



# Public Works

## Staff Report for September 2023

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Report Date : September 30, 2023  
To : Jacque M. Betz, City Administrator  
Copy : Mayor and City Council  
From : Darren Caniparoli, Public Works Director

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### PARKS:

- Trash pick-up in all parks two days a week.
- Park irrigation has been turned off for the season.
- Mowing parks weekly: Irrigated fields are mowed weekly; non-irrigated fields are mowed bi-weekly.
- Detail work within our parks has been a priority. Edging and trimming of flowerbeds, trimming and cutting back plants, which need attention.

While Graffiti continues to be an ongoing issue citywide, parks staff came across this fun artistic expression down at the bridge bulkhead. This location is regularly tagged with far less appealing art but Tigger is a welcome addition to this area, for now anyways!

Fall is here, with that, we have some new, and surprising items that we find being used to make messes in our bathrooms. Pumpkins being exploded inside the bathrooms, makes a huge mess, luckily as of yet the damage has been just the mess but with the explosives being used eventually more costly damage could result.

We continue to see large amounts of drug paraphernalia in our bathrooms, crewmembers have to dispose of these items daily.



Pumpkin explosion @ park bathrooms



Drug paraphernalia in park bathrooms



Drug paraphernalia and garbage removed from our park bathrooms



Crewmember Chris Mott works to make repairs to the boat dock at Meldrum Bar Park. The City maintains the boat ramp, dock and bathroom facility for our boaters who utilize Meldrum Bar Park for access to the waterway.

Did you know the City of Gladstone receives additional funding based on a percentage of funds spent for repairs and ongoing maintenance in the form of a grant from Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB)? Time and cost associated with repairs and ongoing maintenance are tracked over two year spans, which are then reported to the (OSMB) for funding of the Maintenance Assistance Grant Program (MAG).

## STREETS:

Skin patching continues when weather allows, the streets crew is making progress with the long list of areas in town that need attention.



Crews were able to install the flashing beacon in the school zone near Kraxberger Middle School; the original beacon was damaged in a single vehicle accident several months ago.

## FACILITIES:

- Twice a month Facility Inspections continue
- Completed several work orders at City facilities, hanging artwork, signage, bulletin boards, etc.



Public Works staff has worked with multiple vendors to complete a door and blind project at the Gladstone Community Center. The project is complete with the installation of new remote blinds and fire rated doors for the office spaces in the center.



## WATER:

- Read and reported Master Meter reads weekly.
- Change Charts at Webster Pump Station weekly.
- Test Chlorine Residuals at least 2 times per week.
- Routine maintenance for the pump station control panels and auto dialer.
- Routine Water Samples as required.
- Door Hangers and water meter shut offs for non-payment.
- Map updates, utility locates.
- Leak detected at The Sommerset Lodge, Turned out to be an irrigation leak for the complex.
- Water leak repair at 7504/7506 Springhill Dr.





The Water Dept. had what appeared to be a small water leak that turned into a substantial job that included two taps that serve three businesses and one residence. The repair took crews several days to complete with challenges due to the location and other ongoing construction projects in the area.



Crewmember Eric Fanning using the tapping machine to re-tap the water main for the new service lines on Portland Ave. (Pictured right)

## SEWER:

- Utilized the new camera truck to perform CCTV inspection of a troubled sewer line on E. Clarendon St.
- Crews are working on jetting known sewer line hotspots within the city.



Utility Journey Dan Ori, is working to familiarize himself with the new CCTV truck the City recently purchased from WES. This new to us piece of equipment will be a game-changer for the Public Works Dept. and we are excited to get it up and running.



## STORM:

- Finished cleaning stormwater catch basins
- Jetted the troubled storm lines ahead of the rainy season
- Cleaned key storm system manholes
- CCTV performed on a storm line on River rd. @ the Nissan Car lot
- City wide street sweeping performed per schedule.



The Barclay Stormline project is coming up on the end of its maintenance bond period requiring an inspection of the projects main components. Crews jetted, cleaned and CCTV'd the new stormline on Barclay from Portland Ave to Watts Ave.

During the inspection, deficiencies were found. Public Works administration is working to extend the maintenance bond with the contractor until the work can be done to correct the deficiencies that were identified.

## ADMINISTRATION:

- Clackamas River Basin Council conducted an invasive species treatment at Cross Park as part of the Cross Park Restoration Project.
- Worked with Jim Smith Excavating to complete the Oatfield Rd at Hereford St pressure reducing valve replacement.
- Worked with Sisul Engineering to complete Barclay Ave Project as built.
- Working on preparing stormwater MS4 annual report to submit to DEQ.
- Working with North Clackamas Watersheds Council to coordinate May-October temperature monitoring on Rinearson Creek adjacent to the Olsen Wetlands and at Meldrum Bar Park.
- Working with Backflow Management Incorporated (BMI) to complete water system Lead and Copper Rule sampling.
- Working on completing Gladstone's Clackamas County Multi-Jurisdiction Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Addendum.
- Clackamas County Building Permit plan reviews, approvals and release letters.
- Filed the bi-annual Maintenance Assistance Grant Program (MAG) with Oregon State Marine Board.

*“Just one small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day”  
~Dalai Lama*