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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT –JANUARY 2019

January saw two winter storm events that required our crews to salt and plow. The first storm occurred on the 19th and the second hit on the 30th. Prior to each event we prepared all of our trucks and applied salt brine to our major roadways. Both storms were minor events with approximately 4 inches for each storm. After each storm all trucks were cleaned and checked for any damage.

In the beginning of the month we were still collecting the last of the leaves that remained from last year. Leaf machines were cleaned out checked for any maintenance issues. When the ground became frozen we took the time to take the goal posts down at the Northside Complex and move the bleachers.

An auto accident at the Nagy's Landing Trailhead at the tow path resulted in broken split rail fencing and the bench knocked over. These items had to be repaired and rails replaced. When we had good weather we had a crew start to trim trees that were overhanging roadways. When trees are too close to the road and are not trimmed properly they are hazards to our plow trucks, street sweeper and firetrucks. We recently had a strobe light knocked off on of our trucks by a low hanging branch during snow plowing.

With the cold weather this month and the abundant rainfall this season the potholes were forming throughout the township. We had a crew out patching potholes on a regular basis throughout the month.

The Yard Waste Recycle Center had a total of 522 visits for the month.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief of Public Works