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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT – APRIL 2020

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Due to Covid-19 our work schedule was completely modified as noted in the March report. We have continued with alternating shifts of 2 crews to limit contact. Only one worker per truck and maintaining distance to attempt to limit potential exposure.

With the transition to spring we were able to take all of the salt spreaders off the trucks and place them in storage for the summer. April provided several rainstorms that required drains to be cleared. However, the month was more noted for damaging winds. On several occasions we had to deal with trees that had been blown down at many locations. In particular, there were trees down in Housenick Park, the Bike Path and Tow Path that all had to be cleaned up and removed. We also responded to several trees down on roadways. As you can imagine, this work was made a bit more difficult with trying to adhere to the Covid-19 protocol.

Grass cutting soon became the main chore to try to keep up with as the weather improved. The street sweeper began making its slow coverage of the township as well.

The Yard Waste Recycle Center was closed to the public for the month of April.

Respectfully submitted,

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