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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT – DECEMBER 2020

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We continued our leaf collection work during the first 2 weeks of December. Mild weather allowed for the public to continue clean up of their property.

We had another large sinkhole open up along Oakland Road under the power lines just off the white edge line. The sinkhole was encroaching into our paved roadway and also threatening a PPL utility pole. We were lucky to get our emergency contractor on site the same day to begin planning for the repair. There had to be coordination with PPL so that they could secure the pole while the sinkhole was excavated and filled.

We had to suspend leaf collection in the third week of December to prepare for a snowstorm. December 16 and 17 our region got hit with approximately 12 inches of snow. Prior to the storm we had to break down our trucks from leaf collectors and install the salt spreaders and get all of our trucks loaded with salt and ready to go. We applied salt brine to our snow emergency routes prior to the storm. After the storm all of the trucks needed to be cleaned and checked for any needed repairs.

The Yard Waste Recycle Center recorded 188 visits for the month.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief of Public Works