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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2020

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During the month of November we are almost exclusively working on leaf collection as long as the weather permits. This was the case this year and we normally use the 2 weeks prior to the Thanksgiving week to work 10 hour days in order to try to keep up with the heaviest time of year for leaf pickup.

We had two large sinkholes open up in the same week that required our emergency contractor to mobilize for repairs. One was located on Rhine Court in the Vineyards and the other on Rutland Road in the Birchwood Farms area.

November 30 our area was drenched with approximately 2.5 inches of rain in a few hours that resulted in flooding in many areas of the township. While the total rainfall was not equivalent to historic events of the past, it was exacerbated by heavy leaf piles placed in the roadways that washed onto inlets and completely blocked the flow of water.

The Yard Waste Recycle Center recorded 1033 visits for the month.

Respectfully submitted,

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