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Monthly Report to the Town Manager and Town Council May 2022

The paving project on Benton Avenue is progressing smoothly, albeit a little slow due to manpower issues with the contractor. The area north of the elementary school has been milled and shimmed and our crews have re-installed the sewer manhole covers. All the sidewalks have been built and paved. We also decided to overlay the existing sidewalk north of the school. We are presently awaiting dry weather to pave the mainline from Roderick to Clinton Avenue.

Our contractor, Ranger Construction, has returned to complete the sewer replacement on Lee Street. I also had them do a sewer re-connection at the intersection of the Cushman Road and Dunbar Road. They also replaced approximately two hundred feet of sewer main of Beck Street in preparation for paving. They should be done within a week. After that, our crew will look at excavating and rebasing both Lee Street and Beck Street and then paving.

Our generator at the Chaffee Brook Pump Station has been re-installed and appears to be operating well. I am asking KSTD to run the generator weekly so any issues can be detected sooner than later.

Our road salt prices have come in from MDOT's cooperative purchasing agreement. This year's price is \$71.95 per ton. Last year's price was \$50.37 per ton. For our contracted amount of 2000 tons, that represents an increase of \$43,000 over last year. Not sure on the sand price for this fall, but I can assume there will be an increase due to increased fuel prices.

There are two orders on this month's agenda for Public Works. The first is to cover the extra cost for the railroad coverage for the interceptor sewer clearing project. The total cost exceeded the original Council Order. The second is to tentatively approve the Town's share of the building separation project between Johnnys and Orion. More discussion to follow at the meeting.

Lastly on the agenda is a discussion item for Sunset Heights. The engineering portion is nearly complete and with preliminary cost estimates of \$14,000,000 for the complete project, the Council needs to have input on how to stage the project cost wise. That is, how many phases do we want to divide the project into and the cost of each phase.

Respectfully submitted by,
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