

## Administrators Update, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024



July 23rd, we had a major rainfall event that prompted the potential evacuation of Shadowrock park, fortunately the lake levels were low enough that flooding did not occur at the park, however we did have 37 constituent calls about washed-out culverts, plugged culverts and damage to infrastructure such as the walking trail. The crews worked hard restoring the damaged areas.

The area surrounding the Forsyth treatment plant sustained some erosion damage to the extreme amount of water that came down the valley, there was no damage to the plant itself. However, the affected area will need to be

restored to prevent any further erosion. That is a decision item in your packet.

We hosted a training event in corporation with Mo DNR (E.C. Wells) at both city owned treatment plants. This is part of an ongoing training incitive to empower our staff in the public works department to be the best trained, self-confident and knowledgeable individuals that they can be. The



recommendations provided by MO DNR are all being implemented. There will be some larger than normal invoices in the upcoming months as we update and repair some of the equipment at both sewer plants.

Matt and Allen in Public Works are both studying hard for the Class B certificate and should be test ready around the first of September. Both are scheduled for the advanced math class at DNR August 29th. Allen was invited by E.C. Wells to attend an operator class in October.

FEMA training: We are preparing for the install of the new electronic monitoring of the lift stations by preforming site cleanup and GPS locating of the 37 lift stations. As part of the exercise, I'm having the staff categorize the stations by type, holding capacity and emergency power disconnect and generator hook up procedures. This will lead to an exercise where we can simulate a long-term power outage. The city will need to be able to rotate our large portable generator from station to station in a prolonged outage event to prevent any of the lift stations from overflowing during an actual event.



The water tower cleaning and inspection project is underway and nearly finished.

The front office is transitioning to a new cloud-based accounting/ billing program.

HR: We have several positions advertised as open, Budget Officer, Public Works Director, public works laborer, Assistant Fire Chief and as always, we are still looking for qualified patrol officers and volunteer Firefighters.