

City of Cole Camp

Public Works Department

Monthly Report

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Wastewater

One of the refurbished pumps for the Spring Street Lift Station was installed on July 3 and is operating as expected. The second pump has been sent out for rebuilding and is expected to be returned within approximately six to eight weeks.

The lift station is currently operating with two pumps: one older pump and one newly refurbished pump.

Smoke testing remains scheduled for **July 23, 2026**. This testing will assist in identifying potential sources of inflow and infiltration within the collection system.

Upcoming Priorities

- Continue monitoring operation of the Spring Street Lift Station.
- Coordinate the return and installation of the second rebuilt pump.
- Support smoke testing activities scheduled for July 23.
- Maintain routine inspections and preventative maintenance throughout the wastewater system.

Water

The new in-ground yard hydrant has been installed on the island at the four-way intersection for the St. Paul's Church Stand. The installation provides a dedicated water source for the annual event and eliminates the need for temporary water connections.

Staff continues evaluating options for upgrading the City's water meter reading system from the current touch-read technology to a drive-by reading system.

An update will be provided at the August Board meeting outlining the available options, estimated costs, and implementation considerations. The department will also discuss

the potential use of Public Works savings account funds toward the purchase of new drive-by meter sensors.

Upcoming Priorities

- Present drive-by meter reading system options at the August Board meeting.
- Continue evaluating funding options for the meter system upgrade.
- Maintain routine system inspections and infrastructure maintenance.

Streets

The sidewalk improvement project continues to progress. Work remains on schedule, and the department is optimistic the project can be completed within the approved budget.

Depending on the overall project budget and the progress of the water project, asphalt work may be completed this fall.

Upcoming Priorities

- Continue sidewalk construction activities.
- Monitor project expenditures to remain within budget.
- Evaluate scheduling for fall asphalt work as project conditions allow.

Parks

The department is still awaiting final cost estimates for rebuilding the damaged entrance pillars at Butterfield Park. Once the estimates are received, staff will review the available options and provide recommendations to the Board.

Upcoming Priorities

- Receive and review final repair estimates.
- Evaluate repair options and associated costs.
- Present recommendations to the Board once estimates are available.

Respectfully Submitted,

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