



# Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

October 21, 2022

## Department Updates

The **Street Department** has begun **fall mailbox inspections** in preparation for upcoming snow removal operations. Route drivers will check mailboxes for **proper installation and placement** and will **assess the condition** to determine if there is previous damage, repairs, or rotting. **The mailbox and post assembly must be sturdy enough to sustain snow load from routine plowing.** Drivers will leave an inspection form at the door of any homeowner whose mailbox is too close to the road, appears to need extensive repairs, and/or has structural concerns. These letters are to **inform the resident that their mailbox is out of regulation or in disrepair and will not qualify for repairs and/or replacement** if it is damaged during normal snow removal operations.

The **Water Department** assisted the Lockport Heights Sanitary District with a **fire hydrant replacement**. A resident reported that the fire hydrant, located near Farrell Road & White Tail Way, had been leaking. A leaking fire hydrant is not only a nuisance and a waste of water, but it can also render the hydrant ineffective if needed in the event of a fire. We're happy to report that the **new hydrant is working and ready to go!**

The **STP Department** continues to **enhance safety at both treatment plants**. This week, STP staff **repainted** the non-potable water yard hydrants at both plants, as well as the fuel tanks at the Bonnie Brae plant, and **updated their signage** to clearly identify each piece of equipment. STP crews are also painting equipment guards safety yellow to **clearly identify the hazard of moving parts**. This is a crucial safety measure as staff continues to perform routine maintenance on the equipment, which will continue until all equipment has received its scheduled service.



Before



After



Before



After



## Project & Development Updates

- The **Kelvin Grove Rear Yard Water Main Replacement Project** is nearing completion! The final two water services were transferred to the new water main on Thursday, October 20. All rear yard water main has been disconnected and abandoned. Some curb, pavement work, and minor landscaping remain to be completed.

## Upcoming

The City's **annual leaf pick up program** is scheduled to begin next week, and it will run through the first week of December, weather permitting. To take advantage of this program **please rake your leaves into your parkway toward the curb**. To prevent potential flooding issues for you and your neighbors, **do not put leaves in the street**. Please be aware it may take up to two weeks to get to your location. **If you do not want to wait for the City's leaf truck, you also have the option to put the leaves in brown paper bags for Waste Management to pick up on your garbage day (no sticker necessary).**