

PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT

APRIL 2021

SANITATION DIVISION (FTEs – 9)

Residential Service – 140 Moby carts were delivered due to overflow, rental property, replacement, or new ownership. Sanitation supervisor responded to 79 calls regarding residential services and/or questions about bulk/yard debris pick up.

Commercial Service – Service routes continue to be updated based on business needs. 34 required an extra pick-up due to overflow.

Yard & Bulk Item Debris – Bulk items are picked up every Monday throughout town. Yard debris is picked up Tuesday through Friday as scheduled. Items/debris must be curbside by 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day. Reminder: Per Ordinance – leaves must be bagged; limbs can be no longer than four feet in length. Bagged yard debris will be picked up in paper bags only, per SWA restrictions.

Recycling News – 19 carts have been delivered per owner request or overflow per Sanitation. A new shipment of 65-gallon recycling carts, purchased through a DHEC grant, was received in late September. Requests to upsize carts will be filled as supplies allow.

In March, we collected 504.60 tons of solid waste, 59.49 tons of mixed debris, 158.26 tons of yard debris, and 64.66 tons of recyclables. Saturday refuse pickup in the R3 rental area generated approximately 20% more material for the month of April than any of the previous 4 years.

STREETS & DRAINAGE DIVISION (FTEs – 9)

The Beach – On-going/Special Projects:

- Crews continue to inspect and maintain drainage ways throughout town for capacity and function.
- Beach raking (2x) and refuse/recycling services (3x week) are on an enhanced schedule for April.
- Construction of the Dogwood Swash Culvert Bridge continues. The project has experienced delays due to penetration issues into the siltstone layer where the piles must be imbedded.
- Crews are inspecting/repairing sections of damaged sidewalk in various locations.
- Crews have prepared the site for a new 5th Ave South beach restroom. Installation should take place mid-May.
- In April, the Public Works assistant answered 373 incoming calls.
 - 175 of those calls dealt with sanitation questions/concerns; 40 calls dealt with street related issues – street/drainage issues, streetlights, and questions about encroachment permits/driveway inspections, hurricane issues and questions; 48 were internal calls dealing with department and/or personnel issues and/or questions; 12 calls were received for the Public Works Director; 10 calls dealt with Grounds; 88 calls dealt with vendors, miscellaneous questions, wrong departments and/or telemarketers.

GROUNDS DIVISION (FTEs-5)

- Repairs and maintenance are being performed at public restrooms on town properties.
- Crews continue spraying for vegetation on town lakes.
- Crews have begun sprucing up the SCDOT landscaping on Highway 17 for the season.
- Crews have been power washing all playground equipment.

FLEET MAINTENANCE DIVISION (FTE-2)

In April, our mechanics completed 92 repairs on town vehicles and equipment. Repairs included electrical, mechanical, and hydraulic issues as well general use repairs. Bi-weekly fleet tires checks were completed on all Public Works vehicles and/or equipment. 8 vehicles needed tires. “Preventive” and “Scheduled” maintenance (consisting of lube, oil & filter changes, brake inspections, tire rotations and fluid checks) were performed on 21 town vehicles and/or equipment.



Crews install thermoplastic traffic warnings on 16th Ave N.