

Town Manager Report - July 2021

Construction is still ongoing for the storm water project and the entire process is being documented and put on our Diamond Maps program, by the public works department. There have been some interruptions to services, but I am trying to keep those to a minimum. Disrupted services were reported and restored in a timely manner. This is the major project happening in the Town now. I would like to remind residents to stay out of the construction areas. The areas are marked and we want to keep everyone safe. Residents who live near or in the areas affected, please stay on the sidewalks. The contractor has stated the entire project is estimated to be finished by August 30, 2021.

The meter for Well #1 has been replaced and is now working properly.

There were a couple of water line repairs this month. One was at the New Hope Church and another was on Etheleen Court. Both of these repairs were done immediately.

The Town had (2) lift station pumps go out this month. One at the Etheleen Court lift station and pump #2 at the master lift station. Both of these pumps will be replaced and paid for out the utility reserves, which I had implemented, at the start of my tenure and I am so glad the Town now has the reserves available. All the of lift station pumps are about the same age and the public works department is doing their best to maintain all the lift stations and their pumps.

All of the sewer easements in the town limits have been cleared and mowed this month. It has been a job keeping up with all the mowing this month, with all the rain.

During the last week of July, the Florida Department of Health (FDOH) came to the Town Hall again to provide COVID-19 vaccinations to our residents. They will be coming back on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 5:00pm to administer a second dose to the resident who was at the prior event. If anyone else is interested in getting vaccinated, please come to the Town Hall on August 17, 2021 at 5:00pm.

I am also working on preparing the next fiscal year budget for 2021/2022. The front office staff is assisting me with this process in addition to their normal duties.

The historic museum renovation is coming along and should be completed by the end of September.

The Planning & Zoning Commission met in the last week of the month and approved two new projects for the Penney Retirement Community and will present a recommendation to the Town Council tonight. This Commission has also began the process of reviewing the Town's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations for future development.

I was present at all of the scheduled Town meetings for this month. In addition, I completed my required Annual Ethics Training, for this year.

BY: David Cooper
Town Manager