

## September 2019 PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT





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#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

#### Dale Wilson



Dale Wilson grew up on a small farm in Alexandria Kentucky. Dale is married to his lovely wife Tania of 37 years. Dale and Tania have 3 grown children Jeremy, Nikki and David.

Dale's current position with Erlanger Public Works is as Operations Manager where he manages all staff and programs that make this Department the "Heartbeat of the City".

Dale really enjoys when he is surrounded by family whether its at home, on vacation or at church. Dale is very much into his faith. HIs biggest inspiration he says is the bible and he has instilled this into his family. Raising his children to be contributing members to society is his biggest success.

Dale has many hobbies outside of work from gardening woodworking or golfing. He would love one day to travel the U.S.A. and visit the National Parks.

### **PROGRAMS**

#### STREET SWEEPING

The Public Works Department is responsible for sweeping all City owned streets along with various State Routes four (4) times annually. Crews are currently completing 2019's third quarter sweeping routes which includes Dixie Highway and Commonwealth Avenue.

#### **MOWING**



Team Members made 2 complete rounds of mowing throughout the city utilizing 255 total man hours. With the lack of rain, grass cutting has slowed.

### PROGRAMS Leaf Collection

The purpose of leaf pickup program is that it makes the streets safer for children and for Erlanger residents who walk, bike, or drive, with no narrowing of streets due to leaf piles in the roadways; safer travel lanes for all who use the roadways and adjoining walkways. No hazardous leaf piles with hidden rocks, glass, and debris, or protruding sticks and branches. Parking spaces won't be lost because of raked or blown leaf piles in roadways. No leaves blowing back on lawns. Greatly improved drainage during rain storms with fewer catch basins clogged with leaves, reducing flooded gutters and flash-flooded roadways.

The City of Erlanger's Annual Fall Leaf Collection Program is scheduled to begin the week of October 21st, 2019. The program is scheduled to run through the week of December 2nd 2019, and the City will again be divided into four collection zones. The last scheduled date of collection will be December 6th, 2019.

A tentative collection schedule with street listing and collection dates will be made available on the City's website (www.erlangerky.gov). Should you have any questions or need any further information about the leaf collection program, please feel free to call the Erlanger Public Works Department at (859) 727-3893 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday or contact us via email at info@erlangerpw.com.

Please keep in mind that this schedule is the tentative plan. It does not take into consideration the poor weather conditions, equipment breakdowns, or other unforeseeable events that may hamper collection efforts. Therefore, we appreciate all of your support and patience as we try to provide you with the best level of service possible.

However, there may be days when we run ahead of schedule. Should this be the case, we will go ahead and start the next scheduled area. Do not be alarmed, we will return again on the scheduled date.

### PROGRAMS Art In The Park



rt in the Park was Saturday September 21st between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The event included local vendors from crafts to food trucks.



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The Erlanger Public Works team provided support for the event starting with the handing out of public notices to surrounding residents, event signage, park preparation, event set-up, helping vendors get into the park and clean-up. Public Works efforts greatly enhanced this event which was a huge success attracting many area residents along with attendees from all over Northern Kentucky.





### Park Master Planning



The City of Erlanger owns twelve (12) parks located throughout the City. These parks vary in degrees of development with each needing forward thinking and planning. In order to meet City standards and be sustainable the City has set forth an aggressive master planning initiative. The objective is to each year complete a master plan for three (3) of the City's twelve (12) parks. This project is estimated to be complete in a total of four years.

In order to meet the objectives of this exciting master planning initiative the Erlanger Public Works Department has contracted with Viox & Viox for the master planning of Silverlake and Rainbow Parks. Misty Creek Park will be master planned in-house with Public Works staff. As part of the master planning process a public survey has been developed that will gather input from residents and provide direction to the design team. I addition to this survey, your Public Works Department staff conducted three separate "Public Workshops" each being conducted at the specific park. To date, the Public Works team has completed both the Silverlake and Misty Creek Parks workshops. There has been hundreds of residents attend these workshops and the input gathered will be very beneficial moving forward. Furthermore, the residents attending these workshops feel part of the process and are excited to see improvements made.

You can find the park survey on the City's webpage or at: http://www.surveygizmo.com/s5149591/Erlanger-Parks-survey-2019.

Public Workshops dates and locations:

- Silverlake Park September 17th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Misty Creek Park September 21st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in conjunction with Art in the Park
- Rainbow Park October 1st from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Some of the features that have been talked about are better signage, restroom facilities, shelters, adult playgrounds, landscaping, walking paths and water features.





### Sidewalk Improvement Program

2019 / 2020 budget year the Public Works Department is managing sidewalk improvements in Zone 2. Currently crews are working along Crescent Avenue.

Sidewalk improvement work will be ongoing in Zone 2 throughout this budget year.



### Street Improvement Projects

Woodchase Drive, Summerwood Court & Heartwood Lane

The City of Erlanger has contracted with JPS Construction for Woodchase, Summerwood and Heartwood Reconstruction Project that started on September 16th. Improvements include full concrete pavement and sidewalk replacement.

Work in the month of September included pavement, driveway aprons replacements along with news sidewalk work along Woodchase Drive.









### Street Improvement Projects

#### Circleport Road

The City of Erlanger has contracted with TMS Construction for the Circleport Road Reconstruction Project. Improvements include full concrete pavement, new sidewalks (one side), installation of a new city owned bus shelter and a short section of bike path that will align and connect to the future Dolwick bike path grant project.

Work on this project started the last week of September and included pavement replacement along half of the outbound travel lane.

#### Silverlake Avenue - Phase II

- Silverlake Avenue Phase II street improvement project will include total pavement replacement starting at the intersection of Silverlake Avenue and Riggs Road extending along Silverlake Avenue to the point of connect with Phase I pavement (approximately 426 Silverlake Avenue).
- Public Works staff conducted a public workshop in the month of September where residents located on Silverlake Avenue were invited to met with City staff and review drawings, review the scope of the project to see how they could be impacted and to provide staff with input.
- This project is schedule to be bid in October 2019.

## Narrows Road, Sherbourne Drive, Old Turkeyfoot Road, Lakemont Drive and Ashmont Drive this is a resurfacing project.

- Narrows Road, Sherbourne Drive (Richardson to Skye), Old Turkeyfoot Road (City section only), Lakemont Drive and Ashmont Drive project will include asphalt overlay with miscellaneous sidewalk improvements.
- Public Works staff conducted a public workshop in the month of July where all residents located within the vicinity of the planned improvements were invited to met with City staff and review drawings, review the scope of the project to how they could be impacted and to provide staff with input. Due to the large amount of residents being affected by this improvement project this workshop was conducted in council chambers. The workshop provides residents an opportunity to met with City staff, review drawings, discuss the projects scope of work and provide input.
- This project is scheduled to start in the spring of 2020.

#### **Crack Sealing**

- The Department's Crack Sealing program has two primary purposes: To prevent the intrusion of water through pavement cracking allowing water to penetrate the underlying pavement subgrade causing premiture pavemnt failure. Additionally, Crack Sealing program prevent extraneous materials from entering the crack and causing further deterioration as the pavement expands and contracts with temperature changes.
- The City has contracted with Michels Construction to perform all 2019 / 2020
   Crack Sealing. Work is planned for Zone 1 and is scheduled for spring 2020.

#### **TRAINING**

- Public Works staff conducted "Defensive Drivers Training" as regulated by the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC). This training is scheduled annually with additional training being required after any vehicular accident.
- The month of September's "Safety First" training topic was Drivers Training.
   Weekly training topics ranged from seatbelt safety, know your surroundings,
   Get Out And Look (G.O.A.L) and finishing with proper vehicle inspections.
  - The Departments "Safety First" training is a conunal program with daily training sessions. The purpose of this training program is to increase safety awareness thus creating an environment that's "safety first".

#### **UPCOMING TRAINING**

Team Members daily briefings will discuss Leaf Machine Training

### **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

### Anniversary



Joe Thiessen 5 years

### **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

# Happy Birthday



Joe Daugherty 10/13/2019



Kevin D. Quinn 10/7/2019



Brian Ralston 10/24/2019