Public Works Report

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Transportation:

- We have been getting ready for the winter months ahead; salt and sand mixed, sander installed into the truck and tested, shop areas cleaned and equipment put in for winter storage, and the snow gate for the grader will be installed early next week.
- Back alleys have all been graded, and we will be doing 1 more pass on all gravel roads prior to freeze up.
- We have had the street sweeper out almost daily these past few weeks picking up leaves as they fall.
- We have been lowering problematic manhole covers and valve risers in the streets to mitigate contact with the grader.

Utilities:

- Water treatment plant upgrades are very near completion; we are operating on the new system now with only minor parts of the upgrades to be completed... primarily waiting on delivery of components. I would expect our final deficiency walk through with engineers and contractors to take place early December.
- Upon changing one of our river pumps, it became apparent that the roof on the pump shack is not in good condition and will need replacement, I have put out a request to local contractors for cost estimates.

Environmental Health:

- Landfill operations are going as normal according to our permit to operate; our compactor will be sporadically out of service over the next few weeks as we are having the new wheel cleats installed.

General Public Works

- Compost and tree pick ups have been ongoing as scheduled, and will continue for the remainder of the fall months.
- We have continued trimming trees on streets and alleys all around town; focusing on dead growth, overgrowth, and hazardous limbs.