



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT No. 40

October 3, 2008

To Mayor Bruchey and Members of the City Council:

UPCOMING MEETINGS

❖❖ OCTOBER 2008 ❖❖						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 8 am Market In The Square	3	4 5 am Fall Festival @ City Market
5	6	7 4 pm Work Session	8	9	10 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park	11 5 am Fall Festival @ City Market 7 am Community Yard Sale @ Fairgrounds Park Stables 1 pm Harvest Hoedown @ Fairgrounds Park 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park
12	13	14 4 pm Work Session	15	16 8 am Harvest Market In The Square	17 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park	18 5 am Fall Festival @ City Market 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park
19	20	21 4 pm Work Session	22	23	24 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park 7 pm Downtown Ghost Tours	25 5 am Fall Festival @ City Market
26 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park	27 7 pm Haunted Hager House Tours @ City Park	28 7 pm Regular Session	29	30 7 pm Witchcraft @ City Park	31 6 pm - 8 pm City Wide Trick- Or-Treat	

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

1. **VETERANS TRIP.** The City of Hagerstown will host a second trip to the WWII Memorial in Washington D.C. for veterans of WWII who live in Hagerstown and Washington County. This trip will take place on Wednesday, October 22 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. This is a free event for veterans of WWII and is sponsored by the City of Hagerstown, Washington County, McDonalds, Conservit, Inc., and Callas Contractors Inc. For information call 301.739.8577, Ext 183.
2. **HARVEST MART.** The final Market in the Square of the season will be Thursday, October 16 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. This expanded market features fall crafts and flowers, delicious foods, produce, baked goods and much more. Rain date is the following Friday.
3. **HARVEST HOEDOWN.** The Harvest Hoedown will take place on October 11 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fairgrounds Park. This free event features scarecrow making, Sunshine the Clown, pumpkin painting, hayrides, petting zoo, free pumpkins and apples for kids 12 and under, Farmers Market Vendors and entertainment by Country Showcase of America Jamboree and other local groups.
4. **DOWNTOWN GHOST TOURS.** By wagon or on foot explore the ghost stories of Downtown Hagerstown! All tours begin and end at the Washington County Free Library on Friday, October 24. Walking tours leave at 7, 7:30, 8 and 8:30 p.m. and are \$3 for adults and \$1 for kids 6-12. Hayride tours are at 7 p.m., 8 p.m., and 9 p.m. and are \$10 per seat which includes individual boxed lunches from the Gourmet Goat. Reservations and fees are required in advance. Call 301.739.8577, Ext 183.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS TO CITIZENS AND VISITORS**
 - Airing on Channel 6: *Harvest Hoedown* with Junior Mason, Parks Superintendent; Lewie Thomas, Recreation Facilities Manager; Dan Elgin, Horizon Goodwill; Cynthia Perini, Sovereign Bank; Cindy Garland, Antietam Cable Television; J.D. Rinehart, Rinehart Orchards.
 - PSA airing on Channel 6: *Keep Kids Alive, Drive 25 and Pedestrian Safety*
 - Consent Judgement Quarterly Reports are available online at http://www.hagerstownmd.org/Water/waterSewer_index.asp
 - Press releases written and distributed to the media: World War II Veterans Trip; Downtown Ghost Tours.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1. **Sidewalk Snow Removal.** Staff met to prepare for this year's Snow Angel program. Applications will be prepared to send to those who request this service. Deadline for applications has been set for December 12. To be eligible for the program a homeowner must be elderly or physically unable to do the work themselves, have no one on whom they can call and not be able to afford to the cost of having the snow removed.
2. **Neighborhoods 1st**
 - Residents of the Jonathan Street area met on Tuesday, 9/30, and have decided to move forward with their organization of a Neighborhoods 1st Group. Their next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 10/14 at 7:00 PM at Memorial Rec.
 - On 10/1, staff received a call requesting information on Neighborhoods 1st for the Cortland area. We are working on identifying a date and location to hold an informational meeting.
3. **Arts & Entertainment.** The A&E Manager has received a request from the Maryland Theater to have the unit block of S. Potomac Street closed for their last Wind Down Friday of the season on October 31, Halloween. The Theater has been successful in finding sponsors for music and food and filling the courtyard with overflowing attendance on a weekly basis. This request has been forwarded to staff for processing.
4. **Bester Place.** Site engineering drawings are almost completed. Concept plans for the houses are also complete and will be reviewed next week.
5. **Thank You.** We would like to thank Donna Spickler, Eric Deike and Mike Spiker for coordinating this year's Day of Caring activities. The event was a huge success and we thank all the employees who worked hard to complete the projects.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. **Give 'em The Pickle.** Two free customer service seminars entitled "Give'em The Pickle" were held on Monday, September 22 and Monday, September 29. Both sessions were held at the Business for Center and Training located at 14 North Potomac Street and were well attended. Tonya Leary, Principal Consultant of T.S. Leary & Associates, led the seminars and discussed how to apply the four key principles of service, attitude, consistence and teamwork in making their business successful.
2. **Orrstown Bank Ribbon Cutting.** The ribbon cutting for the new branch of Orrstown Bank located on Eastern Boulevard was held on Thursday, October 2, 2008.

ENGINEERING & CODE ADMINISTRATION

1. **Code Administration**
Court cases heard in past week:
 - Joan Rigault found guilty for failure to eliminate chipping/peeling paint at 732-734 West Washington Street and was fined \$200 plus court costs
 - Sarah Beets found guilty of failure to cut tall grass/weeds at 815 Pennsylvania Ave and was fined \$200 plus court costs
 - Biba Hima Gado found guilty of failure to cut tall grass/weeds at 212 Wakefield Road was fined \$200 plus court costs
 - Bill Clopper found guilty of numerous exterior violations at 421 West Franklin Street. All fines suspended pending completion of repairs. If not completed by set dates the City was authorized to abate and bill owner.
Citations written in past week:
 - 71 East Avenue owned by Michael Hines was fined for various code violations totaling \$3,800
 - 151 South Potomac Street owned by Ross Keller was fined \$400 for untagged motor vehicles and sanitation violation.
 - 19-23 West Antietam Street owned by Fulton Gordon III was fined \$200 for failure to remove rubbish on the property.
 - 259-261 South Potomac Street. owned by Wells Fargo Bank was fined \$200 for failure to remove rubbish from the yard.
 - 219 Jefferson Street owned by Angela Deist was fined \$200 for failure to maintain the yard.
2. **Street trees** Contractor will finish planting next week. There were a total of 207 trees planted and the total cost of this contract will be approximately \$72,000. We are currently working on preparing another contract for Mayor and Council to review in November. We have approximately \$80,000 budgeted so we should be able to plant approximately 220 trees if the bids come in about the same as last year.
3. **Alley 3-38** The contractor has started demolition work. Alley 3-38 is an "L" shaped alley that comes off of East Baltimore Street - it is in the block bounded by East Baltimore, East Antietam, South Locust, and South Mulberry Streets. We arranged for parking for residents who cannot access this dead-end alley during construction.
4. **Downsville Road** The Downsville Road sidewalk project is complete.

FIRE DEVELOPMENT

1. **Arson Fire** - Firefighters did an outstanding job in stopping a fire that was well advanced upon their arrival early Tuesday morning. The 1:24 a.m. dispatch to 365 Mill Street found the end unit of a large office complex fully involved in fire and spreading quickly when the first engine arrived on the scene.

An aggressive interior attack and a trench cut of the roof in front of the advancing flames confined fire damage to the office area that housed QCI Behavior Services.

The fire was intentionally set and our fire marshal's have been busy interviewing people including four young males that were seen in the area when the fire was discovered.
2. **You Never Know** - When you're a firefighter and you respond to an apartment fire and see a person standing at a second floor window with smoke all around him, your first job is to rescue him. That's what happened Wednesday at 7:07 p.m. when firefighters responded to 159 South Potomac Street.

Firefighters on the ground yelled at him not to jump while they quickly set up ground ladders to get him out. Other firefighters entered the building and started to the second floor with a hose line. As the ladder was placed in front of the window, the man pushed it away saying he wanted to jump. A struggle took place and the man ended up on the ladder with his head toward the ground. Firefighters from inside then tried to pull him back inside but he continued to fight and resist. After a few minutes he was brought back inside and firefighters had to restrain him until HPD arrived on the scene and took him away.

The investigation revealed that he was trying to commit suicide by setting fire to the mattress and didn't want to be removed. He was charged with first degree arson, second degree malicious burning, reckless endangerment and two counts each of second degree assault and obstructing firefighters.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

1. **MUNIS:** We have completed our 1st Trial Run of the financials portion of the MUNIS implementation successfully. This includes GL, Requisitions, Purchase Orders, and Accounts Payable. We will begin end-user training the week of October 13th continuing through October 30. We are still on target for a production date of Nov. 3. The biggest changes in this phase of the project will be the new Chart of Accounts as well as the process to requisition and pay for services using PO's and invoicing. The end-user trainings will cover these extensively. Initial consultations Phase IB modules, including Treasury Management Inventory, and Fixed Assets were held this past week. The production date for these modules is Feb. 1, 2009. Workstations are being updated with the MUNIS software through the week. All workstations will have the MUNIS sign on before training is begun.

Finally, we had a successful kickoff of Phase II last week, which includes Utility Billing. This phase is not due for production until July 1, 2009, but was started a month early due to requiring more process review and current system (ICS) vendor support to plan for.

2. **NOVELL - MICROSOFT MIGRATION:** We have finally gotten this project back on track, and are in the progress of updating all City workstations to access the new Microsoft environment as well as using the Outlook e-mail system. Margie is creating additional training documentation to help refresh everyone's memory of the software. We hope to be able to pull the plug on Groupwise the week of 10/6 and begin using Outlook exclusively. Please review Lola's email regarding verifying your emails, archives and contacts have moved to Outlook.
3. **IT POWER UPGRADE:** Big thanks to Chester and Delbert for their work in upgrading the power circuitry in the IT DataRoom over the weekend of 10/4.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

1. **Day of Caring** - Approximately 40 volunteers participated in the "Day of Caring" on October 1. Citicorp picked up limbs and debris throughout City Park, First Data stained and mulched at Municipal Stadium and Sunrise Rotary and Valley Mall painted and stained at Fairgrounds Park.
2. **Fairgrounds Park Entrance Building/Gatehouse** - Installation of the German siding on the east side of the Entrance Building will be completed this week. The next step is to make repairs on the west, north and south sides of the building, and clean and paint the entire structure. Six banners were installed on the Mulberry Street side.
3. **Hagerstown Greens at Hamilton Run** - In addition to top-dressing and over seeding the new #5 green, we have constructed a new alternate #5 tee. We now have new alternate tee boxes at #1, #4, #5, #6, and #8. Our goal is to have alternate tee boxes at all nine tees which will permit us to properly maintain tees as needed without stopping play. Alternate tees also provide a different challenge. Grounds maintenance includes removing deadwood and elevating trees throughout the course.
4. **Landscaping** - At City Park and Municipal Stadium, we are planting numerous trees and shrubs.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1. **Zoning Certificates Issued For New Businesses:**
 - 579 Eastern Boulevard, South - Daniel Coons - booth for sales of crafts at "Those Were the Days".
2. **New Development Cases:**

- 325-327 Mitchell Avenue - Bostetter - simplified plat.
3. **Planning Commission:** The Planning Commission discussed the following matters on October 1:
 - Approved modification of parking lot landscaping plan at Younger Toyota.
 - Approved forest conservation plan for CSX's remediation efforts at Valley Park on Wesel Boulevard.
 - Northeast Quadrant of Eastern Boulevard and Diamond Drive - Valley Car Wash - agreed to recommend that the Mayor and Council annex this property and that the proposed zoning is consistent.
 - Almshouse Landmark Designation - gave staff the go-ahead to advertise for a public review meeting on October 22.
 4. **Board of Zoning Appeals:** The Board of Zoning Appeals will consider the following cases on October 15:
 - 1221 Lindsay Lane - Raul Gallego, t/a Gallego Strasma Wines - special exception for a home occupation.
 - 1302 Woodland Way - Bridget Jones Smith, t/a Abrakadoodle - special exception for a home occupation.
 - 1069 Virginia Avenue - Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 2435, t/a Antietam Moose - special exception for a social organization.
 - 542 Salem Avenue - Luis A. Vega Peres - special exception for a home occupation.
 5. **Implementing the 2008 Comprehensive Plan:** The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. on zoning text amendments to add three new zoning districts (Downtown Mixed-use, Neighborhood Mixed-use, and Industrial Mixed-use) and on zoning map amendments for phase one of the comprehensive rezoning. The Downtown Mixed-use district will replace the C3 zoning district. Phase one of the comprehensive rezoning includes an area bounded approximately by Church Street on the north, Burhans and the railroad tracks on the west, Wilson Blvd on the south, and Cannon and Frederick on the east.
 6. **Amending the Comp Plan per H.B. 1141:** This week, we sent out a package of amendments to the 2008 Comprehensive Plan for the 60 day clearinghouse review. These amendments are intended to supplement existing language in the Plan to fully address the requirements in House Bill 1141 for a Growth Element and a Water Resources Element. These amendments do not include anything on stormwater, since we await that analysis and data from the County's upcoming consultant-assisted study. We anticipate holding the Planning Commission's public hearing on December 10th.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service	CDS Arrests	Other Criminal Arrests (Including Warrants)	Parking Tickets	Moving Violations	DUI	Search Warrants Executed
2,160	12	60	481	99	4	0

1. **Burglary (9/18):** At 12:32 a.m., a concerned citizen called HPD to report a suspicious car in the area of Key Avenue. The caller said a male got out of the vehicle, walked toward the area of a vacant house, then returned carrying some large metallic items. Officers located the vehicle and male. In the vehicle they found several lengths of freshly cut copper pipe and a hacksaw, which they confiscated pending further investigation. Sometime after concluding their contact with the male, an officer checking the area where the male had been seen walking, found a vacant, burglarized house from which copper piping had been cut and removed. Officers obtained an arrest warrant for, and later arrested, Christopher Bradley McClung of 11 South Burhans Boulevard. He is charged with 1st degree burglary and numerous related offenses.
2. **Armed Robbery (9/20):** Two victims came to HPD to report a robbery that had occurred at 1 a.m. in a parking lot in the 400 block of North Potomac Street. The male was waiting in his car for the female, and as she was about to get in, they were accosted by four black males, two of whom displayed handguns and demanded the victims money and property. After taking items from the victims, the suspects who were all wearing black hats, black bandanas, black shirts, and black pants, fled the scene on foot.
3. **Handgun Arrest (9/23):** At 5:18 p.m. officers responded to a large fight in the 600 block of Pennsylvania Avenue. Witness reported one of the female participants had displayed a handgun before being taken from the

scene by another person. When officers located the female, identified as Brittany Nicole Howard of 450 North Prospect Street, they searched her and found she was carrying a .380 handgun in her pants pocket. She was arrested for illegally carrying of a handgun.

4. **Drug Distribution Arrests (9/26):** At 8:10 p.m. the Street Crime Unit conducted an undercover operation targeting street level drug dealing in the downtown area. During the operation a confidential informant contacted several males in the area of 103 East Washington Street. One of the males, later identified as Tony Grant of 215 Naples Drive, made a phone call and arranged for a person to deliver marijuana to the informant. The informant then purchased \$50 of marijuana from the male, identified as Justin Lawrence of 837 Mulberry Avenue. After the deal was done detectives moved in at which time Lawrence attempted to run but was quickly taken into custody. Detectives also arrested Tony Grant of 215 Naples Drive, who arranged the deal. Lawrence was charged with distribution of marijuana and related offenses, while Grant was charged with conspiracy to distribute marijuana.
5. **Shots Fired Investigation (9/28):** At 7:16 p.m. officers responded to the 200 block of South Locust Street for a report of shots being fired. The initial investigation indicated that a white male fired approximately five shots from a handgun at a vehicle. No victim or suspect was located.
6. **Stabbing (9/29):** At 3:48 p.m. officers responded to Cortland Manor for an assault where someone had been stabbed. They identified three people with injuries (two juveniles and one adult). Witnesses reported two juvenile males exited a school bus and got into a fight with an adult male who was standing at the stop. Sometime during the fight the juveniles were cut with a knife. All three males received injuries as a result of the altercation. The juveniles were transported to the hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries. The adult male, identified as Dwayne Stacey Ogle-Moore, refused treatment and was taken into custody and released later in the evening. Charges are pending in this case.

PUBLIC WORKS

1. **Safety Meeting:** Staff met with other city departments and Kevin DeHaven for a citywide safety meeting on Tuesday the 23rd. The discussion included HPD's fitness program, updates from each department and confined space training conducted for the sewer department.
2. **Neighborly Assistance:** The Washington County Library held an event on Saturday the 27th and requested the city stage. The stage was delivered to them on Friday. Also, a dump truck, gloves and trash bags were delivered to the neighborhood group in Hagers Crossing for a cleanup. They cannot drive the truck but use it as a dumpster for the debris that is collected.
3. **Sidewalk Repairs:** Work continues on sidewalk repairs around the city due to street tree damage. The work is coordinated with the Engineering Department and their contracted vendor.
4. **LED Install:** Work continues on the installation of LED lights around the city. The current plan is to complete this work in the next budget year (2009/2010). However, staff is looking at replacing the yellow lights after next year and, possibly, changing out the 8" diameter lights to 12" diameter wherever appropriate.
5. **Winter Sweeping Operations:** Street sweeping will continue on permanently posted streets for as long as the weather allows it. Snow in the street obviously prohibits operations. Freezing temperatures prohibit the machines from functioning due to the water used in sweeping operations.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1. **HAGER HOUSE AND STEAM ENGINE 202 UPDATE**
 - Tours: Staff is pleased to announce that the September statistics indicate the total visitation for September 2008 exceeded that of September 2007 by about 300 visitors! Staff booked two future tours, one later this month and one in December for "German Christmas."
 - Hager House Programs and Events: Staff created educational worksheets to be available to students and teachers prior and post tour. The goal is to have these placed on the website in downloadable pdf format in the near future. Much time was devoted this week to prepare for the upcoming "Haunted Hager House Program" including filming a spot on WHAG TV25 to be aired next week.
 - Railroad Museum at City Park: This week staff devoted time to preparing for the upcoming end of the Season Festival to be held at the facility on October 25 and 26. Activities planned include barrel carts, outside and inside railroad displays, a small train ride, a model railroad prize giveaway, railroad coloring

and worksheets for kids, Operation Lifesaver and possibly a railroad themed entertainer.

2. **FAIRGROUNDS PARK**

- Hagerstown Area Pregnancy Center "Walk for Life" - Saturday, October 4th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon
- Antietam Velo Club 2008 Breast Cancer Cyclocross Challenge - Saturday, October 4th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Community Yard Sale - Saturday, October 11th from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society "Light the Night Walk" - Saturday October 18th from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

1. **Problem Areas.** Recent call-outs included:

- Thu. 9/25 - Various (reconnect for non-payment). Time Out: 17.5-18.4
- Fri. 9/26 - Various (reconnect for non-payment). Time Out: 17.4-18.3
 - 45 Elizabeth Street. Total outage; tree trimmers pulled service wires down to two properties. Residents of Summer Street, Lanvale Street, West Washington Street and Madison Avenue were affected by the outage. Attached services, but advised customer an electrician would have to repair service entrance cables and service head. Time Out: 17.6-20.0
- Sat. 9/27 - 757 Frederick Street. Total outage; replaced 6T and 20T fuses. Equipment inspected and service was restored, found bird to be cause of outage. Time Out: 14.7-16.0
 - Various (reconnect for non-payment). Time Out: 19.0-19.6
- Sun. 9/28 - 40 Belivew Avenue. Lights blinking; checked Scada system, found Bulldog #2 flashing. A Phase and B Phase and ground relays showed instantaneous trip twice. Trips confirmed at 8:10 a.m. and 8:20 a.m., cause unknown at this time. Inspected customer's metering and all equipment, found no problem. Checked circuit completely, no problem found. Time Out: 8.5-9.5
- Mon. 9/29 - Various (reconnect for non-payment). Time Out: 17.7-18.2
- Wed. 10/1 - Various (reconnect for non-payment). Time Out: 17.8-18.5

2. **Distribution.** Recent activity included:

- Michael Spiker, Director of Utilities; Paul Hartung, Electric Operations Manager; Paul Schetrompf, Facilities Coordinator; and Michael Walchshouser, HLD Stockroom; participated in the Day of Caring Program.
- Crews repaired leaks around seals in transformers at Mitchell Substation.

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
17	1	2	0

3. **Engineering** Staff worked on the following projects:

- The Electrical Engineer is on the Holiday Decorating Committee. He has been reviewing LED lights for the Christmas tree. The LED lights are energy star rated and have a much longer life span, which will save the cost of replacing the old lights and bulbs year after year.
- The Electrical Engineer completed the design of the electrical facilities for Peachtree Suites along Fridinger Avenue.
- Several new electric service designs, existing electric service relocations, and existing electric service upgrades have been completed.

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
09/25/08	10.71		10.71
09/26/08	10.40		10.40
09/27/08	10.21		10.21
09/28/08	10.26		10.26
09/29/08	10.71		10.71
09/30/08	10.28		10.28
10/01/08	10.36		10.36
Average			10.41

Water Production at RC Willson

- The Willson Plant continues to operate efficiently; the organic load has increased significantly which is typical for this time of the year.
- The instrumentation crew has completed the installation of a wireless river level gauge at Willson.
- The operation and maintenance crews have completed the tree clearing on the inside dam wall at Edgemont. They have also been performing routine pms and lawn maintenance at Willson.

Water Distribution

- This past week crews worked throughout the system performing a variety of customer service duties. The water main is installed on Tammany Manor Drive and will be tested and service changeover complete in a week or two. Also, the water and sewer departments are working on Jonathan St. main replacements. Over 100' of new 16" water line has been installed. The large meter testing and repair program continues to go well and we are planning to install approximately 1200 new radio read meters in the Cross Creek and South Pointe areas. Other areas of operation include overlay, meter reading and new service installation.

Engineering

Reviews:	City	County
<u>Water</u>		
Site Plan		1
Building Permits	5	

- Huntzberry Brothers Contractors has installed 197' of 12" water line on Hager's Crossing Drive. There are no service lines to be installed. Main test passed on 9/24/08 and bacteriological test passed on 9/25/08.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

<u>Date</u>	<u>Flow (mgd)</u>	<u>Rainfall (inches)</u>
Wednesday, September 24, 2008	5.44	0.00
Thursday, September 25, 2008	5.36	0.07
Friday, September 26, 2008	5.52	0.35
Saturday, September 27, 2008	5.79	0.23
Sunday, September 28, 2008	5.74	0.05
Monday, September 29, 2008	5.61	0.00
Tuesday, September 30, 2008	5.46	0.00
Weekly Average/Total	5.56	0.70

Monthly Average/Total	5.77	3.54
Yearly Average/Total	7.56	35.04

- The Wastewater Treatment Plant continues to operate efficiently; all parameters are within MDE compliance specifications.

Activity	Districts	Linear Feet of Main	Feet of Lateral	# of Later Inspections
Closed Circuit TV Inspections	3, 27	5,891	107	7
Flushing	3,11,15,27	8,644		
Point Repairs		# of Repairs	Reason	Linear Feet of Repair
Main & Lateral	8	Jonathan Street	I&I	49

- Collection System crews continue working on the sewer pipe replacement of the Jonathan Street Project.

Customer Attention Request

- 1630 & 1638 Woodlands - Grinder Pump - replaced core
- 1509 & 1511 Kensington – Grinder Pump - replaced core
- 1511 Kensington – Grinder Pump – replaced yoke
- 823 Lanvale – Installed new lateral
- 1317 Outer Drive – Blockage call out – cleaned main line and notified the owner to contact a plumber.

Laboratory

- The Study Plan for bio monitoring and toxic chemical testing of our wastewater stream, as per EPA and MDE requirements prepared by Analytical Laboratory Services, was reviewed and sent on to MDE.

Administration

- Our staff attended a meeting with the State Highway Administration and Hospital consultants' onsite at the proposed force main crossing of Rt. 40 to discuss method of construction.
- Staff met with a representative of the Board of Education and Barbara Ingram School contractors regarding the proposed building proximity to the sewer main.

Reviews:	City	County
Sewer		
Site Plan		1
Simplified Plat	1	
Building Permits	5	
Sewer Permits	1	

Administration

- Staff continues to work with MDE towards receiving funding for Collection System Rehabilitation; it looks as though we will be eligible for a \$2,250,000 loan to go along with the \$800,000 in grant funding. Staff will be developing an RFP for design of these projects.

QUOTES

QUOTES ON CHANGE FROM BRAINYQUOTES.COM

MONDAY. Because things are the way they are, things will not stay the way they are. -- Bertolt Brecht

TUESDAY. You must be the change you wish to see in the world. -- Mohandas Gandhi

WEDNESDAY. It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird: it would be a jolly sight harder for it to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. We must be hatched or go bad. -- C. S. Lewis"

THURSDAY. The world hates change, yet it is the only thing that has brought progress. -- Charles Kettering

FRIDAY. Change alone is eternal, perpetual, immortal. -- Arthur Schopenhauer

SATURDAY. Without change, something sleeps inside us, and seldom awakens. The sleeper must awaken.
-- Frank Herbert

SUNDAY. All changes, even the most longed for, have their melancholy; for what we leave behind us is a part of ourselves; we must die to one life before we can enter another. -- Anatole France

**City of Hagerstown Strategic Plan -
Focus on the Quality of Life in Hagerstown**

Respectfully submitted,

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