



# Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

November 4, 2022

## *Department Updates*

The **Street Department** is staying busy as they continue to **pick up leaves throughout the entire City**. They will continue to make passes through the first week of December, but the amount of time it takes to complete a pass can vary depending on weather and how many leaves have fallen – **there have been tons of piles this week!** We have **two leaf trucks** out tackling all of the piles, with each leaf truck crew consisting of a driver, two people raking leaves, and one person handling the vacuum hose. **Team work makes the dream work!**

The **Water Department** also teamed up to **repair a broken water main valve** in the Kevin Grove subdivision this week. Water main valves are an **essential part of operating the water system** as they are used to open and/or turn off water supply. This upgrade will **vastly improve the water quality and flow, ensuring clean and reliable drinking water for our residents!**

The **STP Department** is preparing for winter by **performing seasonal maintenance service on all plant equipment**. Crews have been changing the oil in the gear boxes of all outside equipment, as well as checking and replacing the heat trace traps on all outside liquid process lines to prevent them from freezing. Heat tracing is an electrical system used to maintain the temperature of pipes, vessels and surfaces, so its reliability is important. **This preventative maintenance will help to ensure trouble-free operation of our wastewater equipment throughout the upcoming winter months.**

## *Project & Development Updates*

- **16<sup>th</sup> St & Madison St Water Main & Roadway Reconstruction Project** - The City of Lockport held a public information open house on Thursday, November 3.
- **2022 Resurfacing Program** - Binder was installed on 151<sup>st</sup> St on Wednesday, November 2. Surface pavement is scheduled for next week, followed by shoulder stone installation and striping.
- **2022 Streetscape Project** - Paver blocks were installed this week on the east and west side of State St; Binder pavement was installed at State St and 9<sup>th</sup> St on Wednesday, 11/2.
- **Veterans Memorial Trail** - The path has been completed from Bruce Rd to 159<sup>th</sup> St.
- **Silo Bend** - Work began on 167<sup>th</sup> St to widen the road and install turn lanes for the subdivision.

## *Upcoming*

- There will be **no electronic recycling** at the Public Works & Engineering facility **Friday, November 11**. City offices will be **closed in observance of Veterans Day**.