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## **OCTOBER 2009 – DEPARTMENT REPORT**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**Street work (38.87%)** included our normal schedule of street sweeping, blading, and brush chipping and we used 1/2 ton cold patch filling potholes on BR-127. Consumers cut approximately 22 trees in city right-of-ways that were diseased and city crews worked with them removing the brush and tree trunks. With the heavy rains and leaves falling, we had to remove leaves from catch basins and storm drains with the Vactor. We also hauled sand to make the salt/sand pile for use this winter; and we finished the restoration work on the MDOT BR-127 curb project.

**Water and sewer work (19.16%)** included our normal schedule of meter reading, repair, maintenance, and shutting the water off for residents leaving Clare for the winter and vacant properties. Other work included washing the sewer on East State so the televising could be completed and the project closed out. We also rebuilt a sanitary sewer main on Schoolcrest that was deteriorating and rebuilt the sanitary sewer manhole at John & Mary. In addition to Mitch Canel & Josh Shuster working midnights for one week to flush hydrants throughout the City, we also had to repair a broken hydrant at the corner of Maple and West Fourth Street. I attended the AWWA (American Water Works Association) meeting in Mt. Pleasant.

**Cemetery work (8.35%)** included one (1) adult burial, two (2) cremation burials, one (1) Catholic opening, and pouring foundations for monuments to be set before winter -- as well as removing the foundation forms and completing the restoration work around the new foundations.

**Miscellaneous work** included lawn restoration on Mary and Dwyer following the completion of new sidewalk installation; working the Clare Public Schools homecoming parade; and we began assembling the ice rink at Shamrock Park.

**DPW work (32.82%)** including our normal schedule of building and equipment maintenance. With all the rain in October, we also spent some extra time cleaning the insides of city trucks and washing the vehicles.

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Attachments: DPW Manhour Report  
Parks Manhour Report  
Fuel Usage Report  
Equipment Usage Report