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DEPARTMENT REPORT

Subject: Monthly Department Report

Department: Solid Waste

Supervisor: Josh Musser

Employees: Josh Musser, Supervisor
James Taylor, Employee

Date: December 17, 2019

A Departmental Overview

The Solid Waste Department is administered by the Solid Waste Supervisor. The Supervisor and staff are responsible for the maintenance and operation of all refuse collection equipment, including minor repair and regular inspection of the garbage truck, and maintenance and operation of the City landfill and the collection and disposal of refuse generated by utility users, collection of scale fees, commercial tipping fees and sales tax at the landfill from the surrounding communities, private contractors and residents who utilize the facility. Department also facilitates the community's participation in island-wide recycling and/or household hazardous waste events. The supervisor is responsible for accurate cash handling and reporting of fuel logs and other duties as assigned including preparing and operating within the respective budgets.

Current Department Activities:

The company that will be replacing the Solid Waste Baler will be here on January 2nd to begin the installation. We are prepared for the install and have gathered the parts and tools that were requested by the company to have on hand. It is estimated that the project should take approximately 4 to 5 days to get the baler operational and run enough garbage through it. They will be training the employees on the new system which is why we have been saving up garbage over the last month.

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With Max Blair out of work the past couple of weeks, the Solid Waste Supervisor has been performing the snow removal and sanding with the City's Sander truck. It was broken down for a few weeks, but we were able to have Tracy's Heavy Equipment Repair replace the brakes and perform general maintenance. The truck broke down again due to issues with the mechanics of the truck. Will be contacting someone to come out and assist in repairs and getting the truck in safe and good operational condition.