

## MAINTENANCE & REPAIR DEPARTMENT

The Maintenance and Repair Department presently consists of nine employees. Six employees on the street crew, one mechanic, a sweeper operator and a superintendent.

Duties of the Maintenance and Repair department are:

- ◆ Repair and reconstruct streets and alleys
- ◆ Asphalt paving
- ◆ Plow and salt city right-of-way during inclement weather
- ◆ Mowing of city right-of-way and city properties
- ◆ Painting of traffic control lines and markings
- ◆ Removal of trees in the city right-of-way
- ◆ Install and maintain traffic signals
- ◆ Install and maintain traffic control and street signs
- ◆ Sweeping of the streets
- ◆ Leaf collection
- ◆ Maintenance of city owned vehicles and equipment
- ◆ Transport and set up the Mobile Sound Stage



***New Nelson Avenue Location of Street Department***

The Street Department spent the first part of 2014 making the necessary modifications and moving into the front part of the old Randall building on S. Nelson Avenue. The move was completed in May. The Street Department now



***Complete Engine Rebuild in New Shop***

has all equipment under roof. In the past, much of the



***New Vehicle Lift***

equipment had to be stored outside at the old facility. The maintenance area is four times as large as the old facility, allowing more vehicles to be worked on at the same time. The new shop includes a vehicle lift which allows more work to be performed and is also safer for the mechanic.

Twenty-one tons of cold mix asphalt was used to make temporary asphalt repairs.

City crews spent 26 days trimming trees prior to the winter snow control season.

Sections of several streets were paved during 2014. The streets that were paved are:

1. Fife Avenue ó from First Federal Bank to Eastside Drive.
2. N. Wall Street ó from Locust Street to Prairie Avenue.
3. New Street ó from Clinton Street to Vine Street.
4. Nunn Avenue ó From Xenia Avenue to the end of the old section.
5. Sugartree Street ó from Lincoln Street to Mulberry Street.
6. Truesdell Street ó from Charles Street to Mulberry Street.
7. Lowes Drive ó from Rombach Avenue to Prairie Road.
8. Davids Drive ó from the old runway to Olinger Circle
9. Olinger Circle ó from Davids Drive west for a distance of 75 feet.

The paving was performed by Roberts Paving in Hillsboro Ohio. The city crews repainted all street markings after the paving.



***Leaf Crew in Action***

Leaf collection was started on November 3 and was completed on December 23. Collections went a lot more quickly this year than last year due to the fact that we had no snow events during the month of December, and the fact that the leaves were disposed of within the city limits. Also new this year, we published a schedule so residents would know when to expect leaf pickup in their area. A total of 537 cubic yards of leaves were collected.

A total of 1,285.67 tons of road salt was purchased for the 2014 season to maintain the streets. Due to the shortage of salt, 600 tons were purchased from Clinton County. The cost of the salt was \$ 55,331.00.

The Street Department spent \$8,857.00 on sign replacement during 2014 to meet the new reflectivity regulations required by the federal government. This replacement program began in 2009 and will continue until 2016.

The pothole patcher was used for 86 days during 2014 to preserve the life of the asphalt on various streets and alleys, using 87 tons of Number 9 stone and 1,355 gallons of emulsion.

Two used trucks and a new truck bed were ordered in the fall of 2013 to replace fifteen-year-old snow plow trucks and these were delivered in January of 2014.

A used fifteen-foot batwing was purchased to mow the right-of-way on the newly annexed Airborne Road as well as other areas of the city.

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