



**PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT**
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Retirement

Kurt Rosenthal will be retiring on Monday September 12, 2022. Kurt started with the city August 3, 2012. He started as a Common Laborer and spent the majority of his career as a Multi Axle Truck Driver. Kurt had a lot of different skills, he was able to run Loader, Dozer, Tractor Backhoe, Garbage Truck, and was a very talented welder. He has made many things that are used daily by the Public Works Department and has repaired pieces of equipment that otherwise may have been scrapped.

Refuse and Recycling

- Garbage Collection 483.86 tons (2021 453.14 tons)
- Recycling Collection 107.16 tons (2021 103.07 tons)

Construction

Cherry Street (Riverview Drive – 1st St North, Smith St (Railroad St – Riverview Drive)

- Finished Site Restoration and seeding
- Project completed

Rosecrans Street (9th Ave – Dead End)

- Project completed

Lyons Park Flood Levee (1681 2nd Ave to Lyon Park)

- Asphalt paving completed
- DOT phase of project completed

18th Ave South (Russel Street – West Grand Ave)

- Project completed

West Jackson Street (West Riverview Expressway – Wisconsin River)

- City portion of phase I completed, phase II estimated to start September 6th

Freemont Street (14th Street – 13th Street)

- Removed Asphalt and Finished Graded to prep for Asphalt
- Backfilled curb and Gutter
- Finished Site Restoration and seeding
- Project completed

9th Ave North (West Grand Ave – Freemont Street)

- Removed pavement, curb and gutter and black dirt from Harrison Street – High Street
- Installed 700' of Sanitary, thirteen service and four manholes
- Installed 270' of Storm, two manholes and nine catch basins

- Installed 750' of Water main and a fire hydrant

17th Ave North (Rosecrans Ave – Jefferson Street)

- Shouldered new pavement with crushed blacktop
- Project completed

Street Maintenance

- Did curb and gutter removals for Curb and Gutter maintenance contractor
- Completed multiple catch basin rebuilds
- Installed asphalt patches throughout the city
- Poured concrete on catch basin repairs and
- Completed site restoration behind curb and gutter repairs and catch basin repairs
- Setup traffic control setups for Expressway Concrete patches
- Chip sealed 141,500 sq yds of city streets. Area chip sealed was from Expressway to Grand Ave, River to 8th Street and 25th Ave South and Gaynor Ave on the Westside
- Swept chips and cleaned up area after asphalt cured
- Provided monthly Brush pickup
- Finished Preparation of Seal Coating Streets
- Hauled Road base for the new pavement on Chestnut Street from 23rd Street South to 32nd Street
- Mowed Street Right of Ways
- Saw Cut asphalt patches
- String Trimmed green areas
- Surface Sealed bike trail from Gaynor Ave to Seneca Road, 16th Street to City Limits along the Expressway
- Assisted with multiple WWLC watermain breaks

Paint and Signs

- Replace Street Marker Signs
- Painted White Centerline dashes on East and West Riverview Expressway
- Painted Yellow Centerline on 17th Ave South, Gaynor Ave, Sth 73, High ST, Wilson ST Reddin Rd, Edgewood Ave, and 5th Ave N
- Painted Crosswalks and Stop bars around Schools. Grove, Woodside, Howe, Immanuel, Mead, Assumption, St. Mary's, St. Vincent, Lincoln St and Birch, Chestnut Street and Lincoln, Pepper and Lincoln, 25th Ave and Gaynor
- Contractor came in and painted Epoxy Arrows at eight different locations
- Contractor painted Epoxy Rail Crossings at three locations
- Continue to work on updating the No Parking Ordinance signs
- Installed and removed signs from the construction projects
- Trimmed tree branches blocking regulatory street signs

Shop and Repairs

- Prepare fleet for chip sealing (install hitches, check tailgates, install pans, check rollers and remove water tanks)
- Return fleet for normal use (remove hitches and pans)
- Assisted with motor replacement in Loader

- Normal Vehicle Services for Public Works fleet, Police and Fire fleet
- Replaced cooling system in Cat Tractor Backhoe
- Repair of AC and Defrosting system in pickup truck