

Engineering Department

Thompson Park Pool

The pool floor and shotcrete for all the pool walls are complete, with entire pool structure protected with thick insulation blankets which will remain protected throughout the winter months. The bathhouse foundation footer and 3' high bathhouse foundation wall are complete and insulated. Atlantic testing has performed all testing for shotcrete compression, structural fill, and concrete for the pool structure and bathhouse. The masons have begun installation of the exterior 8" CMU bathhouse walls under a heated poly tent enclosure in order to maintain the specified temperatures during construction. The roof trusses are being fabricated and are expected to be delivered and installed the 2nd week of January.



Planning Department

National Grid – City Tree Maintenance Partnership

Hazardous tree maintenance efforts at Thompson Park continued on Thursday, December 19, with assistance from National Grid's contracted crew, Nelson Tree, LLC. National Grid's lead forester reached out to staff requesting a staging area for safety training involving a new piece of equipment called, Good Rigging Control System (GRCS). Utilizing the City's updated tree inventory, staff identified a potentially hazardous tree located along a high use path in Thompson Park to be removed as part of this training. Grid's contractor removed a large majority of the tree leaving minimal cleanup for DPW's Buildings and Grounds (B&G) crew to finish up. This coordinated effort between City Planning, Parks & Recreation, DPW and National Grid, reduced costs associated with the removal and reduced risk associated with a potentially hazardous tree in a high use area of Thompson Park. Tree Planting efforts for this area of Thompson Park are currently being drafted for the upcoming Spring Volunteer Tree Planting Project.



Water Department

Water Treatment

As part of a scheduled maintenance for fiscal year 2019/2020, the clear well cleaning and repairs project began Tuesday the 17th. Divers and staff made repairs to two of the six valves located within the clear well tank.

The Water Treatment Plant hosted the City's Safety Committee meeting on Thursday. Interviews for new Operator Trainees were held and at least one candidate has been offered a position, but will not start until the new year.

Water Distribution

Although lead service line replacement is suspended for the winter, the department has been reviewing applications for next year's construction season. Forty-two lead service lines were replaced under the grant program in 2019.

Wastewater Treatment

The City of Watertown was selected to receive NYWEA's (New York Water Environment Association) Beneficial Use of Biosolids Award for their significant efforts and excellence in the effective management of the City's Class B Biosolids. Wastewater Treatment Plant representatives are invited to attend an Awards Luncheon during the 92nd Annual Meeting of the NYWEA in New York City in February of 2020.

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Comptroller's Department

Sales Tax

Sales tax revenue was down \$55,915 or 3.81% compared to last November. In comparison to the original budget projection for the month, sales tax was down \$97,596 or 6.47%. The year-to-date actual receipts are up \$271,686 or 3.27%, while the year-to-date receipts on a budget basis are up \$48,809 or 0.57%. Please note that this month's payment is an estimate from the State and will be reconciled with the payment received in January.

The State withheld \$314,650 from this month's sales tax distribution to the County to cover its \$490,677 of AIM related payments to Jefferson County towns and villages that were initially cut in the State's FY 2020 Budget. Therefore the, the City was shorted \$75,516 to fund the State's AIM payments. An additional \$176,027 (City share = \$42,246) will be withheld from the May 2020 sales tax distribution.

	<u>Actual 2015-16</u>	<u>Actual 2016-17</u>	<u>Actual 2017-18</u>	<u>Actual 2018-19</u>	<u>Actual 2019-20</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>% Inc/(Dec)to Prior Year</u>
July	\$ 1,509,325	\$ 1,536,214	\$ 1,573,554	\$ 1,606,413	\$ 1,763,856	\$ 157,443	9.80%
August	\$ 1,494,788	\$ 1,435,666	\$ 1,498,230	\$ 1,573,047	\$ 1,763,893	\$ 190,846	12.13%
September	\$ 1,683,486	\$ 1,982,777	\$ 1,918,505	\$ 2,226,468	\$ 2,129,882	\$ (96,586)	(4.34%)
October	\$ 1,339,731	\$ 1,295,166	\$ 1,381,534	\$ 1,423,970	\$ 1,499,868	\$ 75,898	5.33%
November	\$ 1,375,619	\$ 1,355,551	\$ 1,435,650	\$ 1,466,279	\$ 1,410,364	\$ (55,915)	(3.81%)
December	\$ 1,351,562	\$ 1,752,250	\$ 1,754,106	\$ 1,718,512	\$ -	\$ -	
January	\$ 1,332,286	\$ 1,363,372	\$ 1,360,442	\$ 1,384,533	\$ -	\$ -	
February	\$ 1,084,467	\$ 1,087,663	\$ 1,163,558	\$ 1,149,846	\$ -	\$ -	
March	\$ 1,426,339	\$ 1,548,314	\$ 1,511,911	\$ 1,420,276	\$ -	\$ -	
April	\$ 1,333,096	\$ 1,313,100	\$ 1,392,815	\$ 1,410,924	\$ -	\$ -	
May	\$ 1,348,173	\$ 1,325,536	\$ 1,383,659	\$ 1,501,095	\$ -	\$ -	
June	<u>\$ 1,789,321</u>	<u>\$ 1,821,198</u>	<u>\$ 2,051,011</u>	<u>\$ 1,864,710</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	
YTD	<u>\$ 17,068,193</u>	<u>\$ 17,816,807</u>	<u>\$ 18,424,974</u>	<u>\$ 18,746,071</u>	<u>\$ 8,567,686</u>	<u>\$ 271,686</u>	<u>3.27%</u>

	<u>Original Budget 2019-20</u>	<u>Actual 2019-20</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>%</u>
July	\$ 1,650,196	\$ 1,763,856	\$ 113,660	6.89%
August	\$ 1,616,330	\$ 1,763,893	\$ 147,563	9.13%
September	\$ 2,279,552	\$ 2,129,882	\$ (149,670)	(6.57%)
October	\$ 1,465,016	\$ 1,499,868	\$ 34,852	2.38%
November	\$ 1,507,960	\$ 1,410,364	\$ (97,596)	(6.47%)
December	\$ 1,763,976	\$ -	\$ -	
January	\$ 1,424,988	\$ -	\$ -	
February	\$ 1,186,780	\$ -	\$ -	
March	\$ 1,461,267	\$ -	\$ -	
April	\$ 1,433,395	\$ -	\$ -	
May	\$ 1,424,101	\$ -	\$ -	
June	<u>\$ 2,101,439</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	
YTD	<u>\$ 19,315,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,567,863</u>	<u>\$ 48,809</u>	<u>0.57%</u>

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Sale of Excess Hydro-Electricity

The City has received the monthly hydro-electricity production and consumption data from National Grid. In comparison to last November, the sale of surplus hydro-electric power on an actual to actual basis was down \$18,025 or 3.15%. In comparison to the budget projection for the month, revenue was up \$63,236 or 12.86%. The year-to-date actual revenue is up \$233,416 or 24.63%, while the year-to-date revenue on a budget basis is up \$309,885 or 35.57%. The hydro-electric facility was planned to be shut down in August and September for planned capital improvements. It was shut down in late October – early November for the installation of the excitation system.

	<u>Actual</u> 2015-16	<u>Actual</u> 2016-17	<u>Actual</u> 2017-18	<u>Actual</u> 2018-19	<u>Actual</u> 2019-20	<u>Variance</u>	<u>%</u> <u>Inc/(Dec)to</u> <u>Prior Year</u>
July	\$ 321,539	\$ 73,815	\$ 644,519	\$ 4,063	\$ 265,466	\$ 261,402	6,433.13%
August	\$ 11,805	\$ 278,611	\$ 308,911	\$ 1,201	\$ 13,330	\$ 12,129	1,009.80%
September	\$ 14,857	\$ 22,118	\$ 129,629	\$ 46,149	\$ 125,102	\$ 78,953	171.08%
October	\$ 260,804	\$ 208,586	\$ 219,082	\$ 323,260	\$ 222,218	(\$101,043)	(31.26%)
November	\$ 393,589	\$ 396,753	\$ 610,656	\$ 572,955	\$ 554,930	(\$ 18,025)	(3.15%)
December	\$ 542,231	\$ 470,259	\$ 332,344	\$ 249,645			
January	\$ 380,018	\$ 481,938	\$ 243,768	\$ 171,405			
February	\$ 440,304	\$ 325,684	\$ 353,929	\$ 311,149			
March	\$ 634,598	\$ 418,328	\$ 587,558	\$ 403,524			
April	\$ 555,833	\$ 688,018	\$ 728,661	\$ 673,362			
May	\$ 275,751	\$ 711,278	\$ 584,892	\$ 809,967			
June	\$ 162,659	\$ 681,514	\$ 59,631	\$ 787,591			
YTD	<u>\$3,993,988</u>	<u>\$4,756,903</u>	<u>\$4,803,579</u>	<u>\$4,354,270</u>	<u>\$1,181,045</u>	<u>\$ 233,416</u>	<u>24.63%</u>

	<u>Original</u> <u>Budget</u> 2019-20	<u>Actual</u> 2019-20	<u>Variance</u>	<u>%</u>
July	\$ 34,564	\$ 265,466	\$ 230,902	668.04%
August	\$ -	\$ 13,330	\$ 13,330	N/A
September	\$ -	\$ 125,102	\$ 125,102	N/A
October	\$ 344,902	\$ 222,218	(\$122,684)	(35.57%)
November	\$ 491,694	\$ 554,930	\$ 63,236	12.86%
December	\$ 419,771			
January	\$ 314,882			
February	\$ 264,381			
March	\$ 439,005			
April	\$ 657,489			
May	\$ 591,362			
June	<u>\$ 338,950</u>			
YTD	<u>3,897,000</u>	<u>\$1,181,045</u>	<u>\$ 309,885</u>	<u>35.57%</u>