

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS

## YEAR END REPORT

At the end of this year I would like to take a few moments and share some of the important accomplishments of the Public Works this year.

The Public Work Department was the recipients of the Sharp Award from the North Carolina Department of Labor. It is important that our people provide the citizens of Dallas quality service in a safe manner. There are only 8 out of 300 Public Works Departments that meet the standards from the North Carolina Department of Labor to qualify for this award.



## STREET DEPARTMENT

Streets went through a comprehensive \$279,000.00 street resurfacing plan. Every neighborhood should see an appearance of the resurfacing in their area.



The town budgets \$15,000.00 for sidewalks repairs each year which equals approximately 320 linear feet of sidewalks replacements in the town. This money is spent on priority basis.



The town applied and received grant funds from CMAQ. (Congestion, mitigating, & air quality) for sidewalk projects from Gaston College entrance to the Gaston County Park, the cost of this project is \$189,696.00. The town will have to provide \$47,600.00 (20%) of the project cost.



### **SOLID WASTE**

Our trash trucks picked up 1,718.77 tons of household garbage this past year.



### **HOUSEHOLD REFUGE**

Our policy of \$10.00 per pickup we have generated \$5870.00 more in revenue for solid waste. On an average we pick up 19.27 tons of refuge monthly when we have the two free months (May & Sept.) our average increase to 49.36 tons.



## YARD WASTE

Collected daily and amounted to 2,296 cubic yards that is turned into mulch that we use on town properties.



## RECYCLING

Our recycling waste has grown in the past year with 3 receptacles and in the next fiscal year, we look to add another receptacle for plastics.



## WATER/SEWER

Distribution expense the completion of \$5300, 000.00 water line replacement project. This has been a 24 month project that consisted of Phase I, II, & III. A Community block development grant (CBDG). We also provide a lateral replace plan to help to help customers with replacement from the meter to the house.



## WATER TREATMENT

The Water Treatment Plant saw significant evaluation and upgrades. Black & Veatch & Engineering Firm came and assessed our operation procedures and equipment. Our Raw water storage Pond was cleaned out and our treatment facility filter was rebuilt. Our plant treated 266,341,200 gallons of drinking water which equals 729,701 gallons per day.



## COLLECTIONS

The collections system along with sewer plant is undergoing an assessment of assets by an engineering firm for the possibility of grants to rehab our sewer lines.



In closing, the Public Works Department will always manage and operate the physical infrastructure that is the foundation of the Town's health safety and welfare while enhancing the quality of life in our community.

Thank you,

Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director