Village of Tuckahoe Department of Public Works 2019 Annual Report

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Our Mission Statement

Our mission statement is to enhance the quality of life for all residents, businesses and those who visit our great Village. This is done through safe, effective, and professional services provided by skilled and dedicated individuals who pride themselves as the Tuckahoe Department of Public Works family.

Defining Public Works

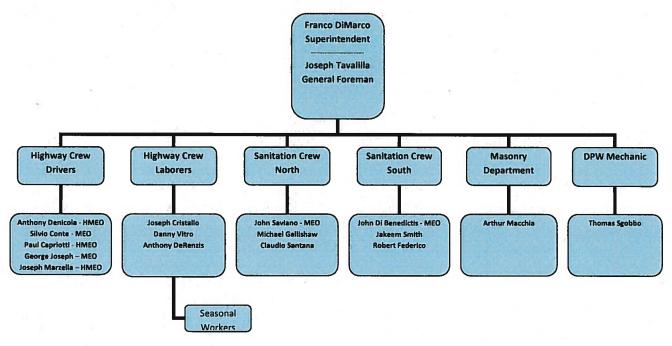
When it comes to public works, one size definitely does not fit all, so defining the term becomes problematic. Some of the physical attributes include, but not limited to, are snow removal, sanitation and recycling, masonry, electrical, maintaining our vast underground and overhead infrastructure, paving roads, street sweeping, storm preparedness, first responders, and so much more. Because of the multi-faceted, ever-evolving and sustainable nature of public works, we may never arrive at a final definition, but for now, the following is the most appropriate definition of Public Works:

Public works is the combination of physical assets, management practices, policies, and professional personnel necessary for government to provide and sustain structures and services essential to the welfare and acceptable quality of life for its citizens, businesses and those who visit.

Superintendent of Public Works Franco DiMarco

I. DPW Overview and Organizational Chart

- The Department of Public Works is responsible for maintaining 14 miles of open streets and right-of-way including paving & curbs, street lights, parking lots, village sidewalks, vegetated and grass areas, basins, culverts, storm and sewer systems.
- The Department of Public Works consists of the following staff that are broken up into various classifications and departments:



(MEO) – Motor Equipment Operator (Class B commercial driver's license) (HMEO) – Heavy Motor Equipment Operator (Class A commercial driver's license)

- Maintains vehicle and equipment fleet: 30 vehicles & equipment
- Provides supervision, management labor and seasonal help for public works staff of 18-20 employees
- Provides refuse collection to over 6700 residents & businesses
- Collects household refuse, recyclables, yard waste & Leaves, bulk, metals, e-waste, furniture, and textiles
- Provides snow and ice control
- Maintains Village parks, playgrounds, parking lots, and grassy strips and sidewalks
- Provides labor for annual planting & maintenance in open spaces/parks including hanging baskets of flowers throughout the village
- The issuance and inspections of street opening permits
- Provides planting and maintenance of public trees
- Implements and updates of all GPS/GIS mapping of village infrastructure
- Implementation and update of all GPS/GIS mapping of tree inventory
- Coordinates village trolley schedule and activities
- Provides education and outreach of community and municipal services

- Office administrative functions
- Maintaining Village right-of-way
- Maintaining DPW & Village facilities

II. Street Right-of-Way Maintenance

Regular Services

- Issued at total of 51 Street and Sidewalk Permits
- Responded to 275 Dig Safe Notification calls (Code 753) from Underground Utilities
 Protection Organization for DPW to mark out all underground utilities
- Snow Removal DPW maintained 4.8" inches of snow fall in the 2018-2019 Winter season
- Street light repair & LED conversions
- Emergency Sewer calls totaling 16
- Traffic light repairs
- Rebuild a total of 26 storm-water basin
- Planting new trees 136 trees between 2"- 4" inch DBH
- Tree & stump removal
- Pothole repairs
- Trolley Services
- Maintain flag poles
- Pruning and care of all Village trees
- Watering of all flowers and trees
- Street sweeping services daily
- Inspect and repair all above and below ground infrastructure, parks, street, & sidewalks

Emergency Services

No Emergency Weather Conditions in 2019

Curb-Side Leaf Pickup

During October 15th – December 1st (Extended for 2 additional weeks in 2019) Crews and equipment consist of the following;

- 2 -Dump Trucks & 2-Leaf machines
- 2-HMEO drivers (Heavy Machine Equipment Operator)
- 2- Laborers
- 2-Seasonal

III. Parks, Parking Lots and Strips Maintained by DPW

The following locations are maintained by the Department of Public Works annually. Some of the maintenance functions of the Department of Public Works include, but are not limited to:

- Cutting and maintaining grass areas
- Planting and maintaining trees, flowers and shrubs
- Clearing and cleaning public sidewalks and parking lots
- Plowing, salting and removing of snow & ice
- Inspect and repair playground equipment
- Maintain basketball & tennis court
- Installation and maintenance of street lighting and traffic controls
- Trash & recyclable containers throughout Village streets & parks
- Clearing of litter

Parks & Municipal Buildings

- Circuit Park
- Community Center
- DPW Building
- Fisher Park
- Garrett Park
- Library
- Main Street Park
- Quarry Park @ Young Place

- Sylvan Avenue Park
- Tara Park
- Triangle @ Armourvilla
- Triangle @ Circuit
- Washington Street Park (Playground)
- Village Hall
- Winslow Circle
- Winterhill Monument Park

Village Vegetated Areas & Grass Strips

- Circuit Avenue (corner along fence)
- Consulate Drive (along wall & island)
- Dante Avenue exterior (sidewalk)
- Elm Street (along river)
- Fisher Avenue (corner) @ Oakland
 - Avenue
- Fisher Avenue (new corner) @
 - Marbledale Road
- Fisher Avenue (parking lot)
- Harrison Street
- Jackson Avenue
- Lincoln Avenue (by new wooden fence)

- Main Street (Westchester funeral home to Winterhill Monument)
- Midland Avenue (Westchester funeral home to Bronxville border)
- Midland place
- North Columbus Avenue (parking lot)
- Oak Avenue (parking lot)
- Pleasant Place (behind church)
- Railroad Avenue (along track)
- South Columbus Avenue (both sides)
- Young Place (along quarry fence)

Village Islands & Extensions

- Crestwood Plaza
- Dante Avenue extension (both sides)
- Marbledale Road @ Lincoln Ave
- Route 22 @ Winterhill Road

- Summit Avenue
- Depot Square
- Sylvan @ Lincoln

Village Dead Ends

- Alpine Place
- River Street
- Bronx Street
- South High Street

- Underhill Street
- Washington Street

Parking Lots

- Cameron Place
- Community Center
- Consulate Drive
- Crestwood Plaza
- Depot Square
- Fisher Avenue
- Library
- Oak Avenue (upper & lower)

- Main Street
- North Columbus
- North Columbus Avenue
- Thompson Street
- Underhill Street
- Upper & Lower Lake Avenue
- Van Duzen Place
- Village Hall

<u>Sidewalks</u>

- Cameron (parking lot)
- Circuit & Pleasant (park)
- Columbus Avenue (Library & Community Center)
- Consulate Drive
- Crawford Drive (bunny path)
- Crestwood Station
- Dante Avenue extension (both sides)
- Depot Square
- DPW yard
- Fisher Avenue & Marbledale (park & quarry)
- Fisher Avenue (corner of Oakland Avenue)
- Garrett Park

- Lake Avenue (parking lot)
- Lincoln Avenue (quarry fence)
- Main Street
- Main Street (bridge)
- Main Street (Village Hall)
- North Columbus Avenue (parking lot)
- Oak Avenue (parking lot)
- Pleasant Avenue (across from church)
- Thompson Street (parking lot)
- Underhill & Columbus (parking lot)
- Underhill Road (Village Hall)
- Village Hall
- Wallace Street (Triangle Park)
- Fisher Ave (parking lot)

IV. Masonry Department

The Masonry Department consists of one mason and assistant. This department is used for various in-house projects as needed and required.

- Implementation of new masonry project
- Installation and repairs of curbs & sidewalks
- Installation and repairs of retaining walls
- Storm-water catch basin cleanout, repairs & rebuilding
- Rebuilding sewer & storm-water lines
- Road repair and replacement
- Infrastructure maintenance & repairs
- Demolition work and excavation

V. Various DPW Projects

Each year there are projects that are taken on and completed by the men of DPW that typically would go out to bid and completed by other various contractors. Each one of these projects has a **Cost Benefit Factor (CBF, Savings)** to the taxpayers of Tuckahoe.

- Columbus Avenue tree planting and walkway project (CBF \$110,000)
- Supply and installation of 6 additional Decorative Street Light Fixtures (CBF of \$36,000)
- Rebuilding 26 Stormwater Catch Basins throughout the Village (CBF \$117,000)
- Installation of 52 LED street light conversion fixtures (CBF of \$28,000)
- Installation of a Rapid Flashing Beacon Crosswalk System on Columbus Ave (CBF of \$24,000)

Projects throughout the Village

- Christmas decorations throughout the village
- Planting of new trees and shrubs annually
- Park inspections and repairs to playground equipment
- Underground and overhead utilities, roads and sidewalk repairs
- Paving of Jefferson Place, Jackson Ave, Alpine Place, Lincoln, Oak Ave, Lower Oak Ave Parking Lot, Alpine Place, and Crescent Place.
- Annual Village planting of hanging baskets & flowers in conjunction with the Beautification
 Committee

Sidewalks, Curbs & Steps Repaired

Various sidewalk repairs throughout village

Annual Festivals & Events

DPW's involvement with annual festivals and events:

- DPW Annual Open House Event
- DPW Annual ECAP Christmas Toy Drive
- DPW Supports Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Tuckahoe Road Race

- 4th of July events
- Columbus Day Festival
- Winter Fest
- Arbor Day
- Parades
- Easter Egg Hunt

VI. Sanitation and Recycling

DPW is responsible to provide refuse and recycling collection services to approximately 6,700 residents and businesses within the village. Refuse from businesses collected by DPW generated revenue in the amount of approximately \$100,000.00 annually. The following sanitation and recycling totals were collected in 2019:

- Household Waste 2,612 tons
- Commingled Containers- 241 tons
- Commingled Paper 445 tons
- Yard Waste 900 tons
- Metals 65tons
- E-waste 18 tons
- Introduction of a Food Scrap Recycling Program (Food Scrap voluntarily delivered to DPW)

VII. Snow and Ice Control

The Department of Public Works provided snow removal and ice control to all Village streets, parking lots, sidewalks and paved areas associated with municipal buildings and properties.

- DPW maintained 4.8" inches of snow and icy conditions during the 2018-2019 Winter Season
- Used approximately 210 tons of salt
- Used approximately 1000 gallons of Brine (Liquid Calcium)
- Used approximately 200 pounds of calcium chloride pellets

VIII. **DPW Vehicle Fleet**

Master Mechanic

Our Master Mechanic maintains the entire Department of Public Works & Police Department fleet & equipment.

DPW Fleet consists of the following trucks and machinery:

- 1997 John Deere Backhoe
- 2001 Dodge 3500 Dump / Plow
- 2001 Mack 25 yard Sanitation Truck (Spare Truck)
- 2002 Chevrolet Aerial Truck
- 2003 Dodge 2500 4dr pickup/ plow
- 2005 John Deere 624J Loader
- 2006 Chevrolet1500 Foreman's Truck
- 2006 Ford F250SD Pickup/Plow
- 2006 International 7500 Plow/Sand/Dump
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- 2006 American Road 17 yard leaf collector
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- 2007 Falcon 2 ton asphalt reclaimer

- 2010 Ford F350SD Plow. Sand Dump
- 2010 Ford E450 Mason Box Truck
- 2010 Ford F350SD Plow. Sand Dump
- 2010 Ford E450 Mason Box Truck
- 2011 International Dura Star 4300 Dump Truck
- 2011 Freightliner Trolley
- 2012 Ford Rack Body
- 2013 Ford Explorer
- 2013 Bobcat Skid steer \$250
- 2014 Tymco Sweeper
- 2014 Ford 4dr Rack body with tail gate lift
- 2015 Mack 25 yard Sanitation Truck
- 2017 Ford F250 pickup / plow
- 2018 Mack 25 yard Sanitation Truck
- 2019 Ford F250 pickup / plow
- 2019 Freightliner 6 wheel dump truck

IX. Grants & Assistance

- New York State Extreme Winter Recovery Appropriation (\$13,033)
- New York State Department of Transportation CHIPS reimbursement (\$71,298)
- Pave New York Appropriation (\$16,274)
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Grant for Recycling Outreach (\$1,900)

X. Awards

- Proclamation from the Office of the Westchester County Executives for Green and Sustainable Initiatives
- Proclamation from the County of Westchester Board of Legislators in recognition of Tuckahoe DPW's environmental accomplishments
- New York State Citation in recognition of Tuckahoe DPW's environmental initiatives

Eastchester Green Medallion Award in recognition for Tuckahoe's DPW environmental initiatives

XI. Education and Public Outreach

- Third Annual Get Acquainted With Your DPW Open House Day
- Arbor Day involvement with Cottle Elementary School, Immaculate Conception
 School, and Eastchester Community Action Program (ECAP).
- Lectures at various locations on the implementation and development of the Village Tree Ordinance, Master Tree Plan, Recycling, Sustainable Initiatives, and Food Scrap Recycling Program.
- Involvement with the Tree Committee
- Involvement with the Environmental Committee
- Department of Public Works Educational projects:
 - Rain Garden
 - Rain water harvesting for irrigation of DPW shrubs
 - Bio-Swale and vegetation at various locations
 - Installation of pervious pavement
 - Vehicle charging stations
 - Installation of Vortex Hydrodynamic Storm-water Separators at various locations within the Village
 - Native Planting Garden at the Fisher Ave Park