



## Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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### *Street Report For December 2011*

Winter is officially here, but you certainly wouldn't know it from the unseasonable weather we have been having. I must say that God has been very good to us in our first full year of doing our own snow plowing.

Because of this, we have been able to do dry runs and one live run to test our routes and find additional troublespots. These spots have been marked with reflectors, etc. Please do not remove these reflectors and please help by watching and reporting where they have been removed. Many hours have been spent preparing our trucks, drivers, equipment and routes for when the snow really falls.

We will continue to salt as needed and will continue to do practice runs with small accumulations, etc. I said this back in November but will restate it again: I realize that there are different ways to plow and different ideas on how it should be done, but we are drawing from the knowledge of experienced drivers. I hope to have the cooperation of all residents for helping make this transition as easy as possible and will do our best accomodate special requests. The best way to assist us is by removing, if possible, any cars parked along the edge of the road during times when we are clearing the roads.

We are working to finish replacing all regulatory signs with the new MUTCD Federal Standard signs. All stop signs have been replaced and most of the weight limit signs have been replaced or implemented. If you have a business in town and will be operating vehicle(s) above the posted Village weight limits, then you must complete, yearly, a free permit to exceed posted Village weight limit. This permit application can be gotten from the Village website or Village Hall and returned to the Village Hall to my attention.

Also, we will be changing the speed limit signs over the next month on the west side of town, at the request/suggestion of our police chief. Mallard Point and Main Street will see the posted speed limit reduced to 25 mph per ordinance Chapter 8 Article IV Section 4. These speed limit signs will have red flags on them to help draw attention to where these changes have been implemented.

Finally, the Village Board approved the purchase of a tractor and loader for the Streets Department. This is another big step forward in bringing all our Village maintenance back inhouse and provide further long-run savings to our Village. To date, we have saved money by using inter-governmental agreements, part-time employees, volunteers, snow plowing, salting, chipping and providing resources for mowing.

#### **Financial High-Level Plan for FY2011 Street Funds as of 12/31/2011:**

<b>Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Fund</b>			<b>Motor Fuel Tax Fund</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
FY2010 Ending Balance	\$8,207.17	\$8,207.17	FY2010 Ending Balance	\$17,210.99	\$17,210.99
RB Tax & GF Repayment	\$22,532.92	\$26,484.65	MFT Revenue	\$20,348.55	\$25,426.00
<b>Total Revenue for Expenditure</b>	<b>\$30,740.09</b>	<b>\$34,691.82</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$37,559.84</b>	<b>\$42,656.99</b>
Road and Bridge Expenses	\$15,640.56	\$34,220.00	MFT Expenses	\$32,434.74	\$36,996.00
<b>Net Income(Loss)</b>	<b>\$6,892.36</b>	<b>\$471.82</b>	<b>Net Income(Loss)</b>	<b>\$5,125.10</b>	<b>\$5,660.99</b>
<b>Percent of budget</b>	<b>45.71%</b>		<b>Percent of budget</b>	<b>87.67%</b>	
<b>SAS Account Balance</b>	<b>\$14,150.68</b>		<b>MFT Account Balance</b>	<b>\$5,126.55</b>	

Please call me at (309) 830-7374 or email me at [mike.james@mchsi.com](mailto:mike.james@mchsi.com) to discuss your ANY of your concerns.

In your service,

Mike James - Village of Downs Trustee - Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks