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Weekly Report to Commissioners

Department Reports on Non-Routine Activities

Roads and Bridges

- A sand seal is being scheduled for Diamond Road; the paved portion of the county road through Narka. This will be our first sealing project for the year since we are beginning to see the price of oil come down a bit. We have prepared a proposal for material costs to patch and seal two City Streets in Narka. The cost for materials will be approx. $8,700 for a sand seal or $11,500 for a chip seal. Labor, equipment and fuel costs will be donated by the County.
- Asphalt repairs have been made to 10 Road northwest of Republic & 220 Road between US36 and Munden. We will be working on Fir Road for the next week, beginning at the Jewell County Line and moving east to US81. This may take a week or more. We will then move to 90 Road north of Scandia, 100 Road south of Scandia and 260 Road south of Cuba.
- The Department is considering the replacement of bridge Q-4.1 without waiting for State or Federal assistance. This bridge is on Queen Road, 1 mile east of Courtland. We are preparing estimates and will present this to the Commission within 60 days.
- The recycling trailer that we ordered for the City of Belleville may be ready for pick-up and delivery to the city within the next few days.
- We have two employees in the pre-employment process; one is seeking to fill a Truck Driver position and the other, an Operator I position. We still have an opening for a Motor Grader Operator.

Noxious Weeds

- Thistles are in abundance this year. Under the **Kansas Noxious Weed Law** (K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq.), **any person who owns or supervises land in Kansas has a legal duty to control and eradicate all plants declared noxious weeds** on that land. Some property owners are receiving verbal warnings for noncompliance. Please contact The County's Weed Supervisor, David Ball for more information, advice on how to eradicate noxious weeds on your property or receive a voucher for 25% off the retail price of chemical purchases for the eradication of noxious weeds. Mobile:785-955-7023 noxiousweed@republiccounty.org

Community Concerns

ID	Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
Administration			
132	170 Road .0-.8 mile south of US-36; road & drainage improvements are needed.	Investigating solutions and impacts on adjacent properties	Open
45	Norway Lane; drainage improvements are needed.	KDOT is preparing a scope of work to improve KS-148 that passes through the community of Norway. This should significantly Improve drainage in the area. We have requested an update from the Area Engineer with KDOT	Open
Construction			
136	Queen Road .75 mile east of 30 Road on the north side; the Ditch needs cleaned of Brush and trees for .25 mile to 40 Road.		Open
137	150 Road .17 mile north of US-36, on the west side of the road; a driveway needs improved.	Extend culvert 10ft on the south side, regrade to remove eyebrow at the entrance.	Open
138	Fir Road .67 mile east of 220 Road; a culvert under the road needs replaced.	A 36"x40' CMP needs replaced	Open
139	180 Road and Marble Road intersection; a sight obstruction was reported on the NW corner of the intersection.	Investigating	Open
153	Elm Road .51 miles east of 230 Road; A crossroad culvert needs replaced.	A 36"x40' CMP is rusted out and needs replaced.	Open
155	King Road .25 miles east of 190 Road on the north side; Culvert is plugged with corn stalks.	Investigating	Open
156	Shady Road .25 miles west of 290 Road on the south side; Landowner requesting trees and brush be removed for new fence installation.	Landowner requested the county wait until mid-July to perform the work. All trees and old fence will be pushed into a pile on the landowners' property, and he will take care of it.	Open
157	Cedar Road .29 miles west of 240 Road; Crossroad culvert needs replaced.	North end of the Crossroad culvert is crushed, and the bottom is rusted out. Replace with 48"x40' CMP	Open
159	230 Road .5 miles south of Queen Road; Possible damaged crossroad culvert.	Investigating	Open
161	Queen Road .2 miles west of 220 Road; a Crossroad culvert needs replaced.	Culvert is rusted out and need replaced with a 36"x40' CMP	Open
162	Granite Road .25 miles east of 130 Road a crossroad culvert is reported to be damaged.	Investigating	Open
163	Fir Road .15 miles west of 240 Road; a Box Culvert needs replaced.	Investigating prices on a Train Car.	Open
164	Birch Road .37 miles west of 100 Road; Landowner has requested crossroad culvert be replaced.	Investigating	New
165	30 Road .25 miles south of Granite Road on the west side; Landowner requesting Trees and Brush be removed from right of way to improve line of sight.	Investigating	New
52	70 Road between US36 and Queen Road; Drainage improvements are needed on both sides of the Road	60% Completed overall. Drainage improvements will continue after harvest.	Open
Maintenance			
146	160 Road .75 miles north of Diamond Road on the west side; Ditch needs cleaned.	Landowner requesting the ditch be cleaned for .25 miles to install new fence.	Open
154	Lincoln Road .4 miles east of 170 Road on the north side; Landowner is requesting ditch be cleaned.	(Investigating) Landowner states excess dirt or silt can be wasted in his field if it can be completed before he plants.	Open

Community Concerns, *continued*

ID	Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
160	20 Road .75 mile north of US. 36 hwy on the east side of the road; Landowner requesting ditch be cleaned out.	Investigating	Open
50	30 Road improvements are needed to restore the crown in the roadway between Highway 36 and Fir Road.	4 miles have been completed.	Open
53	60 Road between Elm and Ash Roads needs the shoulders pulled and fortified with rock and econo-base then finished with gravel.	2 miles have been completed.	Open

Upcoming Events

1. Annual Report on High Banks Wind Energy/NextEra Agreement compliance issues.
2. Right-of-Way vacations for a portion of Seapo Trail in Section 21 of Grant Township and for the SW corner of Section 35 in Liberty Township (old Marble/US81 intersection ROW) are being prepared for Commission consideration.