

Town of Pittsboro
Status of Projects and Other News
December 9, 2013

Park Street/Thompson Street Storm Water System Improvements

UPDATE: Storm water control in the swales along parts of Park Street (generally between Hillcrest Drive and Circle Drive) and Thompson Street (generally between Chatham Forest Drive and Fire Tower Road) have been challenging during high-energy rainstorms. Staff has met with the contractor to establish proper storm water control measures. As a result of this meeting, the contract price may have been reduced by approximately \$5,233 by looking at alternatives to the original design. For example culvert will be used on Thompson Street in front of the private residence rather than more costly intensive grading and restoration. Contract documents are signed and Staff is setting a start date with the contractor. The concrete subcontractor is scheduled to begin work on the headwall at Thompson Street in the next two (2) weeks with completion expected to take three days. Foushee Grading, LLC – the general contractor – will begin within two (2) weeks on Thompson Street with culvert work. Foushee will begin on Park Drive following completion of Thompson Street improvements.

PROJECT: Pavement Condition Survey

UPDATE: US Infrastructure of North Carolina is scheduled to provide a rating of street conditions of Town streets on December 18, 2013. They will forward a report by January 2, 2013. The report will be helpful to prioritize street maintenance and should be a useful part of our upcoming strategic planning and budgeting process.

PROJECT: Soil Erosion/Sedimentation and Storm Water Ordinances for New Development

UPDATE: Language has been developed for the soil erosion ordinance and is being reviewed by Chatham County Staff.

PROJECT: Annual Town Audit

UPDATE: The auditors will be making a presentation of the audit on December 9, 2013. They will be making a few suggestions to improve financial processes.

PROJECT: Waste Water Treatment Plant - Generator Replacement Project

UPDATE: Staff has ordered the generator and Shuler, the low bidder, will begin by building the concrete pad at the WWTP in the next couple weeks. The electrical transfer switch will arrive by the end of December after receiving some upgrades; within two (2) months the generator should arrive. The anticipated date for completion is mid-February.

PROJECT: East Street Sidewalk Extension

UPDATE: Summit is surveying the area in preparation for design work. Once completed, Staff will complete designs by the end February and develop a final cost estimate. Following that, NCDOT will review and provide appropriate permitting. Construction could begin by April/May 2014.

PROJECT: Energy Audit at Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP)

UPDATE: Waste Reduction Partners (WRP) completed an audit of WTP and WWTP facilities on August 27. There is no cost to the Town for this service because it is funded by the State. WRP is looking at electric usage, water efficiencies (e.g. “non-revenue water”), water loss and other possible system improvements. WRP will submit the report to Town Staff for review by early November. The WWTP report arrived on October 11 was reviewed by Town Staff and will be included in the December 9, 2013 Board Agenda packet as an FYI. The WTP report will be included as an FYI on January 13, 2014.

PROJECT: Haw River Raw Water Intake

UPDATE: The Town received a letter from DENR stating that the maximum withdraw capacity could be 8.91 MGD. However, the Town may not need this amount from the Haw River exclusively.

PROJECT: Waste Water Treatment Plant Capacity Expansion

UPDATE: Staff received prepared some information on a process to formally request a WWTP discharge capacity increase from .75 MGD to 1.249. The information was included in the 11/25/13 agenda packet as an FYI and should be included as a decision item for January 13, 2013.