

Public Works

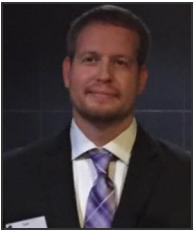


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PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS:

- 2015 Street Resurfacing Projects - June 2015
- 2015 Street Rejuvenation Project
- E. Howry Ave & S. Alabama Ave Project
- Utility Parking Lot Projects - June 2015
- Educate the Public Day @ Library - June 27, 2015
9am - 12pm



C. Heath Frederick
Public Work Director

It is my pleasure to serve as the Director of Public Works for the City of DeLand. I am privileged to work with such qualified and dedicated employees who deliver quality municipal services, projects, and programs to benefit our community. We take pride in being a part of the community we serve.

Some areas of focus for the second quarter of the year are:

- To remain competitive in our services and excel in quality, we will continue to provide efficient, productive, and effective services.
- To gain and hold our customer's respect, and honor our obligations by reaching out to our customers through education, solicitation of input, responsive feedback, and understanding customer's need.
- To lead proactively by seeking innovative solutions.

- To treat our employees as our greatest resource and share the Department's success with them.

I believe that these areas are important to the continued progress of the Public Works Department.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. We, at the Public Works Department, take pride in the service we provide to our residents and neighbors to help make this City a very special place to live and work.

Keep up the good work!



From Left to Right:
Christopher Sparks, Kit Dennis, Stacy Bryant, Marlion Thornsburry, Christopher Jackson, Shawn Hughes, William Sparks, Gary Henrichs and Mariellen Calabro.

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Meet The Tree Division by Mariellen Calabro

The City's Tree Department consists of the Tree Removal and Maintenance crew (Tree Crew) led by Kit Dennis and the Nursery and Irrigation crew led by Mariellen Calabro, City Forester. The Tree Crew members are responsible for removing trees that have become potentially hazardous or that are in the way due to construction projects, line-of-sight issues, airport clearance regulations, etc. They also provide pruning on the rights-of-way to allow for eight-feet of clearance over the sidewalks and sixteen feet of clearance over most roadways. The Tree Crew works on City rights-of-way and on City-owned property.

They are prohibited from working on private property.

Kit and the crew of Marlion Thornsburry, Stacey Bryant, Jay Sparks, and Shawn Hughes recently completed a long list of tree removals generated when the City received an Urban and Community Forestry Grant for an outside arborist to identify potentially hazardous trees. Now their focus has shifted from removals to maintenance pruning.

The Tree Crew receives aerial lift, chainsaw safety, and Electric Haz-

ard Awareness training to ensure that their work is completed in the safest manner possible. They recently obtained pile-burning certification, which has allowed them to burn a large portion of the debris generated during tree removal and pruning operations. This has saved the City a lot of money in landfill costs.

The Nursery and Irrigation crew members work to support the Gerald E. Frierson Jr. City Nursery and other irrigated areas in the City.

The City Nursery currently has

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Potting Day Event

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Hours:
**Monday-Friday
 8:00am - 4:30pm**

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about 3,000 trees in production to prepare for the City's Tree Give Away. This program was started more than 20 years ago as a partnership with the DeLand Breakfast Rotary, when it was called Trees for Tomorrow. Chris Sparks and Chris Jackson are responsible for most of the daily maintenance in the nursery and for planting trees around the City. Gary Henrichs is responsible for the irrigation in the City Nursery and on the rights-of-way within the City. Each year, the City gives away at least 1,000 new trees to its citizens and another 700 trees to fourth grade students as part of the Fourth Grade Forester Program.

Mariellen Calabro, the City

Forester, works with the Tree Crew to evaluate potentially hazardous trees and arrange for training. She also works with Code Enforcement to investigate violations of the City's Tree Ordinance. Her job also involves reviewing site plans for the Planning Department as part of the City's Technical Review Committee and assisting the Building Department by conducting Final Tree Inspections on projects ranging from commercial to single-family residential. Chris Sparks and Chris Jackson also help provide final tree inspections on single-family residential projects.

The City's Tree Crew is committed to maintaining a safe, healthy urban forest. Tree Crew members

work together to ensure that DeLand's Urban Forest remains one of the things that makes our community special.

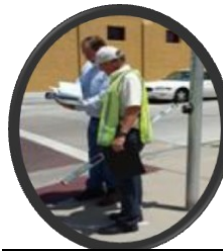


Tree Giveaway Event April 18, 2015

Safety by Maria Becker

June is also National Safety Month, where the goal is to reduce the leading causes of injury and death at work, on the road and in our homes and communities. This year, the campaign focus is on transportation safety, ergonomics, emergency preparedness and slips, trips and falls.

Transportation safety is compromised by car crashes. Many times workplace crashes are preventable by being more aware of your surroundings and by not being fatigued. People who sleep six to seven hours a night are twice as likely to be involved in a crash as those sleeping eight hours or more. People less than five hours increase crash risk four to five times.



Keith Riger wearing his PPE during an ADA compliance

Emergency Preparedness is all about taking control before the disaster hits. That includes fires, natural disasters, workplace violence and

hazardous materials. Remember, in Summer months, lightning is the leading cause of fires. If you hear thunder, lightning is nearby. If you are inside, avoid plumbing fixtures and stay away from windows, doors and porches. If you're outside, try to find indoor shelter if possible. If not, try to get off of elevated areas and away from bodies of water. Never lie flat on the ground.

Slips, trips and falls are the most common workplace incidents, but they're also some of the most preventable.

FYI.....(For your information)

CITY OF DELAND EVENTS:

- 6/27 Educate the Public (Stormwater) @ DeLand Library
- 6/29 Firecracker Festival
- 7/6 Orchid Auction
- 7/13 Tropical Nights
- 8/3 Go Hatters
- 8/17 Wild Wild West Charity Auction

- 8/31 DeLand Wine Festival

VACANT POSITIONS:

- Dept. 450-Maintenance Worker I
- Dept. 132- Two Contract Workers

CONGRATS ON YOUR PROMOTION!

Travis McKinney



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 (386)774-6162**