

FREDERICK COUNTY SANITARY DISTRICT OF SHAWNEELAND MANAGER'S REPORT – JANUARY 2021

Covid-19:

Over the past few months, the Shawneeland staff has been hampered at times by the Covid-19 virus. This of course is very typical of most workplaces throughout the country. We will continue to do the best job we can do under the circumstances while staying within the guidelines set forth by Frederick County.

Tree Removal:

The staff is currently working on removing dead or dying trees from the right of ways throughout Shawneeland. We have numerous trees that will be removed during the winter months. The wood from all the trees will be left on the right of way where it is safe to do so. The wood is available for any Shawneeland resident to take. I hope the citizens will take advantage of this free resource.

We also have a licensed and insured tree contractor that will be removing several trees from the right of way that staff cannot safely remove. This wood will also be left on the right of way for citizens to take. If you have any questions, please call the office for assistance.

Winter Weather:

The first substantial snow fell on December 16th into the early morning hours of the 17th. The Shawneeland staff was on duty throughout this event. A total of 10" of snow was recorded here at the office while 14" of snow was recorded on top of the mountain. The staff did an outstanding job during the snow event as they always do. We also had staff working on Christmas morning during that small event and again on New Years Day for the ice event. The equipment held up with very few problems.

Mowing:

Because of the Covid-19 setbacks, we are running behind on the final mowing on top of the mountain. We are working on finishing up all the gravel and dirt roads currently. We will continue this task until all the trails are complete. I understand that it seems somewhat off to mow this time of year, but the problem

is that it's not just grass we are cutting. Because we did not do a spring cutting on these trails the underbrush started growing and needs to be cut now.

Cherokee Lake:

The lake level was dropping at an alarming rate over the past few months. On August 3rd the lake level was -41.0". On December 3rd the lake level had fallen to -129.0". During this time span we received a total of 14.2 inches of rain.

Over the last 5 weeks the lake level has rebound somewhat and is at -41.0" as of January 15th. During this time span we received 5.6" of rain and 10" of snow. At this point the lake is holding its own.

Fishing Derby:

The fishing derby is an annual event that take's place every year on the Saturday before Mother's Day. This event has taken place for at least the last 25 years. I will be ordering the fish for the derby in the next week or two. We will stock the two ponds as well as the two lakes if the water level is safe to do so.

We do ask that anyone who partakes in the event continue to practice social distancing.

Driveway Permits:

During 2019 a total of 26 driveway permits were approved and during 2020 a total of 25 driveway permits were approved.

I currently have 30 driveway permits in a folder on my desk for future driveway's.

Monday, February 1 at 7:00
Sanitary District Office
50 Tomahawk Trail
Proposed Agenda

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, steps will be taken to meet social distancing and meeting size requirements at the meeting. Attendance in the facility will be limited to the Advisory Committee, staff members, and our Board of Supervisors Liaison. Those wishing to speak at the meeting will be asked to wait outside until they are called. Full instructions will be given upon arrival. At the time anyone wanting to speak during public comments. Will be given 3 minutes for the comment. Any questions needing answered please have in writing so that a response can be made.

Citizens preferring not to attend the meeting in person may submit comments in writing . All comments submitted are a matter of public record and will become part of the official minutes of the meeting.

COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED

- *by email to: kvacchio@fcva.us or mspringer@fcva.us*
- *by dropping written comments at the Shawneeland Office. You must include your name and address for the comments to be valid.*

With the size of our room in the Shawneeland office. Along with keeping the meeting in Shawneeland meeting room. We will be limited to space for us to have people in the meeting. And still follow the guidelines set by the county. Thank you all for understanding and working with us. The meeting will be on our Facebook page for viewing live. If you would choose to come speak please go online to Facebook page in the parking lot . If

possible to watch and listen to the meeting . At the time of public comments you will be directed in the office for your comment.

1. Call meeting to order : all attendees

2. Approval of minutes from November

3. Mangers report. Kevin Alderman

4. Tiny Homes:
being located in Shawneeland

5. Mail house issues :
Lighting
Painting the ceiling at the house on the recycling
center side

6. Open House 2021 follow up:

7: Facebook page update:

8. Public comments: floor opened to any one who would like to speak . The floor is opened for comments for a period of 3 minutes each speaker . At that time any emails that come in will be read at that time.

9. Chairman for 2021 vote :
We will vote for the chairman for 2021

10 Committee members comments.

11: Adjourn the meeting: