

PUBLIC WORKS
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Public Works

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IT HAPPENED ON THIS DATE

- In 1977 Elvis Presley died at his home, Graceland, at the age of 42.
- In 1948 Babe Ruth died in New York at the age of 53.
- The first issue of Sports Illustrated was published.
- In 1962 Ringo Starr replaced Pete Best as the drummer for the Beatles.

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Signs & Stripes

This week the Street & Alley division of the Public Works Department began their annual maintenance program which includes the painting of all crosswalks, parking spaces, and traffic arrows on city maintained roadways.

A two man crew will be working to complete the painting. The crew uses a fast-drying, rubberized based paint. While the paint is still wet the area is sprinkled with glass beads which helps to increase the nighttime visibility of the markings.

The painting project will require some intersections to be closed, but due to the fast-drying nature of the paint, closures will be very short termed. The Department of Public Works urges the public to be aware of the workers and to use caution while driving in the area of the painting.

The stripes, indicating turn lanes and crosswalks are an important part of traffic safety. The painted cross walks, in conjunction with the signage indicates a location where motorist should be prepared to stop. The pedestrian in the crosswalk ALWAYS has the right of way.



The Street Department is also responsible for the maintenance of the street and traffic signs. The department makes every attempt to assure that all signs are properly placed, free of anything that may block their view, and easy to read.

If you know of a sign that is no longer visible due to fading or being blocked, or a sign that is missing and needs to be replaced, please call the Public Works Department to have a work order entered.

Signs are important not only for safety, but also for the information they provide. Please assist us in keeping these signs in place.



Backflow Prevention Surveys are Due

Earlier this summer you received a cross connection survey included with your city utility bill. The due date for those surveys is the end of this month. If you have not already returned your survey, please take a couple of minutes to complete and return. The survey is also available on the homepage of the web site, www.highlandil.gov, or call this office and I will be happy to help you complete the survey over the phone.