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Public Works Week Celebrated with Community Improvements

Merrickville-Wolford, ON - On May 22, 2024, in celebration of National Public Works Week, staff from the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville's Public Works Division participated in a community service project in the Village of Merrickville-Wolford. The staff gathered at the Merrickville Fair Grounds to collaborate with the Merrickville-Wolford Public Works Department on various park improvement projects.

With a combined workforce of approximately 50 men and women, many tasks were completed, including retrofitting picnic tables for wheelchair accessibility, installing new roofs on the baseball dugouts, replacing the bench seats on the bleachers, painting the beach pavilion, putting the raft in the water at the beach, and enhancing the beach and playground with additional sand.

Work began at approximately 8:30am, with a break at 12:00pm for a networking BBQ lunch. After lunch, Long-Service Recognition Awards were presented by the Counties Public Works Director, Rick Kester. Attendees from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford included the Public Works Department Manager Brad Cole, Mayor Michael Cameron, Interim CAO Darlene Plumley, and Clerk Julia Jansmen.

At Counties Council on May 23, 2024, Warden Nancy Peckford took time in her remarks to recognize the work of the Public Works Department by saying, "I want to extend our sincere thanks to our Public Works employees who are dedicated to the many facets of keeping our roads and facilities operational and in top form."

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