



July 2025

Staff: Jason Coots/Electrical Superintendent, Matt Rivera/Journeyman Lineman, Levi Scheirbeck/1st year Apprentice Lineman

-On July 21, the Eatonville Elementary School reported a loss of power to its portables. Upon arrival, the Electrical Department found a blown fuse and the transformer de-energized. After troubleshooting, it was determined that the cause was a fault (short) in the aging underground conductor feeding the transformer. The Town's fault locating equipment was found to be inoperable, and replacement of the entire cable was initially considered. Fortunately, Ohop Mutual Electric loaned the Town their equipment, allowing the underground fault to be located efficiently. The damaged section was then dug up, spliced, and service was restored. The affected cable will be placed on the priority list for future replacement and options are being explored to secure fault-locating equipment.

-Representatives from the Electrical Department attended a meeting at Ohop Mutual to review potential options for establishing a back-up electrical feed for the Town of Eatonville. The meeting included representatives from Ohop, Bonneville Power Administration, and the Town. Currently, the Town receives power from a single feed originating at the Lynch Creek Substation which is owned by BPA. This arrangement leaves the community vulnerable to extended outages when the feed is interrupted by a system failure or by necessary maintenance. The goal of the meeting was to explore scenarios that would allow the Town to establish a secondary source of power. With a back-up feed in place, the Electrical Department would have the ability to switch the Town's power supply when needed. This would greatly improve system resilience. Several potential approaches were discussed, and all parties expressed interest in working together toward a solution that is mutually beneficial.

-The Electrical Department was invited to attend a training seminar hosted by Von Corp, the industry leader in fault locating equipment at Elmhurst Mutual. The seminar came at a timely moment, following the recent fault at the Elementary School and the discovery that the Town's current fault locating equipment is in need of repair. During the training, Von Corp representatives provided a step-by-step walkthrough of the fault locating process using their equipment, demonstrated new capabilities available free software upgrades, and answered participant questions. There were discussions about fixing our current fault locating equipment, purchasing a new unit, or a share agreement with Ohop Mutual. Three other local utilities attended the free training, and a barbecue lunch was prepared by the Elmhurst Superintendent who is well known for his food smoking skills.

Maintenance/Projects:

- The Electrical Department began a pole relocation project near the Skatepark. The project involves moving a utility pole currently located inside the park to a position outside of the fence. This relocation is required to accommodate the design and construction of the new features planned for the park.
- A service pole was set in the 200 block of Penn Avenue North that gave us the ability to move conductors from a back alley that lacked access to a better, more accessible, location. The overhead secondary (lines between a transformer and a home) spanned the customer's backyard and at its lowest was only about seven feet off the ground. The new pole location drastically shortens the length of the conductor and puts it at a height that is safe.
- Tree trimming/right of way clearing took place in the following areas- Near the Public Works Yard on Mashell, Prospect St W., Larsen St W., Antonie Ave N., and Maple Dr N. We also cleared around pole bases and padmount transformers (the green boxes).



Left- Elementary School Portables Transformer in the foreground with repaired fault location behind it. The transformer is fed via a pole off Lynch seen in the background.

Right- Lineman restoring power after splicing out an underground fault





Skatepark pole relocation (bottom right photo shows the current pole location inside of the park fence with new pole on the outside)





Penn Ave service pole before and after, note in above picture the height of the service wire near the bush.





Eatonville Police Department

- CHIEF JASON LALIBERTE



Memorandum

DATE: 08/11/2025
TO: Mayor Baublits and Town Council
FROM: Chief Jason LaLiberte
RE: EATONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S
July 2025 REPORT



General

Public Safety Committee – no public safety meeting in July.

Management Activities

In July, I attended reoccurring monthly meetings such as the Pierce County Chief's Association, Eatonville Business Association, Coffee with the Chiefs, South Sound Regional Training Group, WASPC legislative briefings, the South Sound law enforcement breakfast, and the Eatonville School District Safety Committee.

The July 3rd and 4th celebrations were a success, as usual. There were no major or significant police incidents to speak of. We estimate about 8500 people attended during the two-day period. On a "normal" summer weekday, our FLOCK cameras (6 total) capture an average of 24,000 cars per day. On a "normal" summer weekend we average about 30,000 cars per day. On July 3rd (a Tuesday this year), FLOCK captured 37,203 vehicles.

We have begun wrapping up the planning and preparation for National Night Out at Glacier Park on August 5th, 2025. Thank you to my assistant, Kendra Morrison, for her dedication and hard work toward this event.

I am continuing talks and planning with Rhonda Snowden and the Eatonville Historical Society regarding a memorial for her great-grandfather, Marshal Dolar LaPlant. LaPlant is the only Eatonville Law Enforcement Officer killed in the line of duty. Snowden is researching grants and donation resources for funding the project.

I was out of state on leave July 5th through July 18th. Officer Justman was stepped up in my place.

Officer Wade was out on annual leave July 14th to July 31.

Activites Continued:

In June 2025-

EPD had 230 total calls for service.

107 traffic stops –22 Notices of infraction (21% of all stops), 2 citation w/ release misdemeanor, 83 verbal warnings (78 % of all stops), 0 other

35 Fire service calls

1 other agency activity

0 misdemeanor arrests (non-traffic) – booked/cited

2 misdemeanor arrest (traffic) – booked/cited

0 felony arrests

12 reports

PCSD provided coverage for 9 calls for service



Assistant to the chief, Kendra Morrison:

PDR: 7

CPL: 3

Animal Impounds: 3

July 2025 PDR:

Via GOVQA: 7

In Person Request:

Other Video:

BWC -

Prosecutor VIA NICE:

DCYF (in person) -

TOWN - 2 (FLOCK REQUEST)

TOTAL REQUEST: 9

JULY 2025 CPL:

Original: 2

Renewal: 1

TOTAL REQUEST: 3

Water And Sewer Operator and Public Works Job Report

(excludes WTP & WWTP Daily Testing and Tasks)

JULY 2025

Water samples for Dept Of Health

Clean and monitor river pumps daily/as needed

Barricades out for 4th of July parade

Fix meter leak Orchard ave

Various afterhours callouts/alarms

Neutralization basin flood alarm, clean check valve

Leak detection on hydrants and valves.

Repair chlorine line leak. 1 inch repair clamp

Pump down monitoring basin

Master Meter and Pressure Transmitters calibrated @ WTP

Influent flow meter calibrated @ WWTP

Replace small river pump with new pump.

Verify all NTU Meters

New reagent bottles for all cl17 chlorine analyzers

Orca delivery received. Soda ash and Acid- pickup salt from arrow for wtp.

Street sweeping

Clean surface water NTU tubing

Safety meeting

Door hangers for late payments

Repair 6 inch pvc sewer main at elem. School

Repair water service line leak Eatonville hwy.

Investigate water leak on Washington ave

Filter 3 electrical issues. Lawson electric on-site to troubleshoot blown fuse.

Replace filter 3 blower

Full funeral service

Vactor/located old storm catch basin APP

Work on blower 2 issues WWTP

Hose SBR's/Headworks

Tighten aerator piping flanges WWTP SBR2

Meet with contractors on projects around town

Update Water WFI reports

Work on WWTP new SOP's

Work on updated EPA required reports and plans

Replace hot water tank at Glacier Park kitchen

Replace doors at Glacier Park kitchen

Mow grass in parks

Mow right of ways and easements with brush mower

Fill potholes around town and Wild rose road.

Install street signs as needed

Continue clean up in cemetery