Progress Continues on Park View Water Tank

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg Public Utilities Department continues overseeing the project of constructing a brand new water tank.

The project has reached a significant milestone in that the construction of the concrete pedestal, or base of the tank, has reached its designated peak and will now only require cleaning for completion. The contractor is currently working on the construction of the portion of the tank that will eventually be painted, and then lifted by crane to the top of the pedestal. Once that is done, the construction of the pipe network, instrumentation, and stairway will follow.

In October 2016, construction started on the new water tank that is located in the Park View neighborhood. This tank will hold approximately 500,000 gallons of water and will replace the current tank, which only holds 75,000 gallons of water and was constructed in 1960.

With more homes and businesses in this area of the city as well as growth on Eastern Mennonite University’s (EMU) campus as compared to when the existing tank was constructed, additional water is needed for fire flow and to continue providing service to the neighborhood. The existing tank was also nearing the end of its useful life.

It is anticipated that this project will be completed by fall and additional information is available by visiting www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/park-view-water-tank.
Pictured above: Progress of the construction of the water tank.

The Harrisonburg Department of Public Utilities is responsible for providing water and sewer services to residences and businesses. The Department currently manages approximately 16,000 accounts. For more information about these functions of the city, visit www.harrisonburgva.gov/public-utilities.

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