

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Public Works Department

TO: Mark Thiel

FROM: Mike Perkins

CC:

DATE: November 1, 2013

RE: City Manager's Report – APWA Snow Rodeo

On October 7th, 8th and 9th Public Works Street and Fleet Division employees attended and competed in the annual APWA Snow Rodeo event in Gardner Kansas. This event includes teams of skilled operators and mechanics from Public Works agencies throughout the Kansas City Metro area and Northeast Kansas. Although the event is titled Snow Rodeo it is much more than simply a snow equipment competition. The competitions are a combination of a written test that challenge the participant's knowledge and timed "hands on" skill tests in all phases of Public Works endeavors, they include, street sweeper, skid steer, backhoe, excavator, mechanic repair, and truck mounted snow plow competitions. This year Tim Cast, concrete crew Supervisor, led a small group of operators and participated in several events; street sweeper, skid steer, excavator, backhoe, wheel loader, and 10 foot snow plow class. Our contingent had a very impressive first time showing with many of our competitors placing in the top 30% of the competition. We are looking forward to growing our involvement in this training and competition in the future. Listed below are the employees and events they participated in.

Skid Steer Loader

Andy Breedlove 23 / 87

Street Sweeper

Howard Clark 23 / 24

Mechanic

Chris Cates 7 / 13

Backhoe

Terry Wisdom 15 / 59

Cory Fishburn 34 / 59

Excavator

Terry Wisdom 30 / 64

Howard Clark 52 / 64

Loader

Caleb Pettengill 15 / 55

Arlie Watts III 25 / 55

10 Foot Snow Plow

Caleb Pettengill 10 / 48

Cory Fishburn 40 / 48

Ellis Daniels 42 / 48

Overall Snow Plow Combined

Caleb Pettengill 40 / 104

Cory Fishburn 94 / 104

Ellis Daniels 96 / 104











