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Mayor Jacobs Talks About Storms, Grants, Baseball and More

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will posted around noon today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about the winter storm that hit last week, a grant to support Roane State Community College and TCAT, new MLB hall-of-famer Todd Helton, and more.

Mayor Jacobs notes that the county's highway department worked almost non-stop during the snowstorm and spread more than 4,000 tons of salt and 90,000 gallons of brine on Knox County roads, putting in more than 6,000 hours.

"The folks driving our salt trucks work long hours in sometimes dangerous circumstances, but they show up and do a great job," Mayor Jacobs says.

He also pointed out that other team members worked throughout the storm, too. For example, the Regional Forensic Center continued to respond to scenes; and our libraries, parks and recreation, and building maintenance people monitored various facilities to prevent frozen pipes and water leaks, as well as facilitated opening to the public as soon as possible by clearing the accumulated snow and ice.