

## **CAO Update:**

October 3, 2017

### **Administration:**

- I had a call from a concerned resident who thought, based on the comments in the paper, that we didn't want lights on the Caribou crossing. This is not the case. We have been lobbying for lights there and will continue to do so. However this project requires cables, power, controls, foundations, etc. The cost of the actual lights is a small portion of the project cost, so we don't want to have used lights. Also, we are only paying 12% of the project cost, so we should not push CN to cut costs with used equipment which we will have to maintain.

### **Finance:**

- The MD has advised that they are not paying the full 2016 invoice for the Intermunicipal Agreement and the Fire Service Agreement. The Town does not accept that the current payments are adequate or constitute full payment. The MD still owes the town \$110,574.18 for the 2016 Intermunicipal and \$139,073.25 for 2016 for Fire services. The payment of \$300,000 for 2017 Fire Services is short \$45,771 just for the first three quarters of 2017. A letter was sent to the MD advising them of this.
- Working on 2018 budget and capital plans.

### **Projects:**

- Regional Water line project construction of intake and pumping station is starting October 3 (today). Pipeline work to start after freeze up.
- Main Street North Water Line replacement project construction started on Sept 8 with 2 out of 4 sections (on Main Street and Tamarack Road) of the 350mm and 300mm pipe drilled and pulled in. The 3rd section (on Tamarack Road) is currently being fused together and hope to have it drilled and pulled in by Saturday. The 4th and final section (on Tamarack Road) will start next week. We will then go back and start the interconnection of all 4 sections.
- Infrastructure Recovery concrete warranty work on 12 St SE and a few other areas in town is now complete and we did a final acceptance walk through on Tuesday last week for the 2 year warranty on the 2015 work. A few minor deficiencies were noted and will be corrected.
- 5 St and 5 Ave NE road re-paving project construction has been deferred until spring due to contractor scheduling delays. We require 4 weeks to do the work and did not feel there is sufficient time before freeze up to complete the work without compromising the quality of paving and concrete. We have also extended the re-paving and sidewalk replacement work on a short section on 6 street from the corner of 5 Ave to 6 Ave.
- The Road Rehabilitation 10 year plan has been developed with a Report to Council being presented tonight for the 2018 projects.
- Town Shop Yard Salt Remediation Project is well underway with a lot of groundwater recovery and disposal taking place. The pumps will be removed in two weeks, so the program will be stopped for the winter.
- Sewage Lagoon Upgrade Project is in the detailed engineering phase and the phase 1 construction will start later this fall. We are currently preparing an RFQ for the removal of the composted sludge material out of the existing Sludge Drying cell to get it ready to be converted into active cell No. 2. This work will most likely start in early November. We are currently working with the SAGR equipment supplier to begin procuring their equipment for the new system.

- CN Rail light upgrades on the Main Street crossing started this week. New lights and crossing arms will be installed on the main street crossing and the underground wiring will be installed from the new control panel at Main Street down the tracks to the 3 St SW crossing this fall with the new lights at that crossing not being installed until spring. The Caribou Trail crossing did not make the CN Rail grant list this year, but they will be applying again next year.
- Working on the 2018 budget and the 10 year Capital Budget Plan.

**Operations and Utilities:**

- Paving repairs are mostly completed with a few more to be done this week.
- Cleaning out lift station C this week.
- Continuing with grading and street sweeping as weather permits.
- Working with the contractor on the Main Street North water line project.
- Camera inspections of the new lines in the SE are happening this week.
- Repairing a catch basin on the north end of Main Street

**Planning:**

- Working on amendments to the Municipal Development Plan to incorporate Fire Smart Principles.
- Implementing the changes in the Downtown plan into the Downtown Plan Bylaw.

**Emergency Services:**

2 vehicle fires, 1 MVA, 3 duty officer calls

**Community Services:**

**Facilities**

- All flower pots and hanging pots cleaned and back in the shop yard
- Working on trail clean up
- Lights are installed at SW Park, landscaping up to the pour on surface will be done this week; parking lot will have to be done next year
- Met with minor ball to discuss diamond maintenance
- Provided a draft agreement to Kinettes on flowers
- Cleaned out planters in Fournier Place and planted tulips (received free samples)

**Program Coordinator**

- Tumble Tots starts today and runs until November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Mural Mosaic Painting Sessions are October 10-11<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a couple schools come in to paint during the day and the public during the evening. There are lots of spaces left.
- Family Fun Night is on October 11<sup>th</sup> and they will have a Mural Mosaic painting session to themselves. We are also providing Subway for dinner.
- Outback Power Pack Camp is October 20-22
- Kid's Paint Night is here at the MRC on October 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Babysitters Safety Course is running again on October 28-29<sup>th</sup>

- Kid's Halloween Party on October 28<sup>th</sup> during the All Seasons Market. We will be doing crafts with the kids

### **Parent Link**

- Programs started last week; lots of positive feedback on the new building
- Looking at dates to do an open house at Parent Link

### **POOL**

- Still on track to open on October 10<sup>th</sup> - doing staff training this week
- Hired pool supervisor for maternity position, starting Oct 10
- Hired assistant pool supervisor, Megan Monaghan, started this week

### **Events List - Internal**

October 10 - Pool re-opening  
October 11 - Family Fun Night  
October 20 - Kids Paint Night  
October 20-22 - Outback Power Pack  
October 28-29 - Babysitting  
Nov 1 DancePI3y Starts

### **Events List - External**

October 21 - Farmers Market  
October 28 - All Seasons Market