

CAO Update:

September 11, 2018

Finance:

- Working on 2019 budget.
- We are scheduled to receive 4 crates of water meters this week.

Projects

- **Regional Waterline Intake and Pumping Station** - The intake station pre-commissioning activities are on-going. The pumps have been load tested. The control system testing and communications testing back to the WTP are in progress and should be fully operational by the end of this week. The site grading, parking lot and site fencing are complete. Intake Station should be fully operational by the end of September. A project completion open house BBQ, open to the public is being planned for September 20th at the Widewater Sports complex.
- **Regional Waterline Pipeline Project** construction is also nearing completion. The contractor has 100% of all pipeline in the ground with all the end to end connections completed except for the final tie-in at the WTP. The finishing and reclamation work and cleanup all along the pipeline route has been very good and the contractor is going above and beyond in the residential areas. We started filling the line with water last week and the pigging and pressure testing of the pipeline will continue this week. Once the pressure test is done and has passed, the final tie-in at the WTP will begin and should be fully operational by the end of September.
- **Main Street North Water Line Replacement Project** is progressing. The smaller 4" line has been installed using HDD along Main Street all the way out to the vicinity of The Point Marina. Two customers along Main Street have already been connected to the new line and when the weather breaks later this week, we will continue connecting the remaining 5 customers along Main Street and the 2 customers along Tamarack Road. The TOSL work scope will stop at the TOSL and MDLSR border on Main Street and the MD will finish the line going north to The Point. After all customers are switched over to the new line, we can shut in and abandon the old line.
- **5 Ave NW between 5 St and 8 St NW Road Rehabilitation Project** construction started on Aug 15 and has been progressing very well with 100% of the new waterline installed. The waterline will be filled and tested this week and residents will be switched over to it by the end of the week so the temporary waterlines can be removed. The next step starting tomorrow, will be to begin the sewer line replacement which will take about 7 to 10 days to complete, then followed by the road base reconstruction, new sidewalks then finally the asphalt to complete the project. The projected completion date is still mid -October. Road closure notices have been issued and door to door notices have been delivered.
- **5 Ave and 5 St NE Road Rehabilitation Project** is complete including the landscaping repairs. The water is draining very well along the road and the sod patches are all looking nice and green, thanks to our continued watering program and a few residents who have been looking after their own sod.
- **Sewage Lagoon Upgrade Project** – Site construction contract has been awarded and we are having a project construction kickoff meeting on Sept 19, where we will be presented with the contractors detailed construction schedule. The work will start this fall and continue until freeze-up then will resume again in the spring. The project scope is to turn the existing drying cell into an active cell, empty and reconstruct and install HDPE liners in the 3 existing active cells and all new inter-cell underground piping. The existing cell re-construction will be done one cell

at a time so the remaining cells can remain in service. Council awarded the contract to the SAGR equipment supplier for the detailed design and to begin procuring their equipment for the new system.

- **CN Rail Main Street, 3 St SW and 7 St SE Crossings** repair works are in progress with the landscaping repairs complete. The concrete repair/replacement work on all 3 crossings is now complete as well and was part our 2018 Sidewalk Repair Program. We will continue to work with CN as they are responsible for the asphalt repairs now that the concrete work is now complete, CN has arranged for the asphalt work to be done, but the local paving contractor will not have an asphalt plant in town until they start the airport overlay, so the CN Crossing asphalt work will take place later in September as well. CN is paying 100% for all the landscaping repairs and the concrete replacement on all 3 crossings, but the TOSL is managing this work. CN is managing and directly paying for the asphalt work.
- **2018 Sidewalk Repair Program** is complete. The pavement patches at the edge of the new concrete at all sites will be done with the annual operations pavement patching program so we can leverage the competitive pricing operations has with their work. The pavement patching contract was awarded last week and this work should start after the rain subsides and should only take a few days to complete.
- **Water Treatment Plant Leaking Roof Repairs** contract was awarded and the work started last week with 4 out of 9 sections completed to date and the remaining 5 sections work will resume when the rain stops and will only take 4 or 5 days to complete.
- **Hilltop Reservoir Piping Replacement Project** was kicked off a couple weeks ago and in the early stages of establishing the work plan and scope of work. Engineering and design to take place in 2018 with the tender package going out in Q1, 2019 and construction scheduled for Q2 or Q3, 2019.
- **Lift Station C - New Forcemain Project** was kicked off a couple weeks ago and in the early stages of establishing the work plan and scope of work. Engineering and design to take place in 2018 with the tender package going out in Q1, 2019 and construction scheduled for Q2 or Q3, 2019.
- **Sawridge Lift Station Modifications** are in the detailed design stage and hoping to have the modifications completed by the end of this year. This work includes installing a rail track system on the stairs to easily remove the “Muffin Monster” grinder pump for servicing as well as installing a new recirculation system to reduce the frequency of cleaning the cells. The scope of work also includes repairing and putting back into service the second discharge line to the sewage lagoon as it has been out of service for a while.
- **Town Shop Yard – Salt Water Remediation Work** is in progress and going well with the results trending in the right direction. Pending results of the 2018 pumping season, we will hopefully go into monitoring only mode next summer, which will cut the costs in half for this work.
- Working with **LSL Regional Housing Authority** on the detailed scoping of the proposed Affordable Housing multifamily complex that is being considered for the Town of Slave Lake. The one company being considered for the construction of the prefabricated modules has gone into receivership, so the project is now being re-evaluated with the Alberta Government folks. We are continuing with the detailed scope of work document and preparing the RFP documents to have them ready when we have permission to proceed.

Operations and Utilities

- Prepping for winter.
- Will be sweeping leaves soon.
- Cleaning catch basins.
- Commissioning the new water intake.
- Completed hydrant repairs by Speedee Food Store on Main Street last weekend.
- Repairing sewer line at the Legion this week.
- Paving patches will commence as soon as weather permits.

Planning and Development

- The Cannabis open house was well attended with lots of feedback from the public. Planning have been spending a lot of time on bylaw preparation.
- Green Space Alliance is working on a proposed Bylaw for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw with respect to the Downtown and Main Street Area Structure Plan. The Bylaw should be drafted by mid-September.

Fire Department:

The fire department had a very busy week. There have been 246 calls so far this year.

- 6 MVA's-HWY 754 KM 30/301 Main ST NE/HWY 2 TWP 735B/HWY 2 & Smith Corner/3 AVE NE & 3 AVE NW Main ST
- 6 Duty Officer -100 Main ST SW/1294 Southshore Drive/False call Calling Lake/300 8 ST SW/Unit 601 1500 Main ST SW/1001 10 A Ave SE

Community Services:

- **Enforcement Services:**
 - Peace Officers have been partnering with EMS and conducting school zone enforcement as school resumes.
 - Senior Peace Officer will be issuing weed notices under the weed control act this week. The inspections were done by the MD weed inspector and need to be followed-up by the Town. There are approx. 17 notices that will have to be mailed out.
 - Foot patrols have increased near the high school walking path in an effort to deter persons drinking and causing a disturbance.
 - Unsightly property investigations are slowing down.
 - One dog attack file concluded which resulted in several charges against the animal owner.
- **Aquatics:**
 - Shut down is progressing. The college's electrical upgrades are on track. Pool basin contractor finished last week. Plumbing and electrical repairs are the focus this week, as well as the college is replacing motors in the air handling system. Our staff will be continuing with major cleaning following the contractors work.
 - Taking registrations for swim lessons in October.

- **FCSS & Parent Link:**
 - Outback Power Pack Camp is full!
 - Parent Link programs have moved back inside, except for the family fitness program.
 - Car seat demo today.
- **Parks & Facilities:**
 - A Parks summer worker covering park inspections until September 30.
 - Have closed the splash park for the season. We will be doing some preventative work on the hose connections this fall.
 - Assisted in the preparation for the Ice Breaker event at the MRC & Legacy Centre.
 - Prepped for the weekend slow pitch tournament at Charity Park.
 - Starting the preparation for winter season storage of equipment (string cutters, mowers, etc.) and prep the mower units to transition to winter season.
 - Starting to put in ice in arena 2 at the MRC.
 - A contractor removed Spruce Park playground equipment, completed the fill and reseed.
 - The Kinettes removed the planter from the light poles downtown.
 - Put up memorial banners at Arena 1 for Minor Hockey.
 - A new Facility Maintenance Coordinator started on Monday.
- **Programming:**
 - We had our first busy weekend of the season at the MRC, the Ice Breakers Hockey game and the Minor Hockey 3 on 3 were both a success.
 - We have two more 3 on 3 tournaments coming up on September 16th.
 - We are fully booked for Christmas Parties at the Legacy Centre, we are preparing for a busy November and December.
 - Our new Program Coordinator started on Monday.