

CAO Update:

November 13, 2018

Administration:

- Working on the annual insurance renewal.

Finance:

- Work continues with the operating budget and capital budget.
- Water meter installation is going well with lots of people setting up appointments. We are concentrating on the South East first. We have done about 450 out of 2500 residences.

Projects

- **Regional Waterline Intake and Pumping Station** - The intake station construction is complete and the commissioning activities have been taken as far as they can at this point. The 30 day acceptance test is waiting for the completion of the pipeline commissioning.
- **Regional Waterline Pipeline Project** construction is complete except for the final tie-in at the WTP. The road rehabilitation as requested by the MDLSR is completed for this year and we will perform a final walkthrough in the spring. The previous pigging issues have been resolved and we have resumed pigging and pressure testing last week and are hoping to better results moving forward. After the line has been fully pressure tested, the final connection to the WTP will take place to complete the project and move us into the 30 day performance test phase.
- **Main Street North Water Line Replacement Project** – Work will resume this week and if the weather cooperates, we will work through to completion before the year end. Five customers along Main Street have already been connected to the new line and we will continue connecting the remaining 2 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 off going north to The Point and they will connect their 3 customers to the new line. 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** – The work on the road is complete for this year and the road is fully open again. Unfortunately we did not get the pavement down due to the sub-zero temperatures. The sidewalks and curbs are complete and the gravel road base has been built up to the curbs. Our contractor told us we will be the first paving project on their list in the spring.
- **Sewage Lagoon Upgrade Project** – The general contractor has been making good progress on the earthworks part of the project. The work will continue until the ground becomes too frozen to work with, at which time all work will be suspended until 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.
- **Hilltop Reservoir Piping Replacement Project** – We had a final review of the project work plan and scope of work this week and have the project ready to move into the detailed design phase. 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** - Is 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** – Detailed design is complete and hoping to go out to bid this week with construction starting later either later this year or early in the New 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 pump 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 complete for this year. 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. Expecting the 2018 results report later this month.
- **LSL Regional Housing Authority** – The project team has awarded a contract to a consulting firm to complete a “Business Case and Options Analysis for the design and construction of 40 units of affordable housing in the Town of Slave Lake”. Project funding has not yet been secured and the intent is to present this Business Case to the government for a funding request.
- **2019 Capital Projects Budget** – Working on the 2019 Capital Projects budget to have it ready to review with Council on Nov 26-27.

Operations and Utilities

- Crews are plowing and sanding roads.
- Prepping the tree lights and snowflakes which will be installed this week.

Planning and Development

The Planning Department is:

- Conducting annual Bunkhouse Inspections with AHS and Safety Codes Officer.
- Working on a second submission for the FireSmart Grant.
- Working on Report to Council regarding an Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.
- Working with GreenSpace Alliance on the final LUB amendments for the Downtown Plan.

Fire Department:

We had 5 calls total this week bringing our total for the year to 325.

- 1-Duty Officer 1308 AVE SE
- 4- MVA-s HWY 2 & TWP RD 710A/TWP RD 724D & RD 45/1201 Main ST SE/HWY 88 26-28 KM North of SL

Community Services:

- **Enforcement Services:**
 - Continued calls for service for vagrant individuals in the Government Centre.
 - Investigated a few sidewalk snow removal files.
 - Attended an injury MVC on Main Street @ Northern Lakes College.
 - Dog attack investigation resulting in charges laid to owner and dog being declared dangerous under the Bylaw.

- **FCSS & Parent Link:**
 - The GoA has advised that Parent Link will be receiving a 2% increase in funding as part of their grants.
 - Staff will be meeting with the Red Cross this week to further discuss Emergency Social Services items.
 - Manager attended an ECD Coalition meeting in Fairview today.
- **Aquatics:**
 - Staff training last Friday: emphasis on water based scenarios – went really well.
 - PD Day Camp is being planned for Nov 23rd, with an ice safety focus.
- **Parks & Facilities:**
 - MRC lifts (elevators) were inspected.
 - Legacy Centre sprinklers were inspected.
 - Have contractor repairing power plugs thru downtown.
 - Set up snow removal contract for Parent Link Centre.
 - Started a purge of our loading bay and boiler room of un-needed materials left from GOA renovations.
 - Have Overhead Door ordering parts for Zamboni door for arena 2, brakes are at the point of requiring replacement.
 - Have a contractor on call to come to do some de-icing at the MRC roof top chiller, continued issues with the chiller freezing. We have a couple of solutions we are looking at to correct the issue.
 - Our refrigeration contractor is booked for an extra visit to check for the brine line repair we completed in August and to do a couple of outstanding temperature sensor installations
 - Have had the floors in the Government Centre waxed over the weekend, we will be having the hallway completed next weekend.
- **Programming:**
 - The first session of Pickleball went really well: 5 people attended and came back later in the week to practice.
 - Plans have started for Frost Fest: we will be having a planning meeting open to the public on Dec 3 @ 7 pm at the MRC.
 - We will be advertising open ice each weekend on our Facebook pages to try and boost rentals.
 - We are seeking sponsorship for our holiday skates and Srs. Winter Walk program for January – March. Anyone interested can talk to Jill.
 - This week, focus will be preparing the float for the Santa Clause Parade.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Nov 16th - Moonlight Madness (Downtown)
 - Nov 16 & 17th – Adult Ed Craft Sale (MRC)
 - Nov 17 & 18th – Atom Hockey Tournament (MRC)
 - Nov 16 & 17th – Private Event (Legacy Centre)
 - Nov 22nd – Northern Haven Event (Legacy Centre)
 - Nov 23rd – PD Day Camp (NLC)
 - Nov 25th - Stage North Event (Legacy Centre)