

CAO Update: August 20, 2019

Safety:

- One minor incident involving a vehicle.

Finance:

- Working on setting up budgets in Questica.
- Finalizing DRP claims.

Operations and Utilities

- **Utilities**
 - Switched Lagoons inlet from cell 1 to 2 for cleaning and re-lining.
 - Fixed Water leak at 9 Street SE.
 - Fixed water leak on raw line underneath Water Treatment Plant.
 - Commissioning new raw water intake.
- **Public Works**
 - Sweeping.
 - Hope to cold pour crack seal.
 - Ongoing painting.
 - Clean Recycle Depot.
 - Grading as needed.

Planning and Development

- Working with a developer for a new home in Parkdale Way.
- Closed a few small permits and refunded deposits.

Fire Department

- 5 calls this week, most of them on the weekend: 3 Duty Officer calls, 1 MCR, & 1 MVC on Hwy 2.
- 7 members at Wolfville NS attending the CVFSA conference with one of our Hall Captains taking on the day/night role of Duty Officer for the week with rural Hall 2 backing us up.
- Norquest College is in the heart of their training for 1001 class.

Projects

- **Regional Waterline Project** – We are currently preparing to begin the 30 day performance test of the new system. The new raw waterline operates at a higher pressure (100psi vs 35psi) than the existing river intake line and when we opened the new line to bring water into the plant for control system testing, the old line at the WTP inlet sprung a leak underground. After excavating to find the leak, it was discovered that some fittings on the old line were never properly wrapped and severe corrosion was discovered on the elbow that has the leak. A temporary patch was welded on so the existing intake could be put back into service and we are currently developing a plan to replace the old section of steel line under the WTP floor as we suspect there are other fittings in the same condition that will eventually leak. This will delay the start of the 30 day test.
- **5 Ave NW between 5 St and 8 St NW Road Rehabilitation Project** – The paving and concrete work is complete and the landscaping work has started and stopped numerous times due to the rain and weather permitting. Rain prevented the work from being completed last week, so weather permitting, they should be able to complete the landscaping by the end of this week to close out the project.
- **Sewage Lagoon Upgrade Project** – The project has been progressing very well. The 3 new SAGR Cells have all been lined and the piping is well under way with 2 of the 3 SAGR cells already filled with gravel and the 3rd one is in progress. The work on transforming the existing Lagoon Cell 2

into an active lagoon is complete and it was put into full service at the end of last week and lagoon cell 1 was taken out of service. The next critical step is to empty, de-sludge and line Lagoon Cell 1 and put it back in service before winter sets in. Wet weather has slowed the progress on this project.

- **Hilltop Reservoir Piping Replacement Project** – The detailed design and engineering is complete and the tender package was posted on August 6, closing on August 29 and will be awarded in early September. The construction was scheduled to start this fall, but with the project demands being put on the TOSL operations and utilities groups with all the water and sewer projects we have on the go, they have asked if we could delay the start of this construction to the spring of 2020. We have sent an addendum to the bidders indicating this change.
- **WTP Lab and Office Renovation Project** - With the current active project demands being put on the TOSL operations and utilities groups with all the water and sewer projects we have on the go, operations have asked if we could delay this project until 2020 as well.
- **Sawridge Lift Station Modifications** – Project is complete.

Community Services

- **Enforcement:**
 - Peace Officers continue to follow-up with prohibited noxious weed complaints.
 - Animal control calls were actually the most prevalent in the last week, with several relating animals locked in closed vehicles. In these situations, officers try to educate the owner(s). In one instance, on an overcast day, the temperatures inside the car were exceeding 30C & the dog was showing signs of dehydration.
 - Peace Officers has re-started the “Traffic Safety Committee.” This is a group of operational officers from various agencies that meet once a month to talk about joint operations and issues. Made up of TOSL, MD LSR, AB Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, Global Traffic Group, & RCMP.
- **Aquatics:**
 - Our Wibit Warrior public swims went over very well last Friday, August 16.
 - Our sponsored swim by KAFT-cpa was very well attended on Sunday, August 18.
 - Saturday morning lessons wrapped up on the weekend.
 - Getting ready for our annual shut down (Sept 3 to 30).
- **FCSS:**
 - Interagency meetings start back up next Tuesday.
 - Received \$1800 from the MD FCSS for OBPP this year.
 - Working with funded agencies to develop outcome questions for their programs/events (requirement of the GoA).
 - Parent link went to the EC Bar Ranch corn maze last week and are having Beach Day on Friday at Big Fish Bay.
- **Parks & Facilities:**
 - Parks crews is split to also provide arena operations.
 - Parks crews are continuing to maintain parks. They have also hand-picked areas with prohibited noxious weeds, like Himalayan Balsam.
 - Plans are being established for ice in Arena #2. Dates have not been finalized pending CIMCO technician availability.
 - Crews will be putting up signs for the Allarie Trails and Barton Park this week.

- **Recreation & Programming:**
 - Fee changes start on Sept 1st. Posted in social media, website & newsletter. User groups also informed through the user group meetings. Our systems have been updated for the new pricing as well.
 - Selection underway for the Community Relations Manager term position.
 - Fall Ice Users meeting was delayed until Aug 27.
 - Arena #1 ice is operational. Some availability for private rentals over the next couple weeks. Due to staffing (split between Parks and MRC) we have limited weekend availability.
 - Several Adult & Youth Drop in Hockey opportunities as well as Public Skates next week.
 - Men's Summer Rec Hockey resumes this week.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Aug 19 – 23rd: Peak Hockey School (MRC)
 - Aug 23rd: Last day of Summer Splash (NLC)
 - Aug 24th: Colour Run (Sinclair)
 - Aug 24th: Ice Breakers (MRC)
 - Aug 31st: Private Rental (Legacy)
 - Aug 31st: Self Defense Classes (MRC)