

Monthly Report

Operations

March 2023

In addition to their routine maintenance work Operational Services staff worked on and will be working on:

RECREATION & HORTICULTURE

- Dickey Park washroom is open daily 9:00am to 5:00pm.
- The walking track is open daily from 7:00am to 9:00pm.
- The stadium hosted the Bates Merrill friendship hockey tournament from March 10-12.
- There will be daily free skating during March break.
- The downtown outdoor rink has been well used over the past month however the season is quickly coming to a close.
- There has been a noticeable improvement in waste sorting at the Stadium since the start of the “Put Waste In Its Place” campaign.
- Matt Selig recently completed 2 “Achieve Centre for Leadership” training courses in;
 - Management and Supervision
 - Leading in a Unionized Environment
- Planning and preparation continues for Spring plantings and student hiring.
- The final day for ice rentals at the stadium will be April 30.

PUBLIC WORKS

- There were 4 snow events of 10cm or more in the past month that required plowing of streets and sidewalks
- Sidewalk salting took place on 10 occasions and the salt truck was dispatched 14 times due to icy road conditions. In the past month staff used approximately 375 tonnes of salt.
- There were 2 broken water mains repaired; Dale Street and Christie Street.
- Jason McBurnie recently completed 2 “Achieve Centre for Leadership” training courses in;
 - Management and Supervision
 - Leading in a Unionized Environment
- Public works staff will be attending a training course on trenching and excavation in late March.
- Staff repaired/filled potholes on 11 days in the past month putting out a total of 38 tonnes of recycled asphalt.
- Quarterly acute lethality testing was completed at the WWTP.

UPCOMING

- Snow and de-icing operations of streets, sidewalks and VIA rail platform as needed.
- Patching of potholes with recycled asphalt is ongoing.
- Ice maintenance at the outdoor rink, weather dependant.
- Quarterly water meter reading will start on April 1.
- Annual report for the Amherst Water Utility is due on April 1.

Tasks: No outstanding tasks at this time.