

MONTHLY REPORT

Operations

February 2019

The asphalt recycler/hot patcher was used 7 days in January patching potholes, approximately 17 tonnes of recycled asphalt was placed.

The utility crew performed daily checks of walkways and entrances to Town owned buildings, removing snow and ice as needed. The utility crew also removed and stored Christmas lights and decorations in January.

There were 5 snow events in January which required plowing of streets, sidewalks, and parking lots:

- January 1, 2019 – 10 cm
- January 6, 2019 – 5 cm
- January 9, 2019 – 15 cm
- January 20, 2019 – 10 cm
- January 31, 2019 – 10 cm

These snow events proved very challenging as most of the events started as snow, transitioned to rain or freezing rain, and back to snow followed by very cold temperatures. Snow was hauled from downtown streets and parking lots on 3 separate days. The salt truck was out on numerous occasions in January because of the extreme fluctuations in temperature throughout the month. The total volume of road salt purchased this winter is 1190 tonnes. This total amount approximately equals our average annual total. Sidewalk sanders were out 7 days in January applying a mix of sand and salt to improve traction on all sidewalks.

There was 1 broken water main on Edgewood Avenue, a 6" cast iron main where a service saddle failed.

Meter reads were done by walking the various walk routes and also by driving the outside County areas by our meter reader. The water crew also repaired 15 meters that measured zero consumption. Water crews have also been maintaining the downtown outdoor rink. Depending on weather conditions and other work priorities crews have been trying to perform flooding and maintenance on a daily basis.

The sewer crew have been doing their typical bi-weekly sampling at the Treatment Plant and the regular cleaning of the Terrace Lift Station. The sewer crew have also been cleaning the bar screen at the WWTP on a daily basis since the channel monster failed in the fall.

The mechanic has been busy with repair and maintenance work on our snow plows, sidewalk plows, and routine preventive maintenance of the fleet vehicles.

Upcoming / ongoing projects for February:

- Patching of potholes with recycled hot mix asphalt
- Meter repairs
- Construction of a partition wall in the second floor Town Hall board room
- Traffic control for Valentine's Run
- Solid waste collection from on street receptacles
- Week day maintenance at the outdoor rink
- Snow and de-icing operations as needed

The judicial review of the order to demolish the property at 16 Prince Arthur Street was held on February 8, 2019. Justice Jamieson issued an oral decision upholding the order to demolish the property. While a written copy of the decision is not yet available, Justice Jamieson commented that the Town did follow all necessary provisions of the *Municipal Government Act* and Town policies and procedures. She also commented on the number of times the property owner was contacted by the Town and given opportunity to remedy the dangerous and unsightly condition. Staff are now in the process of procuring the demolition of the building as well as developing a demolition plan.