

Monthly Departmental Report

Operations

October 2018

The contracted patching of streets and service cuts continued in September. To date 30 service cuts have been repaired and 659 tonnes of asphalt placed.

The Streets crew installed 2 sections of concrete curb in preparation for the construction of the active transportation trails on Willow Street and Robert Angus Drive.

The Streets crew also replaced sidewalk blocks on East Victoria Street at 2 locations to eliminate issues with vehicles scraping when entering and exiting their driveways.

The utility crew repaired or replaced 18 compost bins in September and we are seeing a similar trend in requests for bin repairs in October.

Public works crew also completed maintenance work at the Library and CCUBIC, work consisted of painting and replacement of ceiling tiles.

The sewer crew performed routine maintenance and sampling at the WWTP and lift stations. Several older catch basins were replaced or repaired. The need for this maintenance work was identified by crews while cleaning the basins over the summer.

The annual sewer main flushing and video inspection program began in late September. Flushing removes any accumulated debris from the sewer lines and the video inspection will identify any deficiencies in the pipe that will need to be repaired.

The water crew installed a new valve and chlorination line on Willow Street at Spring Street prior to the start of construction of the new water main. The water crew also repaired several water service laterals that were broken during construction.

There were 2 new water services installed in September, a residential service on East Pleasant Street for new construction, and a new service to supply water for the off-leash dog park was installed.

Other activities carried out by Public Works crews:

- Replaced roofing on dugouts, repaired soffit and fascia on canteen building, painted trim on buildings, installed signage, and removed weeds from foul lines and warning track at Robb's Complex prior to the U15 Atlantic baseball tournament.
- Picked up trees in Berwick and dug the holes for TD Tree day.
- Delivered materials for "A" Fest and the Hodge Podge Market and helped with clean up after the "A" Fest.

Upcoming projects for October

- Winterizing of fire hydrants. All 456 hydrants are flowed, pumped out, and rechecked before winter. This will also identify any hydrants in need of repair
- Construction of West Victoria Street sidewalk from Arlington Ave. to Terrace Street
- Construction of active transportation trail on Robert Angus Drive and Willow Street
- Complete installation of bike lane signage and stencils
- Complete centreline painting for Town of Sackville
- Prepare salt trucks and snow plows for winter
- Check and repair Christmas decorations for installation in November

Capital Projects Update

- The East Pleasant Street reconstruction project is now complete and the one-year warranty period has commenced.
- The Willow Street water main replacement project is well underway. The water main has been replaced from Spring Street south past Webster Street. Street reconstruction is well underway in this area as well. Work will continue towards the high school as long as weather permits. All areas of the street that are disturbed will have new asphalt prior to the project being stopped for the winter.
- Street grading and curb installation are complete on Derby Street. Asphalt will be installed on Derby Street and Tantramar Crescent in the coming weeks.
- Construction on the new active transportation trail along South Albion Street will commence shortly.