

# Monthly Report

## Operations

**May-2019**

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We placed approximately 30 tonnes of recycled asphalt in potholes in April, bringing our total tonnage to 111 tonnes placed in the last 4 months.

The utility crew provided traffic control for street closures, repaired or replaced compost bins, and began replacing traffic sign posts that were damaged during the winter.

There was only 1 snow event in April, plowing of streets and sidewalks was not required, streets were salted only.

There was 1 broken water main in April, a cracked 6" cast iron main on North Adelaide Street.

Meter reading was carried out during the first 2 weeks of April. Meter repairs and high consumption investigation were ongoing throughout the month.

Nova Scotia Power began the replacement of all the utility poles in the North Tyndal Wellfield. The original poles installed in the early 90's are beginning to rot at ground level. This work is being carried out at no cost to the Utility.

We have identified a trend where we have been experiencing high turbidity readings at the wellfield in the spring of each year. We are currently trying to determine the cause and a potential solution to this issue.

The sewer crew have been carrying out bi-weekly sampling at the Treatment Plant and the regular cleaning of the Terrace Lift Station. The sewer crew have been cleaning the bar screen at the waste water treatment facility on a daily basis since the channel monster failed in the fall.

Operations staff assisted the Recreation department providing carpentry work at the stadium in advance of the Fred Page Cup.

Water and sewer operators attended the Municipal Public Works Association annual training seminar in Moncton NB. This seminar provides practical training, an excellent trade show, and our operators received 1.5 continuous education units for their operator certification renewal.

Other typical springtime activities undertaken in April were:

- Sweeping of sidewalks to remove traction sand remaining from the winter
- Street sweeper started initial cleaning of all streets
- Lawn damage from snow plowing was repaired
- Broken asphalt curb was collected
- Outdoor rink was dismantled and stored

There were no major mechanical issues with the equipment during the month. The mechanic started the servicing and inspection of the summer maintenance equipment to ensure all the gear is ready to go in May.

Upcoming / ongoing projects for May:

- Patching of potholes with recycled hot mix asphalt
- Solid waste collection from on street receptacles and parks
- Painting of crosswalks, stop bars, parking stalls, and street centreline
- Operations seasonal staff return to work
- Completion of the Robert Angus and Willow Street Active Transportation gravel trail

The Willow Street reconstruction project will commence in May with work continuing on the lower portion of the street. In July work will start on the reconstruction of the upper portion of Willow – from approximately Walter Purdy Drive to East Pleasant Street.