

# Public Works & Utilities Report

## January 11, 2023 – February 15, 2023

### HR

- Dawson
  - o 1 Day Sick
- Duane
  - o Off 3 hours for Doctor.
- Nathan fitting in well and is learning quickly.

### Utilities

- Continuing showing and training Nathan in various aspects of the utility in preparation or as they come up.
- Monthly sewer and well checks and data logging on going.
- Daily morning and afternoon checks and daily data logging on going.
- Ongoing ordering of chemicals and supplies for the water treatment plant.
- Weekly bacteriological samples sent in; no positives reported.
- Call Before You Dig Requests: 9
- Met with Meridian Utilities about new gas line going into High School and located approximate location of our main and service lines.
- Ongoing cleaning of water treatment plant.
- Month end water meters.
- Turned on one curb-stop that was off since fall due to unpaid utility invoices.
- Two residents and one business had their water meters frozen and break the frost plate (two being the new R900 meters). Gave the plumbers working at the houses new meters to install. Ordered parts and replaced the frost plates on the old ones. Fixed up the business one with a bleeder until we can fix curb stop and turn it off in spring as business no longer needs service.
- Pulled meter information for two residents. One that requested it because they are always over, the second wanted it for informational purposes. Data suggests they do not have a leak and just use that much water.
- Provided a new meter and parts to Jake Schmitt (441 4<sup>th</sup> Street West) for installation.
- Provided a new meter and parts to Favreau Plumbing to install at Casper Issac's at 50 Main St. S.
- Haven't heard anything concerning our Neptune Belt Clip Transceiver. We still have Flocor's receiver to use.
- We still appear to have a leak or other issue in the system somewhere. Pressures and flows fluctuate rapidly and greatly at the water plant, but we are not using much more water than normal. Checked one main storm sewer manhole and didn't notice any water flowing and data at the main lift station doesn't seem to be signifying anything.
- Looked and tried out the Asset Management program. We like the idea but find it is hard to mark various items accurately with our phone when the GPS on our phone has a 5 meter accuracy. Will definitely look into it more when it's a little warmer outside and when we have time.
- Discussed with SaskPower contractor (Valard Construction) about changing out power poles throughout town.
- EPO Waterwork Inspection: Everything went well. A few minor notes but everything was in compliance and no major issues.

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- Signed up for ERRIS (Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations Reporting) due to the amendment of our permit and our discharge location being into “fish bearing waters”. We have to report once a year on various aspects of our discharge and sample results.
- Contacted
- Level Sensor at Lift Station starting to misread the levels which is causing the odd “low level” alarm. Ordered a new level sensor from Xylem and have to install it.

### Public Works

- Ongoing snow shoveling and clearing at our facilities when required.
- Ongoing sanding of primary intersections and Main Street when required.
- Ongoing removal of ice and snow at water plant truck fill.
- Ongoing cleaning of sidewalks, roads, parking lots and alleys as required.
- Constantly trying to keep the hydrants clear of snow. Cleared the ridges and shoveled them out.
- Ongoing cleaning inside of shops.
- Changed some light bulbs in our shops.
- Piled and cleaned up snow at snow dumps to maximize dumping area.
- Salted (no sand) Main Street and adjacent roads to try and burn the ice off during the warm week beginning of February.
- Cleared some of the road at tree dump to allow Hydro Vacs to dump.
- Repaired the clock on the front of the town office. It is now working and keeping time.
- Rebuilt guide wheel for tractor sweeper which was lost shortly after the first snow fall.
- Helped Taryn and office staff by moving some heavy and large cabinets at the town office.
- Hauled all snow off the sides of Highway #23 through town at the request of Ministry of Highways. Took 16 hours total with one of our contractors' trucks breaking down early in the second day. Highways said they'd pay us for the work to be done.
- Serviced welder/genset and got a new battery for it.
- Serviced the Loader, fixed some outstanding items and put new cutting edges on bucket. Tried tightening hydraulic leak under loader but to no avail. May require mechanic to come.
- Serviced the Grader.
- Loader got a flat tire. Integra Tire came to remove and fix the tire.
- Had Valley Service service and check over 2004 Dodge RAM and 2014 RAM.
- Main Street:
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