



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council
PREPARED BY: Sean McGhee
DATE: 18/12/2017
SUBJECT: Monthly Operational Report – Public Works Department – November 2017
ATTACHMENTS: Veolia November 2017 Summary Report, North Huron DWQMS Audit Report

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receives the Public Works Activity Report for the month of November 2017 for information purposes.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Public Works department provides updates to Council on activities within the department.

DISCUSSION

Administration

Preliminary 2018 Operating and Capital budgets were developed and submitted to Treasury. Ongoing review of departmental operations continued throughout November.

Fleet

Fleet condition assessment and replacement cost analysis was undertaken. Review of options for tracking of cost associated with rolling stock continues.

Roadside

Tree trimming and removal continues along East Wawanosh roadsides and within Wingham and Blyth. This work is ongoing and will be a focus over the next few months. Ditching work was completed prior to the commencement of winter operations.

Hardtop

Seasonal work. Nothing to report for this reporting period.

Loosetop

Final grading was completed prior to transition to winter operational mode.

Winter Operations

Winter operations are now underway. Equipment has been tested and confirmed operational. All processes surrounding patrol requirements, minimum maintenance standards, and documentation have been implemented. Training in winter operation for new employees has been completed.

Safety Devices & Signage

All signs identified through the retro-reflectivity audit as requiring attention were replaced.

Bridges & Culverts

Routine maintenance of bridges and culverts were completed as necessary.

Cemetery

The Wingham and Blyth Cemeteries were closed for the winter season effective November 15th, 2017.

Streetlights

Delivery of the cobra head and decorative lighting fixtures for Wingham and Blyth has been delayed until early February 2018. The anticipated completion date of the project is March 31st, 2018 and remains unchanged despite delays in delivery of fixtures.

Municipal Gravel Pit

Site boundaries were identified and marked to ensure appropriate setbacks were maintained. A cleanup of the gravel pit area was completed to remove stock piled items in accordance with the operational site plan and Aggregate Resources Act.

Solid Waste and Recycling

Grinding and crushing operations were completed. Stockpiled concrete and rock was reduced to a useable grade for site maintenance and cover. All stockpiled shingles and wood were ground for use as cover material. The stolen truck was recovered in a neighbouring community and returned to service with no damages.

Capital Projects

Work surrounding establishment and implementation of two (2) cross-border servicing agreements between North Huron and Morris-Turnberry continued throughout the month of November.

Water & Wastewater

Veolia Water has provided a monthly summary report for November 2017 which has been enclosed within this Council Report for your review. The annual third-party surveillance audit was completed by NSF-ISR. This audit is a requirement under regulation and ensures that the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) systems are being met. Two minor non-conformances, and two opportunities for improvement were identified. Non-conformances were rectified using the appropriate processes and documentation.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

No immediate financial impact at this time.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

No future consideration at this time.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 3 the Township is healthy and safe. Goal 4 the administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.



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