

Public Works Report
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Transportation:

- We are ready for winter; the sander is hooked up, and has been utilized on the days that we have had snow, snow sides are installed on the tandem, and all equipment has been serviced and ready for cold weather use.
- All back alleys were given a once over in the previous weeks.
- Some gravel roads do still require blading, this will be done later this week.
- We have collected the majority of data needed to conduct the asphalt rating to be used in our pavement plan, and will be processing this throughout the next few weeks.

Utilities:

- We are awaiting to hear the dates to do our reservoir cleaning; we are anticipating this to happen before the end of the month; this will be a very closely monitored project in an attempt to not require a town wide precautionary drinking water advisory, users may notice an increased level of chlorine in the water system while this project takes place.
- The majority of the “outside” work for the water plant upgrades has come to a halt due to weather, scheduled upgrades within the plant building will be ongoing as materials are available for install.
- McGills has completed our sanitary sewer flushing, along with 4 blocks of storm sewer that has been historically problematic. We also had our floc chambers at the WTP cleaned, and the river pump house. Remaining cleaning to be done includes the North, and main lift stations.

Environmental Health:

- The old landfill site decommissioning project is near complete, only a few minor touchups to be done.
- Our chipping program was a great success, we managed to do all trees, and pallet piles, as well as a demonstration on various other materials within the landfill.
- Our compost and tree pickups are done for the year; if any residents still have any, we encourage them to haul to the landfill themselves, these items are free of charge.
- Reminder that starting January 1st, we will be contracting our waste collection out to Loraas Disposal. The Town is expecting some minor issues during this transition, but please follow directions as provided to make this go as smooth as possible.

General Public Works:

- Christmas decorations have been hung, and we are working together with Sask Power to get the ones that aren't lit up working.