

Public Works Report

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Transportation:

- Street sweeping has been ongoing as the leaves are falling, we will continue to keep up on this until it snows
- Gravel roads, including the highway bypass route have been needing graded more often than expected, we have dedicated more time to this, and will continue to do so as needed.
- Rick Neminishin joined me for a tour of town owned gravel roads to do a primary assessment on them, we noted things that we could do ourselves in the spring to better them, and he will be providing cost estimates for the roads that are beyond our limitations to fix.
- We will be doing another round of pothole patching before winter; primarily on Saskatchewan Avenue where it was closed off for construction, but also throughout the whole town.
- Salt has been ordered and mixed with sand in preparation for winter.
- Back alleys are in the process of being graded; with the Sasktel upgrades happening in town, we have had to skip over many due to either active work sites, or sask first call markings within the alley way, but have been in contact with the contractors to coordinate.

Utilities:

- Contech is nearly done the earthworks for the highway water and sewer project; we have one more spot fix in the sewer main that will be done today, we anticipate the sewer main relining crew to be here Tuesday to get started on that phase of the project.
- Strike has started our water treatment plant upgrade project; both on site at the plant digging in for the equalization tank, and beside our main sewage lift station tying in new sewer and manholes. We expect them to keep going until freeze up, and then return in the spring to finish up.
- ATAP Infrastructure will be here to install the new valve in the clearwell as soon as they have received all the parts, expecting to be a month or so yet.
- McGills will be in town within the next 2 weeks to do our annual sewer main flushing, as well as cleaning lift stations.

Environmental Health

- The landfill decommissioning project is moving along very well; the clay base liner is complete, and has passed all required testing parameters, and they are nearly done the subsoil layer. Remaining work includes topsoil layer, seeding, and fence installation.
- Compost pickup has slowed down some now, but we will continue to pick up until it snows.