

The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa Staff Monthly Report

Office of Infrastructure Services

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Preamble

The following report is based on the happenings of the Infrastructure Services Department for the month of September

Operations

September was a steady month of sidewalk replacement and road rehabilitation. Routine maintenance still had to get done with the packing of garbage 3 times a week and the still growing grass needing to be cut at the cemeteries and Municipal buildings. With employees taking holidays crews and jobs are limited therefore prioritizing what gets done in a timely manner can be difficult.

Hazardous Waste Day was held on September 11th this year and even with the rainy weather and pandemic protocols, the event was a success. With every year, the quantities of hazardous waste changes, specific products like paints and aerosols have been declining but waste oils and gasses have increased along with fluorescent bulbs and batteries. New contracts for waste collectors had to be renewed as the ending of one Provincial waste program ends and another starts up. Even though the hazardous waste day just ended we are thinking ahead as to how to improve for next year to get more of the Community involved.

Water & Sewer

The Water Department has a scheduled week with sampling of raw and treated water on Mondays and wastewater on Tuesdays. The flushing of problem sewers on Thursdays and the cleaning of the plant every Friday. This only leaves Wednesday to work on other issues that arise or need attention.

On September 29th, the Water staff, Chris Kresin and the Director of Infrastructure were involved with the annual water audit performed on the DWQMS by SAI Global. This was conducted over zoom for half a day with only a few minor infractions with recommendations for improvement.

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School Zone Project – the contractors have been working diligently to get the most out of the good weather with a bit longer days and the occasional weekend. All in all, the project is moving along with the roto mill arriving and grinding down as much as they could before moving onto their next scheduled job. With prep work done, the asphalt was being laid down with Magpie and Churchill first. Once the streets were completed, then it is on to driveway approaches and grassing boulevards. There are still sidewalks to finish and a sewer line to replace but that will wait till next year as the project is scheduled to wind down the third week of October with just clean up left for preparation of winter.

Sidewalk Replacement Project – with only IS staff doing all the work, the project is moving along as expected with the goal of completing 300 meters of sidewalks in site. From Chris Simon Drive to Churchill Ave, this will be the last section completed this year as the cooler weather sets in. The road and sidewalk survey will give an insight to which sections we can do in coming years.

Woodland Cemetery Expansion — Tulloch Engineering surveyed the new section with bench marks and elevations for referencing while preparing a design for the proposed site. I am hoping for a rough drawing in the near future so that we can get some comments from staff and council of what they would like to see.

Landfill

September was a busy month for the landfill as homeowners are doing their fall cleaning and preparing for storage for the winter.

The electronics bin was replaced with an empty one from GFL as the amount of electronics collected is on an upward climb. Nothing lasts forever and TV repairmen are becoming a thing of the past.

AIM, a metal recycler was also in to take a load of scrap steep down for processing. Hopefully this will be a common occurrence instead of once a year. Instead of taking 8 loads once a year we are trying to break it up into 3 loads so that we keep the site cleaner and quantities lower.

Nobody likes a messy landfill.

Infrastructure Services Forecasted Schedule

The month of October will be preparing roads for cooler weather, servicing summer equipment and storing them until next year and removing garbage cans and benches from Broadway Avenue. The stockpiling of winter sand is also slated for the month just in case of the "S" word, its good to be prepared.