



# WHEATLAND COUNTY

Where There's Room to Grow



## Request for Decision

February 4th, 2020

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date Prepared January 22, 2020

### Subject

Decision-making topic title

General Manager of Transportation and Agriculture Report for activities that occurred in January 2020.

### Recommendation

Clear resolution answering – what/who/how/when

**That Council accepts the General Manager of Transportation and Agriculture, January 2020 report.**

### RECOMMENDATION

Report/Document:

Attached

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Available

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None

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### Key Issue(s) / Concepts Defined

Define the topic, reference background material and state question to be answered

#### Public Works Crews

Construction Crew will move to Ridgeland to strip for the next crush once the reclaiming work is done at the Larsen pit. The gravel crew is stockpiling at Chancellor then they'll move to Thurn's to stockpile at Gramm's and Carbon Corner. Surfacing Crew is sanding and cutting brushes where needed along with winging back some of the surfaced roads.

#### The Hamlet and Utilities / WTS

Snow plowing, sanding, street clearing and snow pile hauling is underway throughout all hamlets. Equipment is being serviced and the fueling of backup gensets is complete. Fortis is on site trenching in power for new yard light install in Rosebud and in Standard there was a 20-foot section of fence damaged from a vehicle sliding off the road.

#### Capital Works

RFQ for Gleichen Arena Upgrades was posted on APC with a mandatory site walk through scheduled for January 22, 2020, closes February 6, 2020.

#### CSMI

Partners are continuing to review and negotiate the future cooperative agreements. CIMA is preparing a proposal and cost to review the engineering design of the CSMI project.

## **Land**

- RR 270 road widening acquisition payouts being issued as plan is now registered.
- Coordinating legal review of new agreements for gravel crushing and janitorial services.
- Assembling information and reports required by P&D for Sandum gravel pit.
- Assisting WRC consultant with routing challenges for Rosebud leg.
- Collecting and analyzing data in preparation of approaching private owners for land acquisitions for municipal purposes (not roads).
- 2019 road construction land disturbance drawings have now been received – will collect crop data and prepare payment requests for A/P.

## **Facilities**

- New water filtration system installed for the Admin, Public Works, ASB.
- Fire Alarm inspection scheduled for January 29, 2020.
- New LED lights to be installed in pole shed.
- Annual maintenance completed for Security System.
- Furnace venting repairs at Gleichen Water Treatment Plant.
- Floors were cleaned and waxed over the Christmas break at Admin, ASB, Public Works.

## **Gravel / Roads**

- A letter of intent was sent out to the successful proponent, Sage Management Ltd.
- Waiting for contractor to sign the Aggregate Crushing Service Agreement.
- Coordinating the placement of traffic counters with Public Works and Peace Officers in specific roads where speeding may be an issue.
- Gravel report with all information regarding the Sandum Pit will be submitted as part of the re-designation application for the future gravel Pit.
- Working on Tender for Line Painting.
- Attending Roadata Conference on January 23

## **Wheatland Regional Water**

- Dealing with frozen water and sewer services mostly inside homes.
- We have updated Operations Programs for Speargrass and Rosebud.
- We participated in an annual compliance inspection for Speargrass and some administrative risks were identified.
- We worked a skeleton crew over Christmas and there were very few issues.
- We delivered dripper notices to residents of Speargrass.

## **Agriculture & Environment Report**

- 2019 Environmental Update publication being completed in-house. Expected to go to print in early February.
- Upcoming events: Ranching Opportunities Feb 13th - Olds College, Jim Gerrish Grazing Workshop Feb 14th - Wheatland County; Shelterbelt Workshop Feb 22nd Wheatland County, Emergency Livestock Response Producer Meeting Feb 25th – Wheatland County, Farmer Pesticide Certificate Training Feb 27th - Wheatland County, Emergency Livestock Response Course Training March 14-15 & April 4-5, Working Well Workshop March 26th - Wheatland County, Farm Transition Workshop March 30th - Carseland.

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