



GRAND VALLEY

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Matt Bos, Director of Public Works
Meeting Date: November 12, 2024
Report Number: **2024-092**
Subject: Public Works Update Report – October, 2024

Recommendation

THAT Council receives the Public Works Update Report, October, 2024 for information purposes.

Executive Summary

Purpose

To provide council with information on the activities and projects from the Public Works Department.

Key Findings

A brief description of the activities and projects accomplished or on going in Public Works.

- Bridge 10 construction update.
- Annual Truck safeties and underoiling complete.
- Sign repair project completed.
- One round of fall grading completed.

- Sidewalk grinding project completed.
- What is coming up in Public Works.

Financial Implications

None

Report

Background

Ongoing monthly requirements of the Director of Public Works.

Discussion

Bridge 10 construction update.

Bridge 10 is coming along, and the contractor is making great strides almost daily. The representative from Burnside's has provided weekly updates and is pleased with the progress. The large main bridge precast components have been installed and the concrete deck has been poured. Contractor will focus on the retaining wall to the South of the bridge. An anticipated completion date is the end of November 2024. Until repair works are completed and the road is re-opened, Public Works may be required to temporarily change plowing routes in the North end of the Municipality.

Annual truck safeties and underoiling complete.

Annually all commercial vehicles require a safety performed by an accredited diesel mechanic. During the month of October, all the required Town vehicles received an inspection and all passed, except for Unit 45, which has been removed from service as of October 31st. An order to replace Unit 45 was placed almost a year ago and its arrival is anticipated for January 2025. Under-oiling is completed as part of annual inspections and all trucks and equipment have received an oil spray before the winter control season commences.

Sign repair project completed.

In October, Public Works staff completed straightening, repairing and replacing many signs throughout the municipality. This project was completed in order to address the recommendations from the 2023 Ontario Structure Information Manual Report that was

prepared by Burnsides. Staff have completed a visit of all roads, structures, intersections and roundabouts to complete the required betterments.

One round of fall grading completed.

Typically, mid-fall is a good time to start prepping gravel roads for winter. Public Works staff have begun fall grading and as of the date of this report all gravel roads have been received one grading. Public Works will continue grading as required throughout the fall and early winter.

Sidewalk grinding project completed.

In the last week of October Public Works a rented a concrete planer and three staff addressed pre-identified areas where lips and discontinuations were present in the Town's sidewalk network. Staff used the planer to flush these hazards off for ease of travel with a wheelchair or walker and to eliminate potential issues during winter control of these sidewalks.

What is coming up Public Works.

In the coming months, Public Works highlights will consist of mocking up all winter plow and spreader equipment to ensure proper operation and collecting the speed cushions on Leeson Street with the Public Works Director and Deputy Clerk working on distribution of a survey regarding the effectiveness of the 2024 Leeson Street traffic calming project.

Financial Impact

None

Consultations

None

Attachments

None

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