

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Matt Bos, Director of Public Works

Meeting Date: March 11, 2025

Report Number: 2025-050

Subject: Public Works update report – March 2025

Recommendation

THAT Council receives the Public Works Update Report March 2025 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 accomplished or on going in Public Works.

- Continuous winter event response.
- Moving snow in town.
- New tandem plow truck arrived.
- Three caskets lowered into basement at mortuary.

Financial Implications

None

Report

Background

Ongoing monthly requirement of the Director of Public Works.

Discussion

Continuous winter event response.

In the month of February Public Works responded to winter weather twenty-four out of twenty-eight days. Four of those days were extremely high winds where drifting was prominent and certain sections of road were closed by police order. In the days after the storm on February eighteenth and nineteenth a large snowblower had to be hired in to open many rural roads back to double lane.

Moving snow in town.

When time was found outside of plowing and sanding roads crews focused on moving stored snow throughout the town and pushing back or removing snow at intersections to maintain sightlines.

New tandem plow truck arrived.

On February 12th the new Freightliner plow truck arrived. The build time on this truck from time of ordering was approximately fourteen months. This unit is now named T45 in our system and will be put into service soon.

Three caskets lowered into basement at mortuary.

In the month of February three caskets arrived on different dates for storage in the basement of the mortuary. At times this is difficult to coordinate the proper personnel when having such a busy winter with road maintenance.

Financial Impact

None

Consultations

None

Attachments

None

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