



MUNICIPALITY OF **West Elgin**

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting

From: Lee Gosnell, Manager of Operations & Community Services

Date: 2021-06-10

Subject: May 2021 – Monthly Report

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Lee Gosnell, Manager of Operations and Community Services for information purposes.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on municipal operations during the month of May

Background:

Utilities

- Installation of 2 new water services on Stalker Line and Pioneer Line respectively
- May was a busy month for locates due to construction and residential work
- The Rodney reconstruction project kept utilities staff during the month of May. As one can imagine, when digging around buried infrastructure on a scale such as this, many unexpected things can take place. Staff have worked closely with the contractor to locate and diagnose these issues thus minimizing the effects on surrounding residents.

Parks and Recreation

- Park maintenance including grass cutting, trimming, debris collection and cleaning and overseeding kept staff very busy during the month.
- Washrooms at the marina and Miller Park opened for the long weekend and are cleaned daily.
- The decision was also made to open the splash pad early this season due to a stretch of unseasonably hot weather in May.
- Hanging flower baskets were received and put up during the week of May 24. These only located in West Lorne this summer due to the construction in Rodney.
- Staff cleaned and set up the arena in preparation for the vaccination clinic which was held on June 1.

Public Works

- Graders began preparing gravel roads for brine during the first week of May and by month's end had the majority of roads finished with the exception of roads which will be receiving maintenance gravel in June.

- Warm weather made the grass jump in May and both of West Elgin's tractors began cutting grass mid-month.
- Staff completed projects at the marina including gravel/brine on the new parking lot west of the basin and installation of overflow pipes from 16 Mile Creek. These were installed in hopes of preventing future flooding when the mouth creek closes up. Work is also progressing on the fish cleaning station, with a completion date coming in mid-June.
- Leaf and yard waste day took place on May 10 and 11, with normal quantities collected.
- Large item collection started on May 17 and took 2 – waste connections crews and 2 – public works crews three days to complete. The quantity of material was overwhelming and a staff report will be coming to Council at a later date with options for providing this service moving forward.
- Staff screened B gravel at the Municipal pit on Johnston Line.
- Crews provide support to the sewer repair/drainage work being completed at the PGTP
- Cleanup was completed on the lots at the west end of Gilbert Street. Excess material was trucked to the municipal landfill and used for cover material.
- Additional work completed in May was pothole patching, weed whipping, dead tree removal and assistance with local traffic control during 401 closures.

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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