

Date: April 17, 2024

To: Glenn Steckman, City Manager

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Re: Quarterly Report, Fiscal year 23 -24, 3rd Quarter

Road Crew

The third quarter is always busy for the road crew and this year ramped it up. The windstorms in January deposited an unbelievable amount of snow within the city and right away it was a race to clear the streets before the snow plows, skidsteers and backhoes filled them again. While still doing the other duties for Iron Dog and Iditarod, the road crew with the help of Q Trucking, Stampede and BOT has hauled more snow this winter than any on our records. The previous high year was 2010-2011 with a grand total of 13,770 truck loads. Through April 16, the total is at 14,531 and counting.



Apart from building the finish line and ramp, the road crew once again made a track for the kids snow machine race out on the inner harbor.

Building Maintenance

The building maintenance crew has kept busy this quarter with the normal keeping the boilers going and the walkways shoveled off. They also helped the contractor in getting the new siren installed at the snow dump. This installation and the repair of the airport siren brings us to 50% on the sirens. We are currently waiting for parts on the remaining two. Building maintenance also has been helping out with

the swimming pool activities. A ventilation fan was installed in the mechanical room to replace the undersized squirrel cage which hasn't been able to keep up with the needed volume. Next up is a duct to the outside to bring in cooler, fresh air. The building maintenance crew received some training on the boom lift and then put that training into use with the siren installation and in removing ice from the rec center and public safety building roofs.



Landfill

The landfill is working on replacing the gas driven hydraulic pump for the can crusher with an electric version to cut down on the noise in the building. Similarly, we are replacing the gas driven welder with an electric version. The new litter vacuum has arrived and is ready to go after break up.

Moving On

There are a bunch of projects we are pursuing this coming summer. Some are to work on and hopefully finish the repairs from Merbock. Others include drainage and dust control. We are hoping to have a fully grassed T-ball park completed by the end of the summer