

# CITY OF OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK

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Office of the City Manager

MEMO TO: City Council  
FROM: Sarah Purdy, City Manager *SP*  
DATE: November 15, 2018  
SUBJECT: Update 18/42

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**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be no update next week due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

## **150<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION COMMEMORATIVE GLASSES-**

If you haven't purchased one yet, they are still available for \$5 and can be found at the following places:

- Dobisky Visitors' Center, 100 Riverside Avenue
- City Clerk's office at City Hall, 330 Ford Street
- Frederic Remington Museum, 303 Washington Street
- Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce, 1 Bridge Approach

If you have any questions please contact the Ogdensburg Parks & Recreation Department at 315-393-1980.

**PRESCOTT-OGDENSBURG FERRY** - The working group has met several times this fall to develop a Request for Proposals for a feasibility study, issue the RFP, and receive and review responses. The group expects to make a selection shortly, and have the selected consultant begin the study in December, with study completion anticipated in the spring.

## **PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE**

Overtime –

RC = Required or Contractual

	11/8 to 11/14
Sewer Beepers (RC)	10.67
On-Call Supervisors (RC)	4
Waste Water Treatment (RC)	21.33
Water Issues	8
Snow and Ice	30
TOTAL HOURS	74
RC	36
Other	38

### Snow & Ice

- The season has begun! We had to sand or plow three times over the last several days.
- As usual, we are experiencing some minor issues (blown hoses, etc.) as we start to use the equipment for the first time this season. Mechanics and staff have been great about getting issues resolved and the trucks back on the streets.

### Waste Water Treatment Project Update

- WWTP Other Related Items:
  - The Village of Heuvelton's grant funding for their decommissioning study has been approved. Work to commence soon. The meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup> went well and this has the potential to be a great project for our area.

### Water Filtration Plant Update

- One of four filters are being cleaned every two weeks. A filter was cleaned on 11/9. Our next filter cleaning is scheduled for 11/30.

### Building & Grounds Maintenance

- Linden Street Property – Trailer has been demolished and the property cleaned up for sale.
- Streetlights
  - Spring Street Bridge – Lights are in the process of being repaired. Two lights were just bulb related, but the other 8 required some effort to get into the electrical boxes built into the side of the bridge. We have ordered the necessary fuses which should be here next Monday. Some lights will require rewiring.
  - Arterial Towers – parts / bulbs have been received and will be addressed over the next several days based upon equipment and manpower availability.

#### Equipment

- Having significant engine issues with Unit 7 (step van). Estimate on this 1984 vehicle is \$6,000-\$7,000.
- Trackless – new rear brakes being installed.
- Pickup #395 – floor boards are rotted. Mechanics found used replacement in salvage yard and will make repair over the next two weeks.

#### Road Cuts / Pot Holes

- We will be using cold patch until hot mix is available again next spring.

#### Water / Sewer

- Performing water and sewer services as they arise.
- We are addressing sink holes.

#### Brush Pickup / Landfill Operations

- Brush pick up is in full swing. We will make several passes through the City over the next few weeks. The last day to place material out for pick up is Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Material placed out after this date will not be picked up until spring.
- Issues related to pick up are minimal, but we are still seeing the following:
  - Material is being piled against poles, fences, trees, etc.
  - Prohibited material is being placed in piles.
  - Animal feces is being placed / hidden in piles.
  - Material / piles are being placed in the street.
  - Individuals are placing their material on other people's property.Piles in violation will not be picked up until corrective action has been taken.

#### Trees

- Trees are being addressed at this time. Contractors began work Wednesday, November 14 on approximately 20 trees that are beyond our equipment capabilities. There has been a total of 70 work orders created to evaluate, trim, and remove trees throughout the entire City.
- Stumps / Top Soil – work is being completed as manpower becomes available.

#### Storm Drops / Cleaning Sewer Mains

- Fall flushing of sewer mains is close to completion.
- Vector team is now back on cleaning drops when they are not working on other crews.