



Staff Report

Operations – Water & Wastewater Services

Report To: Committee of the Whole
Meeting Date: October 19, 2021
Report Number: CSOPS.21.068
Title: Water Operations Update May 2021 - August 2021
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A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.21.068 entitled “Water Operations Update May 2021 to August 2021” for their information.

B. Overview

This staff report provides an overview of the Town’s drinking water system activities for the period of May 2021 to August 31, 2021. The Town continues to provide quality drinking water to Town residents and visitors in compliance with regulatory requirements.

C. Background

Ensuring the safety and quality of the Town’s drinking water is not only the responsibility of the Water Operators who operate and maintain the system but also the members of Municipal Council and Municipal Officials who exercise decision-making authority regarding the system. The Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002 (SDWA) includes a statutory standard of care for individuals who have oversight responsibilities for municipal drinking water systems. The SDWA does not require Municipal Officials to be experts in drinking water but does require officials to be informed. This report provides regular updates to ensure Council are current in the operations of the system.

The purpose of Attachment # 1 – Water Operations Update is to provide regular up-to-date information with regards to the status of the operation of the Town’s drinking water system and to report on water quality issues for the period of May 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

This report addresses:

- System Information
- Raw, Treated and Distribution Water Quality Data

- Staff Training
- Management Review
- Internal Audit
- Water Treatment Plant and Water Booster Station Maintenance Summary
- Distribution System Summary
- Summary of Plant Flows
- Watermain Break Summary
- Incidents of Adverse Water Quality
- Water Quality Concerns / Resident Complaints

D. Analysis

Attachment # 1 demonstrates that Water Operators continue to provide quality drinking water to users while ensuring long-term sustainability of the system through preventative maintenance programs.

E. Strategic Priorities

1. Communication and Engagement

We will enhance communications and engagement between Town Staff, Town residents and stakeholders

2. Organizational Excellence

We will continually seek out ways to improve the internal organization of Town Staff and the management of Town assets.

3. Community

We will protect and enhance the community feel and the character of the Town, while ensuring the responsible use of resources and restoration of nature.

4. Quality of Life

We will foster a high quality of life for full-time and part-time residents of all ages and stages, while welcoming visitors.

F. Environmental Impacts

Provision of safe drinking water.

G. Financial Impacts

None.

H. In Consultation With

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Scott Hill, Water Supervisor

I. Public Engagement

The topic of this Staff Report has not been the subject of a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required. However, any comments regarding this report should be submitted to Meg Boyd Water & Wastewater Compliance & Efficiency Coordinator wwwinquiries@thebluemountains.ca.

J. Attached

1. Water Section Operations Update May 2021 – August 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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