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Mayor's Monthly Message

June 2018

I was disappointed to receive the resignation of Chief Thomas Hodder at the beginning of the month. He has faithfully served our community as Fire Chief for just over five years. Thomas has been a strong advocate in that time for the volunteers of the department that serve Stirling. The department has invested countless hours in training and development over the last few years as well as making significant financial investments in equipment and tools required to protect our community. Council thanks Thomas for his diligent service and wishes him well as he enjoys a little more free time with his family.

While change can be difficult, it also brings new opportunities. Council was pleased to formally ratify the appointment of Robin (Rob) Fisher as our new Fire Chief based on the strong recommendation of members of the fire department association. Chief Fisher brings a new perspective to the department with a background in fire safety consulting, search & rescue, as well as experience in firefighting training and instruction. Rob has many new ideas to build upon the existing strong foundation in the department. A key focus will be increasing the availability of fire education and awareness resources for all community members. We look forward to working with Chief Fisher and the department to chart a course to sustain a highly qualified and well equipped fire service in the Village.

Construction season is well underway in Stirling. The sewer mainline replacement project along 2nd Avenue will require 4-6 weeks of traffic disruption. These are very deep utilities and ensuring worker safety is key. There was a water outage on Thursday, June 28 after a contractor ruptured the water main during work on the sewer mainline. The break occurred in an area that was difficult to isolate and, unfortunately, shutting off water to the entire Village was required.

Our road rehabilitation program has also begun with a total of eight internal blocks slated to be rebuilt and oiled by the end of the season. In addition, this year will see 8th Street rehabilitated all the way to the waste transfer station. Council continues to prioritize all available capital funds to support road improvements based on resident feedback. Construction is, as always, dependent on the weather and a few other variables. Thank you to all residents for their patience as we work to renew critical infrastructure. Remember to pay attention to all barriers and safety signs.

Look for the annual Stirling Settler Days information flyer to hit your mailbox in the first week of July. Many events to attend and enjoy with your families over 3 very busy days from Thursday, July 19th to Saturday, July 21st. A huge thank you to all the members of our recreation committee in addition to the dozens of volunteers that devote so much time to ensure a memorable event for the community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trevor Lewington'.

Trevor Lewington

Have a comment? Question? Idea? Suggestion?

I'd love to hear from you.

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