



Construction Newsletter #3 – July 2, 2020

Berford Street Reconstruction and Streetscaping Improvement Project George Street to Division Street

What happened this week?

The Contractor, Bridge Excavating Ltd., completed the Closed-circuit TV video inspection of the storm and sanitary sewers to locate the connections from the mains to the buildings.

Bridge completed the installation of the temporary water supply for all properties within the construction zone. The temporary water lines are the narrow blue pipes situated along the curblin. Once installed, water quality samples were taken from the temporary lines to ensure that they are suitable to convey potable water. The provision of a temporary water supply ensures that service disruption is minimized.

The traffic detour signage to direct vehicular traffic around the construction zone was installed. Downtown Business wayfinding signage was also installed to assist vehicles and pedestrians to find specific businesses and public parking lots. Berford Street was closed for construction on Wednesday, July 1st at 9:00 am.

Test pits for geotechnical (soil) investigation and sampling were completed.

Approximately 90% of the pre-condition surveys have been completed. Scheduling has been challenging; it is recommended that if requested, you provide access to the interior of the building for this purpose. Surveys of buildings within the affected area are conducted to ensure that the pre-construction condition is documented for everyone's protection in the event of a damage claim.

What is happening next week?

The temporary watermain testing results came back as satisfactory so Bridge will begin connecting properties to the temporary services immediately.

Groundwater monitoring wells are being installed to observe groundwater levels during construction as several areas will require deep excavation and groundwater pumping to maintain a dry trench, called "dewatering".

Dewatering will begin this week to allow the first few sewer structures to be installed.

The surface asphalt will be stripped in preparation for excavation of the sanitary and storm sewer structures, which will begin at the intersection of Berford Street and Division Street.

A portion of the trunk watermain that feeds the water tower will be replaced on Monday to allow the installation of the new watermain and sewer on Berford Street. This will require the closure of the Division Street intersection starting on July 6.

Detour and wayfinding signage will be adjusted as needed throughout the project. The detour routes will change based on the location of work at any given time, in order to minimize the closures as much as possible. Notice will be given prior to any detour route/closure zone changes.

Road Closures:

Division Street from Berford Street to Bayview Drive will be closed starting on Monday, July 6th.

Berford Street is closed to vehicle traffic between William Street and Division Street as of July 1st.

The Beer Store will be accessible from the north end of Warton only, as Division street will have limited access at times.

Please use the detours provided and access Berford Street from Jenny Street/County Road 13.

Customer access to the businesses will be provided via side streets, rear parking lots and pedestrian access. If you require special accommodation, please contact the Business Owner or the Contractor's Public Relations Officer for current accessibility conditions.

Should you be a business owner and require accommodation for deliveries, please contact the Contractor's Public Relations Officer.

Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.

If you have been thinking about lowering your water or sewer service, this is the time!

As part of the construction, the municipal portion of the water and sewer services will be replaced and, where possible, lowered to protect them from freezing and to allow better future servicing. If you have been contemplating or planning a replacement of your portion of the service, for example, to service your basement, replace the line or protect from freezing, please arrange for your contractor to carry out the internal portion soon so that any new holes in your foundation are in place when Bridge is ready to connect the new service to your property. Bridge will not install any new holes in building walls. For additional information on coordinating this timing, please contact Bridge's Public Relations Officer.

Who do I call if I have a question?

The Contractor has designated a "Public Relations Officer" (PRO) to respond to public enquiries related to this project. The PRO for this project is business owner Heather Gibbons. Heather is your first point of contact for concerns related to the construction or for personal or business-related accommodation needs.

R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited is administering the project on behalf of the Town. If you have any questions regarding the construction, you may also call a Burnside representative, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday to Friday, and your call will be responded to as soon as possible.

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