

WATER TRUSTEE REPORT

April 20th, 2022

On March 30th Katie led us on our completion of the annual water flushing program. It went well and as with every annual flushing some of the standpipe valves had to be coaxed open. It takes a team of 8 or so to complete the 2-hour process. Thank you to everyone on the water team that participated.

Just after lowering the water level in the water tank in March to match the reduced use in the winter, the pump in PH#2 decided to malfunction. We still do not know why, however the quick response by Cara notifying Phillipa on the change in water testing results and bringing in the expertise of Maureen, helped troubleshoot and resolve the problem quickly. Katie as well as other members of the Water Team stepped up to help.

Another example of great team work to keep the island water supply healthy and operating properly.

Recently we had a break in a residential water line. Lots of people jumped in to help with the fix. Thank you to Brian and Al Warrior, Steve Thornton, Phillipa and Gary Peacock. Most of the parts we need are in the shed near the reservoir. Sometimes called PH#3 it has various parts to repair breaks in the main line, standpipes, and other similar areas. Bob Crooks took some time before retiring from the water team and made-up repair kits.

Normal daily use during the winter months appears to be between 2500 – 6000 IG. Over the Easter Weekend we used approximately 21000 IG.

New Projects for Summer of 2022 –

Curb Stop

As previously mentioned, we will be adding a new curb stop to a property that was missed when the initial infrastructure was installed in the 70's. All properties are required to have their own curb stop.

We hope to start assembling the parts needed and digging the area up in May. We will communicate the project to islanders before we start and will be sure to mark it with safety tape and cones. If anyone wants to help out give me a call.

Standpipe

We also hope to be adding a new fire standpipe at the water tower. This will replace the old one that was removed when the pump house was renovated. We hope to get going on this project before the summer comes so that the Fire Department has a standpipe to connect to if needed. Ander may be leading this project depending on his availability and again we are always looking for people to help out.

We are always looking for extra hands so if you are interested in learning about our water system and want to help, please contact us.

Thank you again to the Water Team and all those on the island that pitch in to help when needed.

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