

PIID WATER TRUSTEE'S REPORT

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Remembering Cam Russell

We recently lost a team member, long time islander and a good friend to many. Cam passed away suddenly at his home this past weekend. He was always willing to help and volunteered for many island events and projects. In many instances Cam was the first person to welcome you to the island.

Cam read the water meter each morning in PH#1 and was the first to detect any leaks in the system. This information was passed on quickly so the water team could act and determine the cause of water loss. Cam also helped in the annual water flushing and meter reading and could always be counted on to show up for any type of teamwork. We will miss you dearly Cam, RIP.

Another team member Ming Huey Chang recently moved to Taipei City in Taiwan to help a family member. Ming was a dedicated Certified Water Operator and helped with all water team tasks. Ming was known for her excellent bakery skills and will be missed. Hurry back Ming, your spot will be waiting for you.

Phillipa and Katie are our Senior Certified Water Operators with Gary C. working on completing the exam. Garth continues to help with testing and generator maintenance, Ander leads us in managing the annual chlorination system service and air valve service, Velvet wears many hats and as well as being a Certified Operator assists in all spread sheet analysis and reports. New Team members Gary Peacock and Cara Hogan have sprung into action, are learning, and helping complete tasks. Thank you to all.

Upper & Lower Reservoirs

We recently received a notice from Dam Safety in the Provincial Government. We will be reviewing our water licence for the two reservoirs (Upper & Lower). They would be considered Low Risk under the Regulations; however, we are required to submit a report on how the areas are managed, secured to prevent unauthorized access, and maintained. The current water licence from 2006 shows them as being used for potable water.

I will be submitting a new water licence application as they have not been used for this purpose for some time and are primarily for fire fighting purposes. This may remove them from being classified as a dam.

Water Tank

The new water tank continues to perform at a very high standard with no issues or concerns. Contact has been made with Greatario to provide a short training session to Water Team members. This will be scheduled in mid to late February. In addition, a Service Representative will meet with us to review future preventive maintenance on the new water tank, including winter operation and testing of the cathodic protection system.

New Projects - 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.

Thank you to Mike Siska for sending me copies of the water system. PIID now has an electronic version which is stored on sync.

We will be looking for assistance to install this new curb stop. If you know of a license plumber or have equipment to help did up the area, please contact me directly.

Standpipe

We will also be adding a new fire standpipe at the new water tower. This will replace the old one that was removed when the pump house was renovated. We are looking for someone to lead this project that has knowledge on standpipe installations.

We are always looking for a few good men and women to join the water team. All duties and tasks are assigned by team members volunteering and sharing their expertise so we can all learn. Our goal is that all team members continue to learn new tasks which assists in sharing the load.

Water Quality

Continues to be excellent.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

- Weekly Water Tests – Annual Metal Test
- Underwater Line Testing
- Visual Inspection of New Tank and Pumphouses
- Generator Maintenance / Golf Cart Maintenance

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