

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: August 30, 2023

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Property Services Report

Property Services Director, Brandon Blackham reports on the following:

It has been a busy summer, in June carpenters flew to Buckland and worked on the principals list for improvements. Carpenters also flew to Selawik to work on the Riverside duplex remodel, this will be completed next week. Carpenters and our plumber went to Kivalina to work on the arctic boxes for water and sewer and the fuel piping relocation. This is now completed and CRW engineering went out to site to assess the piping and suggest any modifications that are needed.

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| AMBLER | We sent 5 drums of unleaded to Ambler this summer, with the prices in town it was a money saver to send the 55 gallon drums. |
| BUCKLAND | Currently has a contractor working on the heating controls in the school, they hope to be done by end of August - first of September. We sent out new requested teacher housing furnishings. |
| DEERING | Our plumber Troy traveled to Deering this summer and installed a water filtration system on the school, their water quality should greatly improve. |
| KIANA | Our plumber Troy traveled to Kiana to fix and redo the main sewer from the school, this should help with the freeze ups they have been getting in the winter. |
| KIVALINA | The snow blower did not get purchased; we missed the window for receiving and shipping the blower in time for winter. CMI will requote for next year, the price has already increased. We continue to have problems with the water truck, 2 tires have come apart as well as several electrical issues. All these issues have slowed our ability to haul water. We currently have 2 loads in the tank and are well below our operating minimum. Wastewater discharge on the sewer plant is not functioning properly, Contractors are trying to find the issues. The new buses are in Kivalina, our mechanic will work on installing the VHF's in the buses. |
| KOBUK | We sent 2 drums of unleaded to Kobuk school for use through the school year, again it was more cost effective to send drums than pay the cost upriver. |
| KOTZEBUE | Carpenter worked on a roof leak on the JNES side of the school, and patched water damage in the lower JNES bathrooms. |
| NOATAK | Noatak teacher housing lift station continues to sink and be a problem, Drake construction is going to travel out and submit a cost for fixing the issues. I have reached out to the city, (they don't have time to work on it) New furniture was sent out to Noatak that was requested by the principal. |
| NOORVIK | Carpenters traveled to Noorvik and worked on the teacher housing windows, they were replaced on the 6 plex, any mold and damaged areas were fixed with the new install. |
| SELAWIK | Riverside duplex remodel will be completed this month, and the new duplex will be started this month. |
| SHUNGNAC | Drums of unleaded were sent to Shungnak, again it is cost effective to go this route. Shungnak's new generator has arrived we are working on getting it moved to SHG via Drake or Ryan Air. Once it is onsite, we will start the process of getting it into the school and the old one out. |