

April 2021





Water and Wastewater

The Water and Wastewater department is responsible for the treatment, supply and delivery of safe drinking water as well as the reliable collection and treatment of wastewater. The department operates in a highly regulated structure of federal, provincial and municipal regulations, policies and standards. The Verner facilities are operated by the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA).

Facilities

Field Wastewater Treatment Plant Sturgeon Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant Sturgeon Falls Water Treatment Plant Verner Water Treatment Plant (Operated by OCWA) Verner Lagoon (Operated by OCWA)

Services

Deliver safe drinking water to the community Provide reliable and sanitary sewage collection Supply water for firefighting services where drinking water is available

In 2020

- We received approximately 119 Distribution and Collection related service requests
- The Sturgeon Falls Water Plant supplied over 1.36 million cubic metres of drinking water to 8000 residents
 - → Equivalent to **3000 Community and Recreation Centre Swimming Pools**
- The Sturgeon Falls Wastewater Plant treated over 1 850 000 cubic metres of wastewater
- The Verner Water Plant supplied over **106 110 cubic metres** of drinking water to 1000 residents
 - → Equivalent to 240 Community and Recreation Centre Swimming Pools
- The Verner lagoons treated about **260 000 cubic metres** of wastewater

Focus and Goals

- Continue to provide safe and reliable services
- Ensure safe drinking water and properly treated wastewater
- Cost effective services
- Preventive maintenance and upgrades of equipment
- Emergency preparedness
- Forecast and plan to ensure sustainability and growth



2021 Budget Highlights

- Maintenance and upgrades of various plant equipment.
- The purchase of critical water plant equipment as identified in the risk management process.
- Replace chlorine dioxide with potassium permanganate for manganese removal.
- Trial use of a sequestrant to aid controlling discolouration due to manganese in the Verner water supply.
- Belanger Street construction including sanitary and storm sewer collection upgrades.
- Assuming the Class Environmental Assessment and public input are favourable for Sturgeon Falls to supply the drinking water system for Verner, attain an agreement with CPR and start the design work.

Previously approved projects

- Complete the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to determine preferred option to supply drinking water in Verner.
- Engineering design services for Nipissing, Ethel, Main, King, and Salter Streets (to be shovel ready for grants)



2021 Budget

	2020			2021		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance	
Revenues						
Provincial Grant	-	-	-	-	-	
Rate Revenue	5,817,803	5,818,973	(1,170)	5,818,973	-	
Interest Revenue	13,826	15,000	(1,174)	15,000	-	
Other Income	5,966	34,500	(28,534)	34,500	-	
West Nipissing Power Generation	70,000	70,000	-	70,000	-	
Total Revenues	5,907,595	5,938,473	(30,878)	5,938,473	-	
Expenditures						
HR Costs						
Salaries & Wages	1,011,072	1,044,380	33,308	1,078,845	(34,465)	
Benefits	258,870	266,699	7,829	279,490	(12,791)	
Education	20,923	25,000	4,077	35,000	(10,000)	
Total HR Costs	1,290,865	1,336,079	45,214	1,393,335	(57,256)	
Operating Costs						
Advertising	-	500	500	500	-	
Contractors	104,355	200,000	95,645	190,000	10,000	
General Insurance	161,268	161,269	1	206,060	(44,791)	
Interest on Loans	401,365	407,233	5,868	358,554	48,679	
Materials & Supplies	105,419	162,750	57,331	172,750	(10,000)	
Office Supplies	20,773	35,800	15,027	35,800	-	



1,909,690	1,908,863	(827)	1,962,542	(53,679)
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1.492.025	1,690,500	198,475	1,291,000	399,500
53,811	65,000	11,189	65,000	-
333,707	365,500	31,793	526,000	(160,500)
1,104,507	1,260,000	155,493	700,000	560,000
784,690	783,863	(827)	832,542	(48,679)
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(367,025)	(565,500)	(198,475)	(161,000)	(404,500)
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(192,092)	(281,493)	(89,401)	(310,145)	28,652
(1,299,933)	(1,409,007)	(109,074)	(980,855)	(428,152)
1,125,000	1,125,000	-	1,130,000	(5,000)
2,174,639	1,908,863	265,776	1,847,565	(61,298)
3,732,956	4,029,610	296,654	4,090,908	(61,298)
2,442,091	2,693,531	251,440	2,697,573	(4,042)
19,098	21,000	1,902	21,000	-
440,678	551,659	110,981	541,659	10,000
334,822	295,070	(39,752)	320,000	(24,930)
145,922	123,000	(22,922)	126,000	(3,000)
4,903	20,000	15,097	10,000	10,000
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Budgeted Rate Revenue for 2020 5,818,973

% Rate increase 1.98%

Budgeted Rate Revenue for 2021 5,933,950

1% represents 58,190

Reserve Position as of December 31, 2020

Opening Balance 2020	978,383
Approved Transactions in 2020	-
Interim Balance 2020	978,383
Surplus from 2020	264,949
Ending Balance 2020	1,243,332



Summary of Dedicated Reserves as of December 31, 2020

	Opening Balance	Additions	Transfer to Capital Fund	Reserve Available	Expenditure	Ending Balance
Equipment Infrastructure	121,626	25,000	146,626 3,408,707	53,811 1,242,447	92,815 2,166,260	
Infrastructure (Planning)	2,308,707 18,037	1,100,000		18,037	, ,	18,037
	2,448,370	1,125,000	-	3,573,370	1,296,258	2,277,112





Rates

	2020 Rate	Proposed 2021 Rate
Water service	\$618.10	\$630.31
Sanitary sewer service	\$772.63	\$787.90
Both water and sewer	\$1,390.73	\$1,418.21

Capital Infrastructure

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	2021
Field Wastewater Treatment Plant	
Chemical pump	5,000
Programming/remote control	10,000
Influent pumps	5,000
	\$20,000
Sturgeon Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant	
Chemical pump	5,000
Replace weirs, parge concrete	9,000
Coat concrete	50,000
Baffeling for contact chamber	10,000
Grit Auger	40,000
Computers & software	60,000
Thermophilic treatment project	50,000
	\$224,000
Sturgeon Falls Water Treatment Plant	
High lift pump - preventive maintenance	30,000
Facility maintenance	30,000
Computers & software	53,000
Turbidity Analyzer	14,000
	\$127,000



Verner	
Level Sensors	5,000
3 Clearwell valves	30,000
2 Knife gate valves	20,000
Sewage Station Pump	15,000
Computers & software	30,000
	\$100,000
Lift Stations/Pump Stations	
Flyght pump for Bay/Cache Bay	35,000
2 VFD Bay and Cache Bay installed	20,000
	55,000
Distribution/Collection	
Manholes (2 M/H per year)	10,000
Belanger - Sewer and Water	320,000
Verner CPR Agreement Prelim Design	170,000
Designs - Nipissing, Ethel, King, Main, Salter	200,000
	\$700,000
Fleet	
Wastewater plant fleet	65,000
	\$65,000
Total projects	\$1,291,000

