February 6th 2018 Maintenance Board Report

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January has proven to be the maintenance departments most challenging month ever.

There were so many major maintenance issues that happened at the same time at various sites, it made it very challenging to have our buildings operational for school.

We had power issues at both Kalskag and Crooked Creek that had the potential to cause major damage to our buildings. We also had heating issues in Crooked Creek, Aniak, Kalskag, Stony River, and Chuathbaluk. All of theses issues happened at nearly the same time.

The AJSHS main waterline formed a crack under ground and we had to dig it up and repair it before school started. We also had the gym furnace go down during the recent tournament.

Stony River teacher housing froze up during Christmas break and the weather was so bad we couldn't get there. We chartered 3 different times and each charter turned around due to bad weather. We also just recently had the heat go down in Stony River over the weekend.

In Crooked Creek at 37 below our heating system was only able to keep the building at about 60 degrees running at its maximum. Also the cold temperatures froze the main sewer line and when we plugged in the heat tape the draw was too great for the Cities generator and shut the power off to the whole town.

We were under extreme pressure to keep our sites functioning and our teamwork with site administration made it possible to keep our sites operational.

Most all of the issues have been resolved and now we are focusing on making sure we have completed them correctly and doing anything we can to limit them from happening again.

Our department is involved in many different projects right now if the board has any questions or concerns I can address them at the board meeting if they so wish to.