

MANAGER'S DESK FOR FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020

WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

WELCOME TO THE MONTH OF MAY! MONTH 3 OF THE VIRUS PANDEMIC. WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT WOULD LINGER THIS LONG? AND PER THE GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN, IT'S ANOTHER MONTH OF LOCK DOWN.

WELL, ONTO OTHER NEWS TODAY. BACK ON APRIL 20, OUR ENGINEER, ALAN KILGORE, JOINED ME HERE ON THE MANAGER'S DESK TO TALK ABOUT THE PROGRESS OF INSTALLING THE NEW TRANSMITTER. TO REFRESH YOUR MEMORY, HERE'S ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I ASKED HIM AND HIS RESPONSE:

DURING THIS PROCESS YOU DISCOVERED SOMETHING WE WEREN'T AWARE OF BEFORE. TELL US ABOUT IT?

[ALAN'S RESPONSE]

During our work, I discovered a hot spot in the general area where the main line to the antenna connects inside the building. This indicates failure of an internal component. A thermal camera helped identify what we believe to be the suspect parts. There is a possibility that the parts might fail completely when we open it up to inspect the damage. So, we need to identify the correct part numbers and have them on hand when we open it up for repair. We are operating at half power now which helped reduce the temperature and should give us more time to make the repair.

THOSE PARTS HAVE JUST NOW ARRIVED. TO INSTALL THOSE PARTS MEANS TAKING THE STATION OFF THE AIR FOR THE ENTIRE TIME OF THE REPAIRS. I ASKED ALAN ON WEDNESDAY WHEN HE WAS PLANNING TO MAKE THE REPAIRS. THE PLAN IS TO DO THE REPAIR IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT SO AS TO AFFECT THE FEWEST NUMBER OF LISTENERS. WHICH NIGHT HAD NOT BEEN DETERMINED. I TOLD HIM I WOULD BE WILLING TO ASSIST HIM. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN YOU CAN EXPECT US TO GO OFF THE AIR. BY THE WAY, EVEN WHEN THE RADIO SIGNAL GOES OFF YOU'LL STILL BE ABLE TO HEAR US ONLINE VIA YOUR COMPUTER OR ON THE WRVM RADIO APP. BUT, PRAY WE HAVE ALL OF THE NECESSARY REPLACEMENT PARTS; THAT WE DON'T FIND EVEN MORE DAMAGE INSIDE THAT CANNOT BE SEEN FROM THE OUTSIDE. ONCE WE TAKE IT APART BEING ABLE TO PUT IT BACK TOGETHER IS VERY IMPORTANT.

IT'S ANOTHER UNEXPECTED EXPENSE DURING A SHAKY ECONOMIC TIME. WE APPRECIATE YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND PRAYERS.

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