



TOWN OF READFIELD

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Town Manager Report

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Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- Frost Heave signs are being placed “as necessary” around town. Please let us know if we’ve missed a bad bump!
- The Holder had another PTO problem and is out of service. A replacement is being ordered. We hope to have seen the last of the winter weather and are actively planning spring work.
- The last few storms proved to be quite heavy and hard to manage. We had road complaints nearly town-wide. John and his crew worked to clear the roads as quickly as possible. 135 North and South (Gorden and Stanley) were particularly bad. John had to bring out his grader to scrape them at times. Conditions should be much better next winter after the road is repaved by the state.
- An RFP for Cemetery Tree Work in Readfield Corner will go out this week.
- We are preparing an RFP for repair of the Salt/Sand building and will be meeting with one of more engineers on Friday of this week. We have used nearly all of our road materials.
- We received a radar speed feedback sign from the Maine Local Roads Center (valued at around \$3,000 - Thank You) and have purchased a trailer to mount it on, as has been done in other towns. As soon as temps rise and things melt back we will have it out on the roads!

Administration & Personnel:

- We now have a back-up CEO and LPI. Both have served the Town in these roles before and are available in Gary is sick, or on vacation as he was two weeks ago. Clif Buuck is our back-up CEO and George Barr is our back-up LPI.
- Legal review is in process for the Property Tax Assistance Ordinance and Animal Control Ordinance. Review of the Cemetery Ordinance is complete and LUO changes are being reviewed by the Planning Board.

Transfer Station

- The Transfer Station access road is gradually improving as the banks melt back and material that has been added works its way in and binds together. While major repairs to the base material and drainage this spring will help in the future, we are also planning to pave the access road in late summer or early fall once the base gravel has settled.
- Please remember that residents can take a reasonable amount of compost from the Transfer Station pile to enrich your gardens or use as mulch.

Announcements:

- We have an important Public Budget Meeting on March 29 at the Town Office at 6:30pm. Please come to learn about the budget and provide feedback. All are welcome to attend.
- Nomination papers are available and due back April 13.