



TOWN OF READFIELD

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Town Manager Report

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Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- The new sand shed is complete and installed at the Transfer Station. Sand is for Readfield residents only and there is a two-bucket limit. Sand can be picked up at any time, not only when bad weather is expected or occurring. Also, Sand buckets are available for delivery to any residents needing assistance, free through the Age Friendly Committee and Handy helpers Program. Call the Town Office at 685-4939 to request a bucket!
- Snow conditions are favorable for roadside brush work and it will continue as long as possible.
- Winter road maintenance has been much heavier than in past years. This has no impact on our fixed price contract, but I do expect to see us go over our materials budget
- We now have a complete setup for the Bobcat to be able to perform sanding on the sidewalks and tight areas. This will be particularly helpful after storms and after melt/freeze events.
- Work on the Maranacook Lake Outlet Dam will be starting as soon as water levels drop. I want to thank Larry Perkins and Roland Cote for agreeing to serve as our on-site representatives, volunteering their years of experience and expertise to ensure the work is done properly.

Administration & Personnel:

- I want to officially announce that Robin Lint, our Town Clerk for the past 15 years and several more before that, will be retiring at the end of February. Robin has been an amazing asset and contributed well beyond the requirements of her position. Thank you Robin! We will be discussing the hiring process for a new Clerk later on this evening.
- We are having a new server and five new PCs installed this Thursday. We are also upgrading our email service and investigation a new hosted phone service.

Transfer Station:

- The Apparel Impact clothing bin delivery was delayed due to storm conditions and the new delivery date is set for December 18 at the Transfer Station.
- Freon collection was completed and now the remaining metal from the Freon containing devices is being moved to the metal bins. With the earlier grinding of the brush and demolition wood we now have a clean slate for the winter.
- We had a latch failure on the MSW compactor and I want to thank our Maintenance staff, Ben Rodriguez and Anna Carll, for their dedicated efforts to fix the problem.
- We have begun a desperately needed revision the Operations Manual for the Transfer Station. Thanks to Kathryn Woodsum for her assistance with this project.
- I am reviewing the use of space at the Transfer Station and planning on rearranging things to allow for a heated swap-shop area and better access to the bathroom facilities for residents.

Announcements:

- Last Chance Rabies Clinic - Tuesday, January 15. Pre-registration and payment required.
- Christmas Hours - the Town office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24 and 25.