



TOWN OF READFIELD – Town Manager

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Town Manager Report

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Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- The Maranacook Lake Outlet Dam is waiting on final control installation. This will be followed by operator training and spring clean-up.
- The Library Roof and Fire Station project is progressing well. We had a good turnout at our site visit in December. Bids were originally due this Thursday but we are giving an extra week for submissions following multiple addenda.
- Plains Road as the next capital paving project by the Road Committee and town staff.
- The Road Committee and staff visited salt/sand buildings in Fayette and Wayne to review replacement options for our current structure.
- Winter maintenance is ongoing.

Transfer Station:

- The new attendant building is fully functional and in use. Huzzah! Staff will take some time learning how to best use the building and integrate it into our operations.
- We had a tremendous volume of traffic and material after Christmas and New Year. The day of the week where the holidays fell, weather, and the absence of the backhoe were contributing factors that led to overflow conditions. We had to close the station a few hours early the Saturday after Christmas and almost had to do the same the Saturday after the New Year.
- Thank you to our residents as we work through these changes and issues.
- We are working on cleaning up a number of hazardous waste items that were squirreled away into the waste oil building over time.

Administration & Personnel:

- We had a staff meeting on 12/19 with some training but the focus was on providing staff support in various forms.
- We have a few different grant proposals coming forward for the Maine Bicentennial Celebration and I am working to coordinate them. We are only allowed two – one large and one small. Collaboration is always a good thing but in this case is quite necessary. It did raise the question of our “grant policy” which we may want to review – it is from 2003, fairly involved, and not too similar to what we currently do.
- The Age Friendly Committee is working on a community supper for March 14th. We will have a speaker from the State Bicentennial committee and may have a special guest.
- We have completed our conversion to the new “SQL” version of the TRIO software.

Announcements:

- Dog rabies vaccinations are January 15th from 4:30 to 5:30 at Gile Hall. Pre-registration is required. Thank you!