

TOWN OF READFIELD – Town Manager

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Town Manager Report

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Administration and Personnel:

- We had a productive staff meeting on October 19th.
- The State Referendum held Tuesday, November 7th went smoothly with thanks to Kristin Parks, the Town Staff, and our poll workers.
- The Veterans Day event on November 11th was well attended. Thank you again to our volunteers and Anjelica Pittman who took on much of the organizing this year.
- Please consider attending our annual Wreaths Across America Ceremony on December 16th and the Library Christmas Tree Lighting on December 1st.

Roads, Traffic, Parking and Safety:

- Winter maintenance preparations are complete and Matt Seems will provide an update later in the meeting.
- The official Church Rd. Sidewalk hearing, which will count towards our Federal Grant Compliance and present 50% plans will be held on January 16th at 6:30pm.
- We are finally at a stopping point, and tentative resolution on the P Ridge and Nickerson intersection issue. We installed several reflective signposts a few feet off the roadway. They have slowed traffic and kept the corner from being cut. The last step is to complete a maintenance easement with the property owner.
- Speed limit signs have been installed on Thundercastle Rd.
- The responsive speed sign / trailer is stored for the winter and will return to service when temperatures get above freezing in the spring.

Maintenance:

- Heavy repair work at the Library is underway with painting and finish work also progressing.
 Interior electrical work is mostly complete as well.
- Cemetery work essentially complete for the season. We have some additional work to do if weather permits and we are preparing a tree maintenance RFP.
- Thanks to Chris Cassiani for his contributions to the Maintenance team this summer.

Transfer Station:

- We are very pleased to announce that the Readfield Transfer Station is engaging with a new vendor "Call 2 Recycle" to host industry sponsored rechargeable battery recycling at no cost.
 We also have the option of recycling alkaline batteries but this does have a cost and will need some consideration by the SWRC.
- Thanks to Noah Ward-Rubin for his flexibility and help at the Transfer Station over the past few months. He kept the doors open on multiple occasions when we were short staffed.