

Town of Henderson Highway Department  
Report for Town Board Meeting  
Tuesday, November 12, 2024

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On Wednesday and Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, Suit-Kote (our paving contractor) completed “chip sealing” on N. Schoolhouse Road and Town Barn Road. This concludes our highway paving and resurfacing for the season. Shoulder repair on Snowshoe Road will continue as long as material is available. The material is a seasonal product.

On Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, Jeff Scott, an engineer with the Cornell Local Roads Program, conducted an initial visual inspection of County Route 123 (Harbor Road) at our request. He indicated that CR123, from the intersection of CR72 to the intersection of CR178, has severe water damage to the extent that it will require a complete rebuild from the base to the surface. All of the drainage and culverts should be evaluated and repaired prior to any rebuild. He also stated that there appears to be a need for additional culverts due to the volume of runoff from the steep hill above the roadway. Jeff indicated that the pavement on CR123 from the intersection of CR72 to the North, although narrow with some shoulder work needed, is in better shape and could be milled and resurfaced. There appears to be some additional culvert work required as well. He recommends that the Town have a professional engineering report prepared to determine the condition of each culvert and the drainage as well as the associated cost for all necessary repairs.

On October 16<sup>th</sup>, we received notification from LaFlamme Fuel Company that they had received authorization from NYS-DEC and the Fire Marshalls Office to install the new gasoline tank inside our fuel storage shed as long as the tank is properly vented to the exterior. Logan LaFlamme advised that he had registered both new tanks and that we could move the new gasoline tank into the shed. This was completed and on October 17<sup>th</sup> LaFlamme began plumbing the new tank.

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, the electric panel in the salt barn was replaced by our contractor along with the breakers. This work had been requested by NYMIR, our insurance carrier.

On Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, the Fire Department used our paved driveway area to conduct fire hose inspections.

On October 23<sup>rd</sup> our employees attended the Highway Equipment Expo and Seminars at the NYS Fairgrounds to become familiar with new equipment and highway maintenance programs.

On Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, our Motorola Radio Rep. reported that they are still awaiting the final bid award process from NYS-OGS. He advises that there are no radios available at this time with the capabilities we need.

On Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> our contractor removed a dangerous tree from our right-of-way on Nohle Road. The tree was extremely large and in bad shape. It was split and in danger of falling into power lines and a residential driveway.

On October 30<sup>th</sup> we had our oil-water separator tank measured and inspected. A complete pump out and cleaning has been ordered through Solvents and Petroleum Service in Brewerton NY. We could find no record of when this may have been done in the past but it should be done on a regular basis. Upon completion we will determine the frequency.

On October 30<sup>th</sup>, the bridge inspectors from JMT conducted the initial inspection of the Game Club Road bridge. We are awaiting their report but learned that there may be issues with the wing walls and abutments. Mike Fuller from JMT advised that he was able to register the bridge with NYS-DOT and obtained a BIN# for the structure which will provide for regular NYS-DOT inspections at no cost to the Town. It will also allow us to access funding for repairs.

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, we hired Occupational Medical Associates to conduct medical screening and training for our employees on the use and care of respirators. This is an OSHA requirement of NYS- PESH. (Public Employees Safety and Health Bureau)

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, prepared and submitted the NYS-DOT Snow and Ice Operational Plan for final approval. The State contract was signed by the Town Supervisor on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, prepared and submitted a request to Jefferson County for reimbursement for Town work on County roads during the month of October. This request was in the amount of \$ 4,679.88.

On Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, prepared and submitted reimbursement requests to NYS-DOT for highway work completed in the Town eligible for PAVE-NY Funding, PAVE OUR POTHOLE Funding, EXTREME WINTER RECOVERY Funding and CHIPS Funding. This work was completed during 2024 . The total reimbursement request is for \$ 233,662.12 and is scheduled to be received on or about December 18, 2024.

On November 6<sup>th</sup>, our employees were assigned to NYMIR sponsored training in Fulton, NY for a workshop on Safety During Snow and Ice Removal.

Over the past few weeks our plow trucks have been serviced and are ready for the winter. We have received our first 100 ton shipment of road salt and met with school district authorities to establish communication protocols for road conditions on school bus routes.

On November 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, LaFlamme Fuel Co. employees completed plumbing and electrical work on our new fuel tanks.