

Foreman Report
January 2014

Roads

January has consisted of mostly snow removal. Most roads are in the process of being widened and snow banks are being pushed back to allow room for the next storm. The trees for the ice road have been put up, and we are all praying for an opening soon. The light at Griggs Approach has been fixed, the light shade was ripped off and hanging on the bulb. The rental of Greg Nelson's small bucket truck for two hours (\$45/hr) and two screws with a 90 degree turn was all that was needed.

A new stop sign has been placed at the corner of Main and County H. This stop sign seems to get hit by a car at least a couple times of year. The current solution is to fill a barrel with sand and replace the post and/or sign when it is needed. It seems to me that there is a better solution for this, for example a planter that would not move when hit or a spring mechanism that would allow the sign the spring back into place.

Parks and Rec.

The ice rink has been started and is functional. The plan is to dump one or two loads per week to maintain good ice, weather permitting. We plan on installing the lights ASAP, to allow night skating and other events.

Trucks and Equipment

The 1996 pick-up has finally gotten the new transmission put in and appears to be running flawlessly. A new cutting edge on the wing of the 98 plow truck has been put on. The 2-ton plow truck was given new belts for the hydraulic pump, and an engine oil change. 54 had a problem with is hydraulic pump, a new suction line seamed to fix it. The fire departments 4x4 ambulance had a couple of leaks and is being addressed by Scott and will be fixed ASAP.

Buildings

The library has had a couple of problems with there water line freezing. The heat tape that was installed was not working. I purchased some new heat tape and installed it in the problematic area. Currently there is an extension cord run though the craw space door, a more permanent solution will be done at a later date.

Administrative

I have been working with Keith and the crew to learn more about the duties as Town Foreman. I continue to add to my list of questions and work with Keith to get those questions answered. I plan on having him in the office sometime later this week. BBTP has many questions related to it such as when are the plumbers and electricians coming back. I hope to have the remaining construction plan outlined in Februarys report.

Respectfully Submitted,
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