

September 2016
Foreman Report

Roads

- Evan and William are almost done with the tedious task of cleaning out the catch basins for our storm sewers around town. This is a slow process of hauling buckets of debris out of each catch basin until they are empty of sediment. This job should be performed every 4-5 years to ensure the pipes are clean and the storm sewers are operating effectively.
- The culvert pipe that we plan on installing this fall was delivered. Our first one that is scheduled to be replaced is on North Shore Rd on October 10th.
- As mentioned before our street lights have been switched to LED lights. The first bill indicates that the charges will drop from \$270 to \$127 per light per year.
- The road right-of-ways were treated for the invasive species "Purple Loosestrife". A big thank you to the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission for providing this service.

Parks

- Ben, Steve, William, and Adam did an excellent job of staining the shower building and two remote bathrooms at BBTP. All three buildings look great!
- The pit toilets were power washed and cleaned thoroughly. In addition, the doors have been painted which has increased it's curb appeal tremendously. We are planning for a roof on this building for next year.
- We built a small day picnic area off the parking lot at BBTP which will have two picnic tables and two grills installed next year. This site was planned around a beautiful oak tree that gives great shade in the summer.
- Both camp host are done for the year. Rand and Bill did an excellent job of hosting and keeping BBTP running smoothly. Lets hope they come back next year!
- The grass never seemed to slow down growing this September. Dick continued to maintain the grass in the parks and town buildings. He is taking rain days off and will soon be helping the road crew with culvert jobs. Dick is scheduled through October.
- The pergola's garden was remodeled to welcome the fall. It was decided by Ben and I that the large Ninebark bushes be removed and transplanted to other town gardens. This opened up the garden for the planting of several perennials that will bloom throughout the season next year. Dwarf Ninebark bushes will be planted later in the fall that will only grow 1-2 feet in height; allowing visibility into and out of the pergola and a beautiful full season color.

Equipment

- Our new Patrol truck finally was completed and arrived on the island on September 14th. This truck will be our main work horse for the road crew; it is outfitted with a dump bed, v-plow, sander (purchased in 2014), tool box, and a very nice cab. This truck should provide the town 10-12 years of service and will be extremely nice to operate and helpful in our work.
- All other equipment is operating well. We will be prepping our trucks for winter snow plowing in October.

Misc. /Admin.

- I've been meeting with the Harbor Committee on the dock expansion project. We have edited the first set of drawings from JJR and are awaiting the newest version. Lisa will be providing the cost analysis and scheduled break down of possible construction and grants in the coming weeks.
- The grass at the airport was cut and a large area of bushes which were impeding the end of the runway were removed.
- Our safety meeting this month was "Hazard Identification". Everyone is responsible for identifying hazards and correcting them to provide a safe work environment for all. This meeting was conducted by William Hagen.
- The MRF roll-off truck has been running well, hauling our trash and recyclables. C. Baxter has been getting trained in to be the primary driver and should be taking his CDL test very soon.

Respectfully Submitted,

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