

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## General Services Division

### 2021 Annual Report

As Superintendent it is an honor to manage the General Services Division within Public Works and our members of the Team are to be commended for their 2021 accomplishments and continued dedication to the maintenance of our infrastructure. The diversity and can-do approach of our crew this year have been most appreciated.

Major projects included:

- Sweeping and Cleanup of all town roads and sidewalks
- Downtown pavement markings, crosswalks, and line stripping parking spaces
- Annual mowing of EMS and Scott Mitchell Landfills and rural roadsides
- Cleaned and inspected 300 catch basins
- Reconstructed several culverts and basins
- Chip Seal projects including MacDowell Rd, Hunter Farm Rd
- Reclaimed and Paved roads to include Hall Court, Whitton Rd., Nichols Rd., Keenan Dr., Lounsbury Ln., Taylor Rd., Taylor Ct., and Vine St.
- Shim pave projects to include portions of E. Mountain Rd. and Old Mountain Rd.
- Graded all dirt roads including Bass Rd., Bogle Rd., Slab Rd., Carley Rd. ext. and parking lots at the Recreation Department and Cunningham Pond
- Paved numerous trench excavations for utilities and storm drainage
- Assisted Utilities with gate valves, fire hydrants and emergency repairs of water mains
- Assisted Recreation Department with Grounds Activities and Maintenance
- Annual tree/brush removal along roadsides
- Maintained all street signs and were responsible for over 70 US flags during holidays
- Removal of dead animals on the road and the pickup of road-side trash
- General and routine maintenance of all town facilities including the Town House, Library, Recreation Buildings and Highway, Fire, and Police Departments.
- Maintained, mowed and landscaped the common pathways, town parks, cemeteries, and Recreation grounds along with the wells and lift stations for the Utilities Department
- Routine maintenance and repairs of the town's equipment and fleet
- Setup and removal of Adams Playground Ice Rink with help from Ray Eaton and Utilities Dept.
- Worked on the underground infostructure and install of EV charging stations at the Riverwalk parking lot
- Ongoing restoration and update efforts at the Peterborough Town House

The General Services Department as always is dedicated in serving the Town in emergencies of all kinds. Whether ice storms or winter blizzards, they always respond on time, 24-hours-a-day, seven days a week, to ensure the safety to school buses, emergency vehicles, and the public.

On Saturday, July 17, a torrential rainstorm hit the area. The excessive rain washed out roads and culverts which left several residents with no way to leave their homes. On Sunday morning, DPW staff worked to reopen roads and reestablish emergency services to the residents that were affected. For the remainder of the month DPW staff and hired contractors worked at making permanent repairs to the damaged infrastructure. I would like to thank the DPW crew who worked through the

weekend, the contractors and their staff that set their plans aside and came out to help the community when needed; Mathewson Companies, Mountain-Shade Excavation, Robblee Tree, Balcom Bros Rentals, and All States Asphalt.

I would also like to thank everyone who assisted us throughout the year. The help of other Town departments and officials is most appreciated in day-to-day operations. The support of the citizens of Peterborough through their tax dollars is gratefully received. Community support and pride in the services provided are the greatest motivators for our members. We also recognize and thank the families of the Department members who adjust to the many hours put in, often at inconvenient times, and continue to support the commitment of the members of the Department.

Faithfully Submitted,

Timothy Rose