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Monthly Report to the Town Manager and Town Council November 2022

The month of November was a busy one for the Public Works crew. We finished prepping the fleet for winter weather. We had a consultant come in to help get the drivers up to speed on the two new plow trucks we received this fall. He also helped calibrate all the trucks to try to be more efficient when applying sand and salt. We also finally received our sander attachment for our sidewalk plow. This piece of equipment should help maintain our sidewalks better.

As always, we assisted the Town Clerk with setting up and taking down the equipment for the November 8 elections and stored the outside ballot box at the Town Office.

The second week of November is when our paving contractor, Pike Industries, was able to come in and install all the base pavement on this year's roads and street. They paved Lee Street, Beck Street, Clifford Avenue, North Reynolds Road and the Ellis Road. My crew was then able to raise all the sewer manholes and catch basins to grade for the winter. Pike's crew and our crew then patched in all the driveways for the winter. Surface paving will be completed in the spring.

The weather cooperated enough for us to install a catch basin and 100' of storm drain on Dallaire Street to correct an ongoing drainage issue.

Wright-Pierce, our engineers have been working diligently on the plans for Chaffee Brook pump station and the Sunset Heights project. It is anticipated that the river crossing portion of the project will be bid separately from the rest of the project to ensure we can make the November 2023 window for crossing the Kennebec.

I myself have been working on responding to surveys from MDEP regarding future funding needs. They in turn will utilize this information to request federal funding for sewer and stormwater project.

In closing, I would like to welcome Patrick Gilman, a new hire for the position of truck driver. He will be plowing in-town. I believe he will be an asset to our team.

Respectfully submitted by,
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Public Works Director

