March Monthly Road & Property Report

Well spring is just around the corner. Our spring road weight restrictions just went in effect on the 8th. Now is when we do any maintenance on our equipment that has been on the back burner. We will also get our blacktop heater ready to do some early spring patching. We are going thru our street sweeper to make sure its ready to clean up the village, when the time comes. As the snow melts, we will be in the village cleaning up our plow damage from the winter.

During this time of year is the application period for the County road aids grant. This grant money is for roads that provide access to county owned forest. I am making a list of areas where some work can be done that would qualify for this grant. I am also preparing our road work bid notices to be posted. The goal is to have the bids in within a month or so.

We generally do many of our classes during the spring thaw. We had a diggers hotline class a week ago online. We have Miners Safety (MSHA) to do yet. We are also going to do some classes through UW-Madison for road maintenance & safety. We are looking to update our first aid training & chainsaw safety through WITC.

This early springtime is slow for road work, but with equipment maintenance & training, we stay busy. Please note we will be out to do some patching as soon as our pile of patch material thaws out. Gravel maintenance has to wait until the roads are firm enough to support the weight of the grader. As always, residents can report road issues to the town board, town office (715-798-4440) or directly to the town shop either by phone (715-798-3584) or email (cable.roads@townofcable.com).

Respectfully,

Jason Swanson, Road & Property Foreman