December Monthly Road & Property Report

Here we are, almost to the end of 2020. Hopefully 2021 shapes up to be a way better year. With the snow holding off so far, it has provided us with time to keep working on normal fall time tasks. I had to apply for a deadline extension for the Firewise Grant for Frels Rd which I received until the end of December. The contractor had been delayed due to the logging industry fluctuations and then coming down with Covid-19 and now being threatened with lawsuits from a Cable resident. We hope to have this resolved quickly.

We had both plow trucks break down on the same day when having to plow. The 2018 Western Star was just a blown hydraulic hose, while the 2015 Western Star had to be towed back to the shop due to a blown power steering line. We found the metal line assemblies to be very corroded. We had hydraulic hose made to replace the factory assembly and the steering cooler lines, which should last longer and also saved the town roughly \$340+.

We have been brush mowing as much as possible. The lack of snow is giving us an opportunity to get ahead. Timber Trail and Randysek Rd south of the North End Ski Club, are finished. We plan to finish Randysek and then do Phillipi, Kavanaugh and then onto the westside of town as weather allows.

The tree clearing for our two road projects should be done in the next couple of weeks and then we will be cleaning up any debris left over. We will be starting on the ice rink this month, hopefully we can get it usable by the end of the year. We are planning on doing some hand cutting of trees on Short Rd, Randysek Rd, Telemark Rd and by the Town Office this winter. The trees in these areas are restricting visibility, maintenance, and safety. The trees by the town office are dead and need to be removed.

Respectfully,

Jason Swanson, Road & Property Foreman