

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



I am pleased to submit my ninth annual report as the Director of Public Works.

At the Public Works Department, we aim to plan, build, and maintain all infrastructure, and help sustain public safety for all residents and visitors. The Department receives hundreds of calls each year from citizens. These calls help the Department respond to issues. Our full-time road maintenance crew consists of ten individuals managing 130 miles of travel way and more than 20 miles of pedestrian walkways.

Major infrastructure accomplishments during the 2024 construction season were the reconstruction of Bailey Hill Road, Weeks Mills Road and Davis Road, totaling over 27,923 ft of improved travel way and drainage.

For the 2025 season we plan to rebuild Holley Road and start the reconstruction of Main Street.

The winter of 2024 brought unusual patterns of snow, rain, and freeze and thaw cycles. Fortunately, we are prepared for what the 2025 season will bring. The crew's long hours, responsiveness and dedication make our roadway conditions clean and safe to travel.

During the summer of 2024, rainfall was above average. Due to several flash flood events, we experienced major damages and have successfully worked with FEMA to re-gain and re-build these unforeseen losses.

Lastly, I would like to thank the citizens and Select Board for all their support, and the other departments for their operational support when emergency events arise.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Hutchins
Public Works Director