

**WLLA Road Committee Report  
September 19, 2021**

**Winter Operations**

- John Weber and John Couturier from Frenchmen Excavating, LLC signed the two-year snow contract on September 15, 2021
- Frenchmen Excavating will submit proper Certificate of Insurance which will include Workers Comp by October 15, 2021, which is the start date of the contract.

**Salt Tent**

- The salt was placed back into the tent by Frenchmen Excavating on August 22, 2021.

**Winter Materials**

- Pricing for 2021-22 snow season for the ClearLane salt product is still not available
- We have enough winter materials ClearLane and anti-skid material to start the season

**Gravel Roads (Actionable items)**

- The remnants of Hurricane Ida caused storm erosion to many of the gravel roads
- Walker Lake resident John Graber volunteered himself and his own equipment much of his Labor Day weekend repairing all the roads off of Birch. This included the roads with the most severe damage. John used stone from our stockpile on Birch. The stockpile on hand has been greatly reduced.
- All the other roads that had storm damage must still be fixed. If we don't fix them now, they will continue to get worse every time it rains.
- After John Graber did the Labor Day repairs the next heavy rain eroded Pawnee again at Birch as the runoff water jumps the ditch. The culvert pipe at this location is damaged and needs to be replaced. Plus, we need to add some rip raps stone (larger stone) in the ditch line along Birch from Erie to Pawnee. This will stabilize the ditch line as well as slow the speed of the water flow.
- **Asked four contractors - received three Bids to replace culvert pipe and place stone with WLLA buying the stone**
  - Frenchman Excavating \$1,925 plus about \$500 for the rip rap stone we purchase
  - Field and Forest, LLC \$1,950 plus about \$500 for the rip rap stone we purchase
  - Warner Paving & Excavating \$6,680 with Warner supplying the stone
  - Empire State Excavating did look at the job and was going to bid but never submitted one
- **Asked three contractors and received two bids to repair the erosion on the remaining gravel roads that were not repaired Labor Day weekend and WLLA buys the 2A Modified stone *Note: Work in both bids slightly differ and based on timing of receiving bids was unable to have a meeting with the Road Committee to discuss the bids.***
  - Frenchmen Excavating \$3,000 plus about \$1,500 for stone
  - Field and Forest \$4,200 plus about \$1,500 for the stone *Note: Field and Forest also included in their bid to reshape some of the ditch areas to stop future erosion.*
  - Empire State Excavating was going to bid but never submitted one

**NOTE: If Frenchmen is awarded both the Pawnee Culvert / Rip Rap job and the Gravel Road Erosion Repair job the total price of the combined projects would be reduced by \$493 for a total of \$4,432**

- **Asking for a total of up to \$2,000 to purchase the needed stone materials. Any left-over material from a truck load will stockpiled for future use.**

## Asphalt Roads

### Damaged Culvert Pipe on Maple at Neversink (Possible Action Item)

- The culvert pipe at this location appears to have been damaged by unknown truck that cut the corner too short. This culvert pipe will need to be replaced.
- Hoping to have bids for this project by the board meeting time.

### Chip Seal

- Pocono Spraypatching did some prep work on a portion of Walker Lake Road. They still need to finish the prep work. Then do the Chip Seal.
- Each rainy day in which Pocono Spraypatching is not able to work pushes their schedule back. This jeopardizes us getting Walker Lake Road chip sealed in 2021.

### Special Ad-Hoc Road Committee

- Will meet for the first time within the next few weeks.
- Waited until it was closer to the end of the paving season to be able to get the contractor to come look and give us some numbers.
- Will share with the board and office the members very soon. Still waiting to hear about one individual with skills that would be very helpful to the committee.

### Signs

- Will contact the volunteers this week to see which will be the best date to get the new signs installed
  - Installation before the next meeting.
- Received a request from a landowner requesting a "NO OUTLET" sign be placed at the beginning of their road.
  - Responded via email to the landowner WLLA does not provide or install "No Outlet" or "Dead End" signs. 75% of the WLLA owned roads are dead-ended and have no outlet like your section of Oneida. None have a WLLA owned and erected type of sign as you requested.

### Roadside Drainage

- Will send Kathy a request this coming week to send Right to be Heard letters to the notified landowners that were sent notifications but have not completed the work.
- Received several complaints from a resident on East Shore about water running onto their property. Resident states that the runoff is caused by an unclean ditch line across the street.
  - The landowners who ditch line needs to be cleaned in that area have been notified
  - Must state though in accordance with the Red Book page 13 – "WL landowners (and tenants) are responsible maintaining the proper drainage to their property , as well as their own lawns and property"
  - The ditch notification program is a road preservation program. It is not a program that directs, implies, and /or decides water runoff either naturally or otherwise is not related to the road itself.

### Unimproved Roads Requests

- WLLA received requests from a landowner on Oneida and another on Delaware about the requirements to improve the road in order for WLLA to assume maintenance.
  - The landowner on Oneida was given a scope of required work
  - A scope of required work will be prepared and provided to the landowner on Delaware
  - Each unimproved road is unique so there cannot be a boilerplate scope of work to be used