

WLLA Road Committee Report

March 20, 2021

The Road Committee did not meet in March. There will be a meeting in April.

Winter Operations

- We received several small events from a dusting to about an inch that were mainly produced by lake effect snows. We did not have to spread any winter materials on the asphalt roads during these events as the residue from the ClearLane salt lasts longer on the road eliminating the need to spread more salt. Even with on days when the temperature did not go above the freezing mark the snow melted.
- We still have the majority of the third load of ClearLane we ordered. The hope is we do not get any more significant storms where we must spread, and the remaining material will be there for the start of winter 2021-22
- Once winter is over Empire State Excavating will be sweeping the asphalt roads which is included within the contract

Gravel Roads

- Gravel roads will be regraded when the winter season is over. A road inspection for this work will take place after April 15, 2021.
- Empire State Excavating will be regrading the gravel roads after the winter. This equipment and operator cost is already built in the combined contract. It is yet to be determined how much stone we will need to purchase.
- Warner Excavating has not started the ditch cleaning and improvements along Birch yet due to the significant amount of snow that was still present in the ditch line. Michael has been in touch with them and they will be starting soon.
- The road committee is looking into an inexpensive way to divert the storm water that runs from a rock ledge on Seneca. This water is part of the continual erosion problem on Seneca near Birch. Road committee will now have a recommendation for the April Board meeting.

Asphalt Roads

- Current road inspection by Michael shows numerous new small potholes. Nothing seen as bad in past the few years. It is expected that some of the small potholes will become larger during rainstorms prior to having them patched.
- A bid for pothole repair on asphalt road will be put out after the roads are inspected.
- Road Committee will access budget after the cost of the pothole repair contract is known. At that point they will look to do work based on priority need and available funds.

Gravel Road Regrading 2020 Proposal of Neversink between Birch and Maple Woods.

- This item is a continued old business item that needs further discussion and investigation.
- This item remains on hold to the Spring of 2021 at which time we will continue to work with the two resident landowners to find an affordable solution to fi the continual erosion problem of this road.
 - From the 9/19/20 report: On the evening of 9/17/20, Michael held a Zoom meeting with owners of 119 and 116 Neversink and RJ from Empire State Excavating to share information and brain storm for a possible affordable fix to end the continual erosion problem on Neversink off of Birch to the woods towards Maple). This road has needed to be repaired continually the past couple of years and once again has erosion issues since erosion repairs were made after Tropical Storm Isaias. An onsite meeting with the two homeowners along with RJ will be set up.
 - From 7/18/20 report: Michael have been communicating with the owners of 119 Neversink and 116 Neversink about repairing the portion of this road (Neversink from Birch to woods towards Maple) properly to stop the continual roadway erosion. The owners are involved because there may be a need to put culvert pipes under their driveways which they would be responsible

for the cost. No final plan or decision has been made as this in the planning stages. This road continually washes out and to continue to put "band-aid" repairs is just wasting money.

- From 6/20/2020 report: Neversink Road between Birch Road and the woods towards Maple Drive will need additional work this summer. The roadway is very narrow and the drainage is non-existent on the middle portion of the roadway. The sides of the roadway are already washing out with the few rain storms we received since June 5, 2020.

Signs at Walker Lake Entrance Points

- The date for the new sign installation is to be determined. We will be looking for a few volunteers to help with this.
- We will be inspecting all signs throughout the WLLA community.

Roadside Drainage

- We will start looking at ditch lines in April and notifying those landowners who ditches have been neglected to be cleaned in what appears as several or more years.
- No new updates on the Mulching Program as suggested by and discussed briefly by Bill Boehme at the November BOD meeting
 - From 02/2021: Steve DeMaio notified Bill Boehme that he located a local landscape company that does clean-up mulching of leaves.
 - This will be on hold until we get closer to Spring when Bill and Michael along with Steve (if he volunteers to do so) will work out a few more details to discuss the feasibility of recommending such a program to the BOD.

Speed Humps

- Will continue to see if this is a feasible option to slow down vehicles on certain roads. But the cost might be prohibitive this year due to budget changes caused by winter operations.