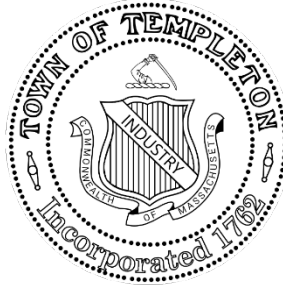


Highway Department Division of the DPW Department, Q4 FY2019 Report

April FY2019 – There was another load of cold patch material purchased to fill potholes throughout town. The Director has drafted a plan for the roads that will be addressed in FY2020 but the grant for the infrastructure modification on Orchard Lane can change the plan due to Chapter 90 funds being directed to the change. Lamb City Road was graded, and more millings were added to help smooth out the surface. Street sweeping of sidewalks and town roads begun, and a schedule has been posted to the town web site. Cold patch was distributed throughout town as the winter has taken a toll on the roads. The Sweepers have been out as weather permits. There was a repair done to the sweeper over a two-day period, the repairs were handled in house. A tree that fell and blocked Cook Rd was cut up and removed. Assistance was given to the cemetery department in Pinegrove cemetery for a large pine that had fallen. Another pine that was considered hazardous was removed in PineGrove cemetery. No grave stones or markers were damaged. The residents on specific private roads have been made aware of issues that need to be addressed before the next Winter season. These roads will be inspected in October to assure they are in shape for sanding and plowing. The highway division has filled the last of the laborer positions and expects to be able to serve the town with optimal experience. The highway department assisted the Builds and Grounds department in using the bucket truck to repair the cords on two of the flag poles in town.

May FY2019 – Brush trimming was done on Pail Factory road. Sweeping has moved to the Otter River precinct. We are approximately one week behind in sweeping due to mostly the wet weather. A spreadsheet has been formatted and some photos in gathering information for the annual surplus auction to be held in June. The auction will be in Closed bid format and the information was made available on the town web page. There was a lot of cold patching done this spring, this supports the need to have a HOTBOX as the road repairs are best addressed using hot and pliable material. The new mechanic is addressing the Preventive maintenance that is behind as well as addressing new issues. The new catch basin truck can clean drop inlets as well and has been an asset in various areas in town. There was an ice dam issue on Brooks road over the winter and it was addressed by ditching some of the roadside and adding riprap for drainage.

June FY2019 – A viewing of the items up for auction was also allowed and many came to assess items that were staged in the bays of the DPW. Over the rail mowing will begin on side roads. The catch basin cleaner has been working down Baldwinville road and will continue throughout the summer to all catch basins in town. Many old Ash trees were removed in Templeton center after an appraisal was done and many were deemed a hazard. The mechanic is staying on schedule with the general maintenance and attending to some other mechanical tasks that are needed. The relocation of the sand located at the highway department is in full swing, this is in preparation for the new salt shed. Continued improvements to the DPW office is in process.



Building and Grounds Division of the DPW Department, Q4 FY2019 Report

April – All positions have been filled in the Buildings and Grounds department. There will also be 2 part-time laborers after Narragansett graduation in June. All holiday grave site decorations have been removed from the graves in both cemeteries in preparation for Spring cleanup. Right now, plans to clean up the cemeteries and commons is in full swing as preparations are focused on Memorial Day. Boy and Girl Scout troops from Templeton will be a part of the flag placement in the cemeteries. The department has been meeting with the Veteran services representative to assure all areas are properly addressed for the Memorial Day celebration. The cemetery commissioners have begun to review the cemetery policy and will propose any changes at the May meeting. The cemetery foreman and the veteran service representative were able to get an inventory on flags and grave markers for our veterans. All needed inventory has been ordered and received. The Templeton center common was cleaned up as well as Baptist Common cemetery. The volunteer weekend at Gilman Waite field went well thanks to many volunteers that provided their time and energy, it was done in record time. Field mix on the ball fields was put in place along with stone dust on the walking path. We are currently revamping the filing system for the cemetery department. A fire proof cabinet has been added for the safe keeping of records.

May – The highway department assisted at Gilman Waite field in enlarging the parking lot to accommodate approximately 100 more vehicles for tournaments. The kitchen exit door at the senior center was repaired to assure access. Much grooming of the cemeteries was done throughout the month in preparation for Memorial Day. Boy scouts and Girl scouts will assist in placing the flags at Pine Grove & Green Lawn. Water lines in both cemeteries were inspected and turned on for the season. A much-needed upgrade to the front and side door approaches.

June – Summer help is on board and the weather has been cooperating so many areas can be addressed and kept up. A window was repaired at EMD building and other

exteriors repairs to maintain the buildings historic value. Shrubs in the cemeteries became a focal point as some were past their prime. Trimming and removal were done to improve appearance. The cemetery rules and regulations have been reviewed and some changes will take place.