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DPW – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT QTR. 1 FY 2024 REPORT

Highway Department:

- It should be noted that the Highway department is still very shorthanded this quarter with 3 employees out on medical leave.
- Beavers are a regular part of the crew's week. They need to check multiple areas regularly to remove blockages that could cause flooding.
- Crews have been repairing multiple areas of wash outs due to the heavy rains, as well as opening and repairing (if needed) multiple culverts. They are also trying to repair as many potholes as they can.
- Crews have worked on sweeping sidewalks and roads, but again with a limited staff this is not going as fast as we would like.
- Crews have been replacing multiple street signs as part of an ongoing project. They have also been replacing some speed limit signs, passing zones, and Stop signs.
- Several crew members took a bucket truck operation and safety class offered by UMASS, that was sponsored here in Templeton, and included multiple area towns.
- Crack sealing was done on Baldwinville Road, and the crew assisted with this as well,
- Crews assisted with prep and cleanup on Highland Avenue, Shore Drive, and South Main Street.
- There were 5 Driveway Inspections, 1 Road Cuts Permits, 1 Trench Permits, 1 Road Cut 1 Escrow Return.



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Building and Grounds:

- Crews continue to work on mowing/weed whacking at all town buildings, cemeteries, and common areas and parks. (Grass stayed green all summer keeping the mowing busy)
- Groomed softball infields, baseball infield, and walking path at Gilman Waite.
- Multiple burial duties, and multiple flag duties took place.
- Installed foundations for multiple stones and flat markers and installed some of the flat markers.
- Water line repairs were made in both Cemeteries.
- Assisted Highway department on several projects.
- Working on the replacement pickets for the Pine Grove Cemetery.
- Moved multiple items at Senior Center and Town Hall.
- There were 6 Interments, 3 Lot sales, 7 Foundations, and 3 Lots re-deed.