



The Town of East Greenbush

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PROGRESS REPORT **2nd Quarter Report**

TOWN HALL

On April 25th the Town Hall received some new greenery. Flowers, mulch and greenery was planted by volunteers.

WWTP/SEWER DEPARTMENT

Although slightly behind schedule, the project is steadily moving along. We are very pleased with the progress thus far.

TRANSFER STATION

The brush pile has been ground up and removed earlier than usual this year. Permits and punch card purchases are exceeding totals from this time last year. The employees up there have received many compliments from the residents on their willingness to help and keeping the Transfer Station neat.

In June, we saw the need for an additional receptacle for cat litter. This addition has helped keep the area cleaner and eliminate some the odors associated with the litter boxes. This might be something we should require residents to abide by when getting a permit.

Currently stationed at the Transfer Station is Matt DeFrias, Brian Ginock and Scott Comstock.

WATER DEPARTMENT

The Water Department repaired approximately 27 water line breaks since the start of the year. They have work many long hours under freezing cold temperatures and work very quickly to complete the. Great job! Throughout the summer months we will be replacing some older water lines.

In March and April well pumps and piping replacement on the Hampton Manor wells.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

We have great news to report on the Parks Department! We have installed a new basketball court at the East Greenbush Town Park. This was done by L. Browe Asphalt Services. We would like to thank L. Browe Asphalt Services for donating ALL labor, trucking and machine work. It wouldn't have been possible without them. The final touch to the basketball court was completed by Quality Lawn Care and Sealcoating. Owner Rob Yetman donated ALL the labor to seal the court. This will protect the surface for years to come. Thanks Rob!

To allow parents to enjoy watching their children play in the new basketball court, we have begun to install a shaded area for seating. This is conveniently located between the court and the playground.

We replaced the unsightly trash can at the Town Park with new sturdy, black receptacles. These will also be bolted down.

We have replaced two doors in the bathrooms at the Town Park. And we will continue to make improvements throughout the summer months.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

As with any spring, we have filled numerous potholes left by the frigid winter we experienced this year. We are working on determining what roads will be paved this year and what roads will be repaired.

We have just finished up the five week long leaf pickup in the beginning of May. Seems as though many folks are not aware that this service is only for five weeks (Every Monday in April and first Monday in May). However, the pickups continue into Tuesdays. And staff has picked up numerous bags as they drive along the roads of East Greenbush throughout the spring.

We have removed various trees that were no longer alive or were of safety concerns. The stumps have been ground down and areas have been graded and seeded where possible.

MS4 started in May and continued through June. For those not familiar with the term MS4 is it Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems. This is a storm water management program, which we are doing our best to keep up with.

We corrected the drainage issue on Connecticut Avenue in June. In the upcoming weeks we will address an issue on Plaza Avenue where the pipe under the road is collapsing.

Crews will be cleaning and clearing retentions ponds at the end of summer.

Bruce Adams Roofing Contracting, Inc. did the roof replacement.

We partnered up with National Grid and Hope to change out the lighting at the DPW garage, inside and out, to come into the 21st century and become more energy efficient.

Mowing and sweeping is a continuous chore done by the men all spring, summer and into the fall.

Later in the month of June, we realized that the guardrails on the Mill Creek ó Old Troy Road Bridge had been damaged. Repairs to the guardrails has been completed. Upon further inspection, the bridge itself is in need of repairs. These repairs will be done in the future.

We are attempting to complete all necessary work in a timely fashion. However, with the accumulative amounts of sick time, overtime converted to compensation, we find some days are difficult to complete anything when you only have one or two people per department. We are need of more experienced employees.

From the desk of Melissa Nusbaum, secretary to Anthony Corellis, Commissioner, he and I wish you all a happy and safe summer.