

WLLA Road Committee Report

May 15, 2021

**The Road Committee did not meet this past but will prior to the June Meeting
No actionable items are in this report.**

Winter Operations

- Empire State Excavating has given preliminary verbal notice that their company is leaving the snow plowing business. They will officially notify WLLA by today, May 15th if they are really doing so. If they do leave the snow plowing this will cancel all aspects of the second year of the snowplow – gravel road- tree trimming related to snow plowing contract.
- Once officially notified we will need to immediately start seeking bids for a new snowplow contractor.
- Empire State Excavating did fulfill all aspects of the first year of snowplow – gravel road-tree trimming related to snow plowing contract.
- The gravel roads and tree trimming related to snow plowing will be put out to bid separately as needed in the future.

Gravel Roads

- As part of the current snowplow- gravel road – tree trim related to plowing contract Empire State Excavating completed regrading the gravel roads on May 6th and 7th.
- The Board approved via an April 28th email vote for WLLA to purchase 10 tandem loads of A2 Modified stone (approximately 220 ton of material) to be used for regrading process. This was at a cost of \$3,250 or less for the stone, delivery, and tax. WLLA has not received the final invoice from Spring Brook Quarry yet for the material.
 - From the April 2021 Road Report: The road committee will be looking into the cost of using asphalt millings to resurface some of the gravel roads. Depending on costs and availability will dictate a timeline to do this type of work. As of now there is no timeline.
 - From the April 2021 Road Report: The road committee discussed the water runoff situation at Seneca. It is felt that the cleaning of the ditch line will allow the ditch to take more water which will help. As part of the next improvement of moving stormwater runoff through the area a designated permanent patch road repair will made to a small section of Birch to better move the runoff to the ditch line. Once the pavement repair is completed the road committee will assess the situation and recommend other actions if necessary.

Asphalt Roads

- Will be putting out a contract for bid for asphalt pothole repair and designated pavement repairs this coming week. Bids will be due back before Memorial Day. With the work being done in later in June. The Road Committee will discuss the bids received and make a recommendation to the Board.
- The repairs on Birch by Seneca to help facilitate roadway drainage, and the area between Blackfoot and Piute that was damaged by the standing water will be included in the bid request.
- The road committee will assess road budget after the cost of the pothole and designated repair contract is known.
- During the June road committee meeting the committee will discuss the remaining available 2021 road budget, what priority work and where that should and can be done.
- The committee will be looking into Chip Seal process costs versus Asphalt Resurfacing costs and decide on which is more cost effective over time.
- Two companies that do the chip seal process have been identified to date.
- The committee will also be looking into the hot crack sealing certain portions of the asphalt roads to extend the life of the pavement. Crack sealing prevents water from entering the subsurface of the pavement therefore preventing potholes to form easily. Several smaller roads and a few sections of other roads have been identified as candidates for such sealing.

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.
- However, repairs done to this section of road the past several times has allowed the road to have less erosion issues.
 - From the 3/20/21 report: 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 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 brainstorm 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 still yet to be determined. We are looking for a few volunteers to help with this. The signs have been received and are stored at the clubhouse.
- The anti-tamper/anti-theft sign hardware has been received. The final cost was \$59.40. The Board has previously approved up to \$100 for this hardware.
- We need to remove the Deaf Child Area sign on Onandaga as the child no longer lives there.

Roadside Drainage

- Again, there was no pooling or standing water between Blackfoot and Piute once the water from the heavy rains during the first few days of May. Thus, the creation of this ditch line has removed the standing water problem on Birch in between these two roads.
- As part of the road inspection, a list has been prepared of some the initial landowners that will need to be notified about cleaning the ditches and culverts pips along their property. Notifications will start in early June if the work has not been previously completed.
- 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

- As of now this is a backburner issue to be further discussed at a future time.
 - 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.