

Most of our efforts in the month of May were devoted to street sweeping. We have completed the in-town streets and we are now out in the country. Our sweeping should be complete in another week or so. Some streets in town will receive a second cleaning when we are done in the country.

We have begun striping our crosswalks and stop bars. We will be moving on to traffic lanes and arrows after this. Lucas Striping should be in town in a couple of weeks to do our center lines and shoulder lines, weather permitting. On the subject of striping, a new striping plan has been approved by MDOT for Bay Street. These changes have come about to accommodate the new Dunkin Donuts. I am pushing to have this new traffic pattern done as soon as possible to allow motorists time to adapt to it before winter. I also do not want to stripe Bay Street and have it removed in a couple of months, nor do I want Bay Street to spend the summer without visible striping.

We have completed repairs to private property that was damaged over the winter by our snow removal operations. I also believe we have completed collecting the trees damaged during the ice storm.

One of our crews completed the piping installation for the new pump station at Johnny's Seeds. We are presently waiting for our electrical contractor to complete his work so we can place the station on line. Once the station is operational, we will connect both Orion and Johnny's to the new system.

On the sewer side, we had Steven's Electric come in to perform a major upgrade to the pump mount system at our Augusta Road pump station.

Finally, as everyone must know by now, the Town went through a Bureau of Labor Standards inspection this week. I believe Public Works did well. Most items noted were in the area of policies and records. I do not think there were any major safety issues with our facility or equipment. My past experience has been for BLS to waive the proposed fines if corrective action has been taken to address the noted deficiencies. Hopefully, they will do the same for Winslow.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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