



# TOWN OF UNION *Maine*

December was an unusual month for weather events, whereas almost every time we had any type of precipitation, it was more wet than white. We only went out four times (once to plow and three to sand) which is half as many times at this point last year. I'm sure though that mother nature will make up for it over the next several weeks.

We did have two major rain events in December. The first one brought several inches of rain which caused some minor flooding but only caused one washout on Clarry Hill Lane. We spent several hours redirecting the water flow and fixing a roughly 200-foot section near the Waldoboro town line. The second major rain event came a week later and while we didn't get as much rain as the first storm, we got a lot more wind which brought down several trees around town. Most of the trees landed in power lines so we had to wait until CMP first made the scene safe and then we were able to clean up the debris left behind. Unlike many towns in central and western Maine, Union was very fortunate as we didn't have any washouts to speak of.

This month we also had our bi-annual insurance inspection by the Maine Municipal Association. Everything at the public works garage looked very good and there are no concerns moving forward.

And lastly, employee Chris Robinson and I spent the better part of two days before Christmas delivering almost 500 pounds of ground beef to dozens of local households. A special thank you goes out to The Meat Shop and the Moody family for making it possible!

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Elwell - Public Works Director