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During the first week of October, we completed our last ditching and culvert replacements on Clarry Hill Road. We also removed the boat dock from Ayer Park and put it away for winter storage and mowed the parks and cemeteries for what I hope was the last time. With the month being abnormally warm and not having a hard frost yet, the grass is still very green.

Our grader operator, Tom Fontaine, continued working on the fall grading of dirt roads. We were able to get Come Spring, Happy Hollow, and Bump Hill done. Unfortunately, all it did was rain the last week of October so that has held us up on grading, which if done in the rain will cause unnecessary mud and is basically a waste of time as the road would need to be regraded after it dries up.

During the rainy week we started getting the trucks ready for winter. Changing oil, mounting plow gear, greasing chains and sanders are just some of the steps we take every fall to ensure our trucks and equipment are ready to roll whenever the first flake decides to fall, which I hope is later rather than sooner, but it is always good to be prepared.

And finally, an All States contractor was able to do the fine grading and rolling on Sidelinger, Townsend and Coggins Hill this month, which is the last step in preparation for paving. The plan is they will be able to begin paving during the first week of November before the weather gets too cold.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Elwell - Public Works Director



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Paul Dever getting the boat dock ready for removal.