



TOWN OF UNION *Maine*

We had some very nice late-summer weather this month which meant the grass kept growing so we continued with our normal mowing schedule of all town owned properties such as the town office, Ayer Park and Common, as well as all cemeteries.

In the middle of the month, we received about 4" of rain in a three-hour time frame one evening which caused some significant washouts on Barrett Hill and Daniels Rd that had to be repaired.

Drainage projects included replacing one driveway culvert on Brooks Rd, two on Skidmore Rd, and two on Upham Rd. We also replaced a four-foot cross culvert on Upham as well as ditching work, cutting back the roadside brush and finished the project by adding seven truck loads of gravel and grading it.

Road fabric and six inches of gravel was put down on Robbins Rd, then rolled and graded, in preparation for paving this fall. Chris Packard Excavation completed the project, and All States Construction will return in a few weeks to lay two inches of hot mix asphalt.

Memorial plaques were attached to the benches on the Common. A new park bench was installed at Ayer Park near the swimming area overlooking the lake. All these benches were donated by local families in honor or memory of a loved one. They add a special touch to our town properties.

And finally, this month, I attended an online Public Fleet Management class hosted by the American Public Works Association. The focus of the class was how to best maximize the lifespan when it comes to purchasing and maintaining town owned vehicles and equipment. It was attended by over 60 public works professionals from all over the country.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Elwell - Public Works Director



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Chief Kevin Soule memorial bench on the Common



New bench in memory of Gay Bogard at Ayer Park