



Reading Public Works Department Project Update Bulletin

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Town Hall Plantings

In conjunction with the Reading Garden Club, the planting area in front of Town Hall received a face lift. The project was completed with plant donations from the Garden Club, and shared labor by the DPW Parks Division and the Garden Club. The work was completed over the course of two weeks. The old bushes and plantings were removed, and new ones were planted in their place. The new plantings, with the input from certified Arborist, Bob Keating, were ones chosen that would flourish in this location, and give many years of enjoyment for those passing by.

Shown below is the completed work. Special thanks to the Garden Club and the Parks Division for all their hard work.



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Washington Park

The work at Washington Park is complete!! Last minute touches included the overlay of new hot top on the smaller existing basketball court, thus converting the area into a street hockey venue.

The DPW would like to thank all the residents in the Washington Park area for their patience during this process, it was much appreciated.

Washington Park Improvement Project



Fuel Management System

As part of the FY2015 Capital Plan, the DPW has replaced the Fuel Dispensing System at the DPW Garage, located on Newcrossing Road. The new system includes new pumps, a card reader system, tank monitoring system, and automated alarms. The system will give us real-time data for consumption of fuel for all Town Divisions and will have the ability to capture important vehicle information. The information captured will monitor things such as engine trouble codes, mileage, and consumption by vehicle. The project was completed over a five day period, in early May. Shown below are pictures of the new equipment. Some last minute touches, will include some painting at the pump base.



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Recycling Day

Another Successful Town Recycle Day!

The Department of Public Works hosted a collection event on Saturday, May 16, 2015 and accepted the following items:



VCR's, Stereos, etc. (no TV's or CRT's)

Paper Shredding

Rigid Plastics

Mission of Deeds—*Clothing, shoes, bedding, home goods etc.*

Styrofoam # 6 Collection

This event is held twice a year, and as usual, we had a great response!

649 cars dropped off items

2 (30 yard) dumpsters filled

1 electronics container filled

1 paper shredding truck filled

Thank you for your participation!

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Another Successful Household Hazardous Waste Day!

The Department of Public Works hosted a collection event on Saturday, May 30, 2015

746 cars participate on Hazardous Waste Day.

Clean Harbors handled the hazardous material, while the DPW took care of coordinating, checking and directing residents as they entered the site. DPW was responsible for tires, batteries propane tanks, waste oil, and florescent tubes.

This event is held twice a year, and as usual, we had a great response!



Prescott Street Sidewalk

The Prescott Street sidewalk and curbing construction project includes the installation of granite curb and bituminous concrete sidewalks along the northerly side of Prescott Street from Summer Avenue to West Street. The Town's contractor, Pecora Contracting Company, started the \$95,000 project on April 24 and is expected to complete all the work by mid-June. Along with the curbing and sidewalks, new HP ramps are being installed on Prescott Street (at Perkins Avenue), and at (Copeland Avenue).



Coming in the July DPW Project Update Bulletin:

Main Street water improvement/construction project update

Salem Street water main improvement project update

West Street project update

FY15 road reconstruction/improvement program update

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