

Town of Copake Highway Department

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Highway Department May 2014 Monthly Report:

We started the annual cleaning of the ditches on our gravel roads. After the ditches are cleaned of debris and reshaped to carry rain runoff, we grade, gravel and apply liquid calcium to the road surface.

Roads that have been completed include:

<i>Bluebird</i>	<i>Pheasant</i>	<i>Cambridge</i>
<i>Oriole</i>	<i>Fidance</i>	<i>Freuh</i>
<i>Connelly</i>	<i>Rail Road</i>	<i>Sky Top</i>
<i>Magley</i>	<i>Dan B</i>	<i>Twin Bridges Ext</i>
<i>Leroy</i>	<i>Spring</i>	<i>Melvin</i>
<i>Camphill</i>	<i>Wanzell</i>	

On May 17th we held our annual Copake Cleanup day. We collected 12 ten wheeler loads of trash weighing a total of 16.13 tons. All this rubbish was disposed of at Carmen Barbato, Inc. Additionally we collected tires that we still need to dispose of. We sorted out the used electronics during cleanup day. We saved 8 pallets of TV's, computers, printers, etc. from ending up in a landfill. These electronics were recycled through Mr. e-Waste in Hudson. Town Supervisor Jeff Nayer and Town Clerk Larry Proper both assisted the Highway Department.

Installed a culvert pipe on Leroy

We began road side mowing

We hauled road materials from Hudson to the Highway Garage stockpiles on six days in anticipation of summer road work

We began picking up trash along the roads

Our sign crew worked on sign repairs and replacements for two days

We removed the utility body from our 2011 F350 pickup truck; we then cleaned and painted the truck frame and underside of the body

The Highway Department has continued to work for the protection of Copake Lake. We installed several hundred feet of blacktop ditches on the Bird Roads. The blacktop ditches are a method to manage the runoff of silt into the lake. In several weeks we plan to double seal these roads with oil and stone. This will further protect the lake from the accumulation of silt.

Inter-departmental assistance the Highway Department provided included:

Town:

We put up and took down the hamlet American Flags for Memorial Day

Park:

Repaired the park field tractor

Assisted in the startup of water chlorination system

Inter-municipal Cooperation included:

Town of Ancram:

We removed the dump body on one of their ten-wheeler trucks to make repairs to the body

NYSEG

NYSEG provided us with a bucket truck and a two man crew to remove trees for 1 day at their expense