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Highway Department April 2012 Monthly Report:

We have completed work on our 2002 Tri-Axle dump truck. By sandblasting, doing the body work and painting in house we saved 5-6 thousand dollars.

We swept all the hard surface roads in town.

Prior to sweeping we cut the shoulders on many of our hard surface roads. After a number of years the edges of the roads accumulate sand and other debris. It is necessary to remove this material to allow water to properly run off. Roads that we worked on are:

<i>Under Hill</i>	<i>Black Grocery</i>	<i>Farm</i>
<i>Overlook</i>	<i>Twin Bridges</i>	<i>Mountain View Road</i>
<i>Cemetery</i>	<i>Lake View</i>	<i>Mountain View St.</i>
<i>North Mt.</i>	<i>Breezy Hill</i>	<i>Cambridge</i>
<i>Catamount</i>	<i>Valley View</i>	

Another task that we try to complete in the spring is picking up trash along the roads. This month we worked on Birch Hill.

We replaced and upgraded several pipes on Camphill Road.

We removed the sanders and snow plow equipment from all our snow removal trucks in preparation for our summer road maintenance projects.

Inter-departmental assistance the Highway Department provided:

Copake Town Park

*We picked up and delivered a pallet of lime in Lee, MA and delivered it to the park
We spent one and a half days cutting and chipping brush along the perimeter fence*

Community Rescue Squad

*Replaced front ball joints on 301
Repaired parking brake on 301
We worked a day and a half to excavate the old material, refill, and level the
Memorial Path at the squad building.*

Copake Lake Conservation Society

*We installed the signs indicating the boundaries of the Copake Lake Water
Shed*

Town Hall

During our monthly inspection of the town hall generator it was discovered that it would not start. We charged the battery and changed the spark plugs.

We brought in a load of top soil to fill a sink hole in the lawn, leveled, raked and seeded it.

Copake Fire Company

Last month we diagnosed a charging problem on 14-3 and found that the on board charging unit was not working so we removed it to be sent out for repairs. This month we received a new unit and installed it.

Charged the batteries on the 14-5

Replace the batteries on 14-6

Installed numerous sign posts that indicate the location of water sources

Inter-municipal Cooperation included:

Town of Hillsdale

We used our excavator to remove a large tree stump from the edge of the road

They provided us with a man and truck for one day hauling gravel

Town of Ancram

They lent us a road sweeper for two weeks

Prior to lending us the sweeper they swept: Empire, Trout Brook and Weed Mine for us

We assisted them with man power and a truck for three days while they cut shoulders

Town of Pine Plains

We used our excavator to sort/move their brush pile that they collected for fire company training purposes

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They replaced the park entrance light for the town