

Mendon Highway Department  
101 Semmel Road  
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472-9755

Town Board Meeting, January 25, 2010  
@ Mendon Town Hall

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1. The current thaw forced the closing of the Semmel Road ice rink.
2. When time has allowed, highway crews have trimmed brush along Town and County roads. The county has authorized the expenditure of County funds for their roadways.
3. The fire and security alarm system is in place and will be activated this week. Individual codes have been assigned to each employee.
4. The replacement of the gasoline storage tank is nearly completed. The new tank provides greater capacity (2,000 gallons), and increase environmental protection. The new tank is double walled to contain any leak of the primary wall.
5. The annual Highway Superintendents' "Advocacy Day" is March 9-10. The Governor's budget has proposed keeping the CHIPS funding at the 2009 level, but this is dependent upon the approval of the legislative bodies. Advocacy Day provides the forum for Highway Superintendent's to enlist the support of legislators for this much needed money. I will present a request at the next meeting to attend this valuable forum.
6. A letter has been sent to the Mendon Home Owners Association requesting their intentions relative to the sign at SR 64 and Assembly Drive. The sign, located on the Town's right of way, has been missing for some time. Only the supports remain. If there is no intent to replace the sign, the Highway Department will remove the supports. Any replacement would have to meet Town regulations.
7. The County DOT and town highway superintendents met with Dolomite to discuss the quality of the stone they supply. The "washed" stone tends to be dirty. The dirty stone then has a tendency not to adhere to the oil during the "stone and oiling" of roads, thereby reducing the effectiveness of the process.
8. This year, with the mild January weather, crews were able to go throughout the Town and pick up Christmas trees. Each year we pick up trees on a "manpower available basis". We plan to advertise this next year, with a 2-week pickup window limit.
9. PERMA held a regional meeting to discuss issues of local, mutual concern. Many ideas were shared amongst the attendees. This was Brighton's first meeting, since they just pulled out of the local consortium for workers compensation.

Respectfully,



William E. Smith  
Highway Superintendent