

Well That Was Quite the Storm.....

What a way to open the month of November! I hope that most residents have their power back on. It took my house 4 ½ days to get it back! So I consider myself fortunate.

The new town plow truck arrived- only 3 days AFTER the storm. The Public Works Crew did a GREAT job in clearing the roads with zero visibility. Again, with only minor damage to the equipment, the Town was indeed fortunate.

THANK YOU to the Fire Department and Ambulance Department members that came out and worked the storm. Residents were safer because of your actions.

A reminder to all residents, that the downstairs of the Town Office is a warming center. When declared open by the Emergency Management Director, it is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and residents can drop by and fill their water containers, play a game of cards, heat up food in the microwave or oven, use the restrooms. This area is not a 24 hour shelter, and the bathrooms are not 100% handicapped accessible, but the space is there for public use. The Town Office building has a generator, so more than likely, we will have power and heat.

Another important reminder from the storm is our **house numbers**. If your neighborhood is like mine, there are long driveways with names labeling them, but no house numbers. The numbers may be on the house itself, but are either not visible at all or only visible during daylight hours. It is extremely important that public safety personnel quickly identify the house location. PLEASE make sure that the house number is visible from the main street (road) and are reflective at night.

Applications are available for the "Keep the Heat On" program at the Town Office. The application process is simpler this year. THANK YOU to the American Legion members who sold raffle tickets on Election Day and donated \$177.00 to the heating fund. Congrats to Paul Cunningham who won their 50-50 raffle.

847 residents voted on Election Day. The upstairs was buzzing with activity. I thank everyone involved with putting up with the cramped quarters.

Town happenings this month:

- Dog licenses for 2015 are available now. Licenses must be renewed by December 31st.
- First ½ tax payments were due October 31st with interest penalties starting on November 1st
- Town buildings will be closed for the Thanksgiving holidays. The week of the 24th, will be the last week of the month, and the Town Office will only be open Monday-Tuesday-and Wednesday
- THANKSGIVING- Thursday 27th- **RECYCLING COLLECTION WILL NOT TAKE PLACE**. Recycling collection and garbage pickup will occur on Friday.
- Black Friday- Friday 28th- Waste Collection and Recycling will take place
- Revaluation: Inspections will be taking place this month on properties located off Route 1 along the River. This includes all roads on the water side from the Prospect line to Main Street. The Appraisal Services employees will be leaving "door hangers" if a resident is not at home when they visit the property. PLEASE call the number on the door hanger to schedule a return visit.
- INNER Docks and Floats will come out the first week in December. Watch for the announcement of the exact day.

Enjoy family and your blessings.

Marnie