

## **Road Commissioner's Report**

**Dane Thorgalsen, Road Commissioner**

This past year has been busy as always for the Road Crew. Winter work requires many overtime hours; plowing and sanding roads. The department also dealt with mud and water issues caused by extreme weather events. Summer work consisted of several projects in addition to the usual road maintenance. On Shadow Lake Road at the town line, a ¼ mile of road was resurfaced. This was done with 6" of 1 1/2" stone base and a top layer of 6" of ¾" plant mix.

The Ladd Road, from the Wesley Road east for 1 ½ miles to Route 2, was reclaimed and graded. Resurfacing will be done on this section in the summer of 2016.

We received a \$10,000 grant from Better Back Roads to do a clean water project on Long Hill Road. The Town put an additional \$10,000 towards this project. Work included cutting trees back to the Right of Way, digging and stone lining a larger ditch and installing 3 new culverts. A new box culvert was installed on Shadow Lake Road at the intersection of Beede Road. This was paid for with a structures grant with a 90%/10% state/town split.

We have received a \$175,000 structures grant for the Fire Station Bridge. However, we are still waiting on engineering as to what steps to take first. We will be applying for another structures grant, a Better Back Roads Grant and a Class II roadway grant for reclaiming and paving a portion of Beach Drive. A used bale mucker was purchased last fall, which is a needed item to comply with the codes and standards.