



LACONIA PROJECT UPDATES – September, 2021

LACONIA ROAD PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR 2021

Current: **Court Street Bridge project.** The contractor resumed construction on the drainage and water line work. The groundwater treatment system has been assembled and is ready to treat any groundwater. Drain and water main work will continue until the bridge closure in October.

Annual road program. Overlay paving on McGrath (Oak to Clairmont) will be completed by September.

Busby Construction has completed the drain line installation on **Mechanic Street**. Road and sidewalk reconstruction and paving will be complete by end of the construction season.

Previous: **Court Street Bridge project.** The contractor will prepare the construction zone the week of August 16th to get ready for construction to start on the drainage and water line work on August 23rd. The bridge closure is scheduled to begin on October 12th.

Annual road program. Belknap, McGrath (Oak to Lyford), and Lyford Street were overlay paved. Water Works has finished the water main on McGrath (Oak to Clairmont), paving will be completed by September.

Busby Construction has completed the water main installation on Mechanic Street. Water services and drainage to follow over the next two weeks. Road and sidewalk reconstruction will be complete by end of the construction season.

LACONIA DOWNTOWN TIF DISTRICT

Current: The Downtown TIF District Advisory Board met on September 7th and reviewed the TIF's finances. The Board also intends on reviewing and recommending updates to the City Council for the TIF's developmental projects. The Board is optimistic about seeing the direction City Council makes moving forward with parking. The TIF sees parking as a necessary improvement to move the downtown forward economically. The TIF would like to explore lighting projects for the downtown bridges and new universal signage added downtown to identify free parking areas. The TIF will meet again on October 26 @ 8:30 in Conference Room 200B.

Previous: No update.

WEIRS TIF DISTRICT

Current: No new updates until after the next meeting on February 2, 2022.

Previous: The Weirs TIF District Advisory Board met on August 4th and reviewed the TIF's finances and forecasted having a positive balance in 2023. The Board also intends on reviewing and recommending updates to the City Council for the TIF's developmental projects. Lastly, the Board is excited about the proposed expansion of the City docks and the prospect of

the City receiving some federal funds for the project. The TIF Board will meet again February 2, 2022 @ 2PM.

WINNIPESAUKEE RIVER BASIN PROJECT

Current: The WRBP Advisory Board approved the implementing instructions on the changes to the rate allocation model. The changes to the model take effect on July 1, 2022 and are implemented over a 3 year period. The City's share of the operations and maintenance costs for the system drops from 48.87% to 40.55% which will save the ratepayers approximately \$200,000 once the changes have been implemented. The Board also approved hiring the consultant that developed the model to develop a standard operating procedure for updating the model such that it can be updated every three years.

Previous: The last municipality agreed to the rate allocation model. The adoption of the new rate allocation is unanimous. On August 19th the Board is meeting to approve the implementing instructions for the new model. The Board will also review the AG Office's recommended changes to the Board's proposal for changing the state law on allocating expenses among the member communications for the replacement fund. The fund is a capital account that the program uses for critical maintenance projects that are too large to come from the operations and maintenance account and too small to issue a bond.

SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM

Current: Park Construction Corp. completed water and sewer construction on the **Southern Lakeport Area Sewer, Water, Drain and Mechanic Street Reconstruction** project. Paving throughout the project area will be completed in September.

Park Construction Corp. will begin in September on the **Elm Street Area sewer project** (from Franklin Street to Hickory Stick). Work will start at the Franklin Street intersection and continue toward School Street until construction season ends in November. Work will resume in the spring and is scheduled to be completed in July 2022.

Previous: Park Construction Corp. continues construction on the **Southern Lakeport Area Sewer, Water, Drain and Mechanic Street Reconstruction** project. The sewer lines on Hill and Cole Streets were completed this passed month as well as water line on Clinton Street. Water and sewer replacement will be completed on Prospect Street over the next few weeks. This project will continue until the end of the construction season.

Bids were opened on the **Elm Street Area sewer project** (from Franklin Street to Hickory Stick) on July 26, 2021. Park Construction Corp. was the low bidder and will be awarded the contract. Construction is expected to begin in September.

WEIRS BEACH RESTORATION

Current: No update.

Previous: No update.

LACONIA MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Current: The next meeting of the Master Plan Steering Committee has been postponed to October 19. The discussion will be centered on how to create more affordable housing in the City with adjustments in zoning rules and regulation.

Previous: The Master Plan Steering Committee continues to meet on a regular basis to discuss potential updates to the Zoning Ordinance. The emphasis of discussion is on how to facilitate construction of affordable housing in the City. The next meeting is scheduled for September 14 at 6:30pm.

NATIVE AMERICAN SCULPTURE

Current: No update.

Previous: No update.

PERLEY POND PROJECT

Current: No update.

Previous: No update.