

Monthly Report –December 2016, Town of Oswego Highway Department

- The new “FuelMaster” fuel delivery system discussions and fact finding are presently open. We have a proposal from Cortland Pump. This should serve as a good beginning for further discussion. Working to secure bonding and schedule work in the spring. Open
- Security additions for Comm. Center and Garage to be implemented as soon as bonding is secure.
- I have been exploring options in solar energy for the Town. We have submitted info to the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board for their Solarize CNY program. Will keep you informed as info is received. No response at present time. Open
- Rathburn Road bridge has been posted for 25-ton weight limit. Discussing options with County Highway Dept. for cooperative work. Preliminary work has begun as outlines in Dec. 1 report. In discussion w/ OCWA, there is a 16” main, serving Towns of Oswego, Hannibal and Minetto, running down the center of the road. Still discussing ownership/responsibility of Rathburn Bridge over railroad tracks.
- NYSDOT, State Route 104 project. Both lanes open. Work has ended for the season, and will begin as soon as the weather breaks in the spring.
- Plowing season has begun. All vehicles and equipment are set-up and working. We have had several necessary repairs pop up, incl.: 1) fuel line cooler, (rotted), \$350.00 plus fuel lines. 2) #10 and salt box grate support, (broken), \$1585.00. 3) parking brake pads Hyundai Loader, #376.00 that need attention immediately. Will begin maintenance on ‘summer’ equipment during down time.
- Snowplow Grant has been submitted. We submitted grant app, but money was already spent. Rural Development is holding app. for next round – Expect more money in October. I phoned Rural Development today, no new info.
- 3 additional items auctioned off. 1) dump box lift gate and plow blade from previously sold 1 ton pick-up, total 360.00 + 410.00 = 770.00. 2) 4 ‘junk’ tires from 2012 pick-up, total 42.50.
- Interviewed 8 applicants for the vacant position within the dept. 7 currently had CDL license, included experienced operators from the City, County and School District. All but 1 lives in Town.
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- **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**
- Our AC in the Town Hall uses R22 refrigerant. After 1/1/2020, it will no longer be produced or imported in the US. Our service and repair options will be dependent on stockpiled material, or reclaimed from other units. Replacement will be required in the future. Recommendation is to let system run as built until service/repairs are necessary.
- New Comm. Center, snow removal?
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- **SEWER SYSTEMS**
- Through weekly monitoring of pump ‘run time’ meters at Ontario Heights, we have found that pump time more than doubled each week since Nov. 23. Those week were rainy and we had snow melt. We can assume that there is a considerable amount of ground water/storm water entering the system

- Notice of question and answer session concerning Ontario Heights Sewer District were hand delivered to all homes in the district, Monday, 12/12, between 2:30 – 5:10pm. Copy Enclosed.