

## First Selectman's Report November 6, 2018

The Highway Department continues to prepare for the winter season with the cleaning the drainage basins in the next two weeks, installation of the winter road stakes, removal of speed bumps, removal of pond fountain and preparing the Beach Recreational area for winter. They are also working on maintenance projects at the Senior Center. The dry hydrant on Lakeside Road has been repaired and is working perfectly now.

The First Selectman attended meetings with the DOT, Milone and MacBroom Engineering, and utility companies for the Smokey Hollow Bridge Project which is slated to begin in April of 2019. The project will be going out to bid in the next month. Also attended the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities Convention and met with municipal leaders from across the State.

The Town and the Morris Fire Company retrieved items that were in storage from the Morris Volunteer Fire Department and returned the items to the Morris Fire House per the agreement from the Attorney General's Office.

The FEMA pre-applications for generators at the Town Hall and James Morris School were approved. The next step is to file Sub Applications which are being worked on now.

We said good bye to our Building Inspector Vince D'Andrea as he has decided to retire. Vince had been with the Town for about 5 years and made great strides in improving the department efficiency and record keeping. Assistant Building Inspector Chris Zibell will be taking his place. Chris has been working for the Town for the last few years, filling in for Vince when he was away and is ready to hit the ground running. Thank you Vince for all your work, you will be missed.