



LACONIA PROJECT UPDATES – April, 2022

LACONIA ROAD PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR 2022

Current: Road work began with the contractor placing the shim asphalt course on Union Ave (Stark to Lake), Crescent Street (Highland to Champagne), Beech Street and Mile Hill (from the Route 3 Bypass to the City boundary). The contractor is performing other work on these streets before placing the final course of asphalt. The Department of Public Works is reviewing its plan to determine how to adjust it based on the impact of the spring thaw. The final list of streets to be paved in 2022 will be based on these assessments, and the final FY 2023 budget.

Previous: The Department of Public Works is waiting on final budget guidance for FY 2023 to finalize the list of streets to be paved later in 2022. The following streets are scheduled for paving and select improvements this spring – Addison Street, Durkee Street, Beech Street, and Mile Hill Road. Streets being proposed for summer and fall paving include Union Avenue (Stark St. to Lake St.), Elm Street (Fairmont St. to Elm St. School), Crescent Street and Franklin Street (from Fairmont St. to School St.). Streets are assessed in terms of both condition of pavement and utilities within the roadway. Mass. Ave and Jefferson Street are under design for drainage and roadway improvements with an expected construction start in summer 2022.

LACONIA DOWNTOWN TIF DISTRICT

Current: The Board is in the process of scheduling a site walk with Public Works to discuss options for expansion of the Riverwalk. The next meeting is scheduled for May 24th at 8:30 am.

Previous: The Board is working with Parks and Rec on the Riverwalk extension and downtown lighting ideas. The next meeting is on April 19, 2022 at 8:30 am.

WEIRS TIF DISTRICT

Current: No new updates.

Previous: No new updates until the next meeting on August 10, 2022.

WINNIPESAUKEE RIVER BASIN PROJECT

Current: The House approved the WRBP replacement fund bill and it was sent to the Senate. The Senate Finance committee met on April 12th and recommended that the bill ought to pass.

Previous: The House bill on the WRBP replacement fund has been approved at the committee level and is scheduled to go before the House on March 31st.

SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM

Current: Work on the **Elm Street Sewer project** resumed this month. Park Construction will continue work on Elm Street until May and will then move to the side streets. Project completion is expected in August. The **Northern Lakeport Area Sewer** project (North St, Sheridan St, School St and Belvidere St) is slated to begin construction this year.

Previous: Final overlay paving in the Southern Lakeport project area will be completed in late summer/fall of 2022 on Clinton, Prospect, Hill, Cole and Mechanic Streets. Design on the Northern Lakeport Area Sewer (North St., Sheridan St., School St. and Belvidere St.) is on schedule and work is anticipated to begin on this project once the Elm Street Sewer project is done in July/August 2022.

WEIRS BEACH RESTORATION

Current: No update.

Previous: No update.

LACONIA MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Current: The Master Plan Steering Committee met on April 19, 2022 and continued discussions on revisions to the Table of Dimensional Requirements. Consensus was that the proposed revisions should be presented to the Planning Board to start their review process. Also discussed was needed updates to definitions in the Zoning Ordinance.

Previous: The Master Plan Steering Committee met on March 22, 2022 to continue discussions on potential changes to density regulations, including green space calculations and residential unit density. There was also a discussion about the draft version of the Natural Resources Chapter that is currently being written under the direction of the Conservation Commission. The next meeting is on April 19, 2022 at 6:30 pm when the group will be reviewing the Table of Dimensional requirements and impacts to stormwater management.

NATIVE AMERICAN SCULPTURE

Current: Rist, Frost, Shumway has been tasked with preparing the base (pedestal) for the statue. They are determining if they can use the existing base or if it needs to be changed. They City and the manufacturer have given specific instructions as to what is needed for this base and RFS is currently working on the project.

Previous: No update.