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MONTHLY REPORT

February 2024

Below is a summary of the Ayer DPW's operations for the month of February, specifically our monthly work project status and a summary of monthly work orders completed. The Ayer DPW provides critical essential services to the Town of Ayer including water supply, wastewater collection and treatment, road safety, solid waste disposal, vehicle and equipment repairs and business operations.

Engineering and Administration

- Lora Prescott began as the Department Assistant on February 27th
- Continue evaluation of Stormwater Utility with Tighe and Bond, Advisory Workgroup Meeting on February 21st, 5 board/committee outreach meetings, introduction meeting
- Working on 25% Main Street Transportation Improvement Project Design Road Safety Audit and Intersection Control Evaluation in progress, attending MPO meetings
- Subdivision inspections Panther Place and Shaker Pond Rd
- Continue WWTP Phase 3 Upgrade (biosolids dewatering and waste pump upgrades). Project is substantially complete, awaiting long lead time parts to finalize project.
- Implementing plan to operate Woodlawn Cemetery, general maintenance and burials performed, building Cemetery Management Software. No burials in February.
- Continue water meter upgrades
- Processed and approved Road Opening Permits, Trench Permits and Water & Sewer Connection Permits (limited number due to Winter season)
- Continue implementing SmartGov permitting software
- Planning and Zoning Reviews, attend PB meetings: Stratton Hill
- Continued assisting Parks Dept with Kiddie Junction Playground Replacement
- Assisting Conservation Commission with public access to Flannagan Pond project
- Continue assisting Senior Center Site Selection Committee
- Assist PACE and Silent Springs with water modeling and historic information for public health study
- Select Board Spec Pond WTP Greensand Filter Media Replacement Contract, Curley Circle Street Acceptance
- Sandy Pond Road Complete Street in-house design (from Beach to Westford Road)
- Wright Way Pump Station project bid results were high, selected option to move forward, redesign begins
- Continue working with MassDOT to replace water main on Willow Road near intersection project
- Utility Coordination meetings for West Main Street Bridge, bid date pushed due to need for information on Verizon's conduits locations
- Continue assisting with Hazard Mitigation Plan development
- Continue implementing Grove Pond Water Treatment Plant Clearwell project
- Continue New Well Source Approval project, site walk with DEP and NHESP
- Continue sewer lining on Sandy Pond Road
- Readvertise Highway Division Mechanic, interview Meter/Reader Laborer (Water/Wastewater), advertise Water Distribution Operator

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- Continue with Transfer Station Evaluation through Rate Review Committee
- Continue private property owner for prospective sewer connection along Willow Road
- Review request for roadside protection on Main Street
- Begin construction of Spectacle Pond Greensand Media Replacement

Monthly Work Order Summary

	Address	Work Type	Date Flagged	Description
				#20240907825 (20235001731) working on
				access road and access pad construction
				along the Eversource Row K137-L138 line-
		Dig-Safe -	2/29/2024 3:14:54	pre marked-start date 3/5/24 Melissa
15	Raddison Rd	Water	PM	Sutton 251-583-6413
				#20240904186 repairing sewer line in the
		Dig-Safe -	2/27/2024 2:47:36	parking lot area-pre marked-start date
7	Depot Square	Water	PM	3/1/24 RM Ratta
				20240903186 - Replacing Pole 55 between 9
				Great Rd Shirley & 111 Fitchburg Rd.
				Working in R.O.W./Driveway, mark 20 ft
				radius from existing Pole 55. WR#
				30533188, any questions call Alec Birdsong
				at 781-907-3509 Nat'l Grid. The area is pre-
		Dig-Safe -	2/27/2024 10:41:32	marked.
111	Fitchburg Road	Water	AM	Start date: 3/1/24
				20240804962 - Installing new pole # 1-1
				about 80 ft. southeast of P13 Littleton Rd.
				WR# 30600563. Working side of the road,
				Mark 20 Ft. radius from new pole # 1-1
				(Near 2-12 Atherton St.) The area is pre-
				marked. Question call Connor Reynolds at
		Dig-Safe -	2/22/2024 9:15:33	774-312-0350. Nat'l Grid
	Atherton Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/27/24
				20240804870 - Installing new pole # 1 about
				50 ft South of P13 Littleton Rd. (Not the
				existing P1, it will be renamed) WR #
				30582034. Working side of the road/Mark
				20 ft. radius from new Pole # 1 (Near 1-11
				Atherton St) Questions call Connor
				Reynolds at 774-312-0350.
		Dig-Safe -	2/22/2024 8:45:39	National Grid Electric
	Atherton Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/27/24
		Tracel	,	20240804371 (20240101319)dig electric
				conduit in front of bldg. 13, left side of the
				house from electric meters over towards
				sidewalk under sidewalk to electric
		Dig-Safe -	2/21/2024 3:14:01	manhole-pre marked-start date 2/26/24
55	Littleton Road	Water	PM	Cuttone Const 508-988-0624
- 22		water		20240804223 - Install foundation for
				addition. Working on the right side of the
				c
				house. The area is pre-marked. Caller: Sean Halloran 978-505-9644 978-
		Dig Safa	2/21/2024 2.20.04	425-4395 M Halloran & Sons
26	Fox Pup Drive	Dig-Safe -	2/21/2024 2:20:04	
26	Fox Run Drive	Water	PM	Start date: 2/26/24
				20240801409 - Waterproof foundation.
				Working entire private property.
		Dia Caf	2/20/2024 44 02 22	Caller: Jim Keller 508-561-3009 Keller
66	Marchinet Ct	Dig-Safe -	2/20/2024 11:09:39	Waterproofing
66	Washington Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/23/24

				20240801400 - Waterproof foundation.
				Working entire private property.
				Caller: Jim Keller 508-561-3009 Keller
		Dig-Safe -	2/20/2024 11:01:42	Waterproofing
13	Lincoln Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/23/24
				20240801395 - Waterproof foundation.
				Working entire private property.
				Caller: Jim Keller 508-561-3009 Keller
		Dig-Safe -	2/20/2024 10:35:02	Waterproofing
41	Nashua Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/23/24
				20240801272 Previous 20240402321
				1/23/24
				Gas leak repair. Working in the street &
				street to house.
				The area is pre-marked.
		Dig-Safe -	2/20/2024 10:29:14	Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
54	Littleton Rd	Water	AM	Start date:2/23/24
				20240706440 - Nature of work: Drainage,
				working in front of the property, the
				property is located at the corner of Marshall
				St & Third St.
				Caller: John Belko 978-835-7585 Belko
		Dig-Safe -	2/16/2024 1:30:46	Landscaping.
9	Marshall Street	Water	PM	Start date: 2/16/24
9	Ivial Shall Street	vvalei		20240705192 - Replacing gas mains &
				services on Cambridge St From Columbia St
				to Norwood Ave 100 feet down intersecting
				streets including all intersections. Working
				in street and street to house and all
				buildings. The areas are pre-marked.
			2/10/2024 0.14.20	Caller: Christy Traywick 617-293-1743 978-
20	Couch video Church	Dig-Safe -	2/16/2024 8:14:29	758-4323 Neuco
28	Cambridge Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/21/24
			2/15/2024 11:04:31	
229	Snake Hill Road	Outfall Repair	AM	Cleanout and add drainage stone to outfall
_		Catch Basin	2/15/2024 11:02:41	Repair and change out old D frame and
2	Atherton Street	Repair	AM	grate catch basin.
				20240704661 - Gas Leak Repair. Working in
				street and street to house. The area is pre-
				marked.
				Caller: Kelly Roberts 617-594-5536 978-853-
				9111
		Dig-Safe -	2/15/2024 10:43:28	Nat'l Grid Gas
3	Third Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/21/24
				20240704644 - Gas Leak Repair. Working in
				street and street to house. The area is pre-
				marked.
				Caller: Kelly Roberts 617-594-5536 978-853-
				9111
		Dig-Safe -	2/15/2024 10:37:52	Nat'l Grid Gas
10	Mark Street	Water	AM	Start date: 2/21/24
				Catch Basin Repair on Snake Hill Rd and
		Catch Basin	2/15/2024 10:00:02	Littleton Rd
6	Snake Hill Road	Repair	AM	Double catch basin sinking missing bricks.
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			2/45/2024 0.20 02	20240704176 Previous 20240406039 1/26/24 Drilling for fiber optic line along the side of RR track within 40 feet of the track on the north side of the track on Groton Harvard Rd & along tracks for apx 110 feet from both sides of the road. Caller: Tim Conlin 617-571-4173 McCourt
	Groton Harvard Road RR Tracks	Dig-Safe - Water	2/15/2024 8:38:02 AM	Const. Start date 2/21/24
	Nodu NN Hacks	water		20240704179 Previous 20240406042
				1/26/24 Drilling for fiber optic line along the
				side of RR track within 50 feet of the track
				on the north side of the track on Sandy
				Pond Rd & along tracks for apx 110 feet
				from both sides of the road. Caller: Tim Conlin 617-571-4173 McCourt
	Sandy Pond Road	Dig-Safe -	2/15/2024 8:32:28	Const.
	Near RR Tracks	Water	AM	Start date: 2/21/24
				20240606853 - Nature of work: Septic
				evaluation & repair. Working the entire
				private property.
				Caller: Cat Tassone 508-393-7234 Curtis
		Dig-Safe -	_ /_ /	Septic
7	Oak Grove Street	Water	2/8/2024 3:14:36 PM	Start date: 2/13/24
				20240605480 - Emergency dig safe from last night 2/7/24.
				Gas Service repair, Working in the street
				and street to house. 100 feet in all
				directions.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Jeremy Rose 877-30-1184 Nat'l Grid
2	Atherton Street	Water	2/8/2024 8:02:31 AM	Gas
				20240604662 Previous 20240204045
				Ongoing project-dig/backfill foundations,
				water, sewer, electric over entire private
				property.Ernie's Excavating Caller: Laurie Merrill 860-917-7567 978-952-
		Dig-Safe -	2/7/2024 10:31:22	8505
128	Washington Street	Water	AM	start date 2/12/24
				20240604235 Previous 20240300923
				1/16/24
				Working in the MBTS commuter rail
				row/from Shirley town line to Littleton town
				line to excavate and install fiber optic
				system in row within 40 feet of both sides of
				tracks-must have an escort from Keolis flag person & Keolis RWP training.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Tim Conlin 617-571-4173
	W Main Street	Water	2/7/2024 9:17:14 AM	Start date 2/12/24
			, ,	20240604208 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
34	Pearl Street	Water	2/7/2024 8:53:22 AM	Start date: 2/12/24

1			ĺ	20240604207 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
14	Victor Drive	Water	2/7/2024 8:51:10 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
		Water		20240604226 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
125	Oak Ridge Drive	Water	2/7/2024 8:49:01 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
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				20240604220 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
12	Atherton Street	Water	2/7/2024 8:46:13 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
				20240604216 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
23	Pine Ridge Drive	Water	2/7/2024 8:43:10 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
				20240604211 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
		Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
49	E Main Street	Water	2/7/2024 8:41:09 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
	2			20240604209 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on property. The area is
				premarked.
	Groton School	Dig-Safe -		Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
82		Water	2/7/2024 0.20.40 414	
02	Road	water	2/7/2024 8:39:10 AM	Start date: 2/12/24
				20240602406 - Installing new pole across
				the street from the existing Pole #2.
				Working on the side of the road, please
				mark a 20-foot radius from new pole
				location. WR # 30793561 Any questions call
		Dig-Safe -		Connor Reynolds at 774-312-0350.
18	Hatch Street	Water	2/6/2024 9:23:45 AM	Start date: 2/9/24
				20240602266 excavation for new railroad
				side track adjacent to the existing Ardent
		Dig-Safe -		Mills Railroad Row -is pre marked-start date
35	Nemco Way	Water	2/6/2024 8:15:05 AM	2/9/24
				20240601860 disconnect water service line
		Dig-Safe -		approx. 5 feet from edge of road-is pre
71	Sandy Pond Road	Water	2/6/2024 7:40:22 AM	marked-start date 2/8/24
	, .			20240601079 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on properties #50 & 60. The area is
				pre-marked.
				Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
		Dig-Safe -		Nat'l Grid Gas
50	Parnum Poad	-	2/5/2024 2:07:56 014	
50	Barnum Road	Water	2/5/2024 2:07:56 PM	Start date: 2/8/24
				20240601075 - Raise buried gas riser.
				Working on properties #12,18,23 & 25 The
				area is pre-marked.
				Caller: Geraldine Chambers 617-594-5211
		Dig-Safe -		Nat'l Grid Gas
12	Jonathan Drive	Water	2/5/2024 2:05:17 PM	Start date: 2/8/24

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9	Birch Street	Pot Hole	2/1/2024 12:08:46 PM	pavement is cracked and there is a hole at manhole cover in front of 9 Birch St
				20240505379 - Replacing Pole #21 on
				Central Ave at Groton Harvard Rd. Working
	Control			on the side of the road, please mark 20 ft.
	Central			radius from P # 21 please. Questions call
	Avenue/Groton	Dig-Safe -	2/1/2024 10:25:59	Eric Adams at 978-860-5428
	Harvard Rd	Water	AM	Start date: 2/6/24