

MARLOW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

In the spring of 2016, our department finished the Sand Pond Culvert Project, funded in large part by a Hazard Mitigation Grant. This project, which involved replacing old culverts on Sand Pond Rd, will prevent road washout during periods of bad weather.

We contracted a guard rail company to install the required railing for the project and enlisted the help of a paving company who came in and paved the road. Finally, we did some landscaping and planted local trees from David Kinson's plantation. The project is now complete and should last for many years to come.

The Marlow Hill Road Drainage Project, which is also grant funded, got under way in the fall of 2016. I would like to thank the motorists inconvenienced by this project for their continued patience. The project is well underway-the contractor has already completed the main road work. We are now left with mostly roadside and driveway work.

A mobile sweeper, once belonging to the City of Laconia, was available for sale this year. After discussing it with the Select Board, we felt it would be a good investment for our town. The sweeper will help us pick up the winter sand that is normally brushed to the side of the road, which we are required to remove through our ditching program. The mobile sweeper cost us \$1000, which we expect to pay back in one season.