

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT 2015**

The winter of 2014/2015 was average for us with approximately 119" of snow plowed. Our average over the last six years has been between 60" to 140". 1,500 yards of sand was used this year and 360 tons of salt. This year our equipment held up well with break downs at a minimum.

Road work this year consisted of 3,900 feet of reclaim on Jackson Ridge; 1,250 feet of reclaim on Adams Road, and 300 feet of reclaim at the top of Eagle Mt. Road. Everything went as expected and there were no surprises. A thin coat of pavement was put down on Tin Mine Road and Eagle Mt. Road. 2016 road work will consist of a reclaim and new pavement on Valley Cross Road, topcoat paving on Black Mt. end of Dundee, topcoat paving on Jackson Ridge, and top coat paving on Adams Road. This year we will be doing a lot of pavement preservation by sealing some roads with liquid tar to preserve the surface and extend the life of the pavement. The upper section of Wilson Road will also see some work if we have any budget money left over.

We will be looking at a truck purchase this year to replace our 2006 GMC plow truck. This truck has worked out well for us and we plan on replacing it with the same size truck. This truck is on schedule with our capitol plan for truck replacement.

1,000 feet of sidewalk was top coated with pavement this year, with plans to do some more in 2016.

The sides walk on Valley Cross Road Bridge is closed for now until we can decide on some repair options. The iron frame work under the side walk section is in very bad condition and needs to be rebuilt. We are talking with bridge contractors for some repair options.

As of January 15, 2016, I will be moving away from the Road Agent position so I can concentrate more closely on the Fire

Chief's position. Pat Kelley will be moving from within the Highway Dept. to the road agent position. Pat is a fifth generation native of Jackson and knows Jackson very well. I will be working closely with Pat over the next year to make this transition as easy as possible. If you do not know Pat feel free to stop in and introduce yourself. I have enjoyed my time as Road Agent and like to thank everyone who has helped me over the last six and a half years

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Henry  
Road Agent