



TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

Week of: October 30, 2017

Public Hearing on Parking

The public is invited to come provide comments to the Select Board regarding parking management on November 15th at 7PM in the Town House Hearing Room.

To view the parking management suggestions from the 2012 study completed by Nelson Nygaard, please [click on the link](#) or visit the town website under Planning—Parking Management Plan

West Concord Depot Book Drop

The book drop at the West Concord Train Depot has been removed due to lack of use. With help from Public Works, the book drop was relocated to the Fowler branch of the Concord Free Public Library. They are happy to be able to repurpose the old book drop into their building and avoid the cost of a new book drop for the West Concord library branch.

Rideout Park Dedication

The Rideout Park Dedication took place on Monday, October 30th and was attended by town staff and officials, members of the Anderson Family, the Concord afterschool kids group, parents, and town residents. The children sang for the group after the ribbon cutting before enjoying refreshments and playing in the newly improved park.





CMLP Sunday Night Storm Report:

11:30PM: Papa Razzi reported partial power which was restored by 12:30AM

2:30 AM: 345 Garfield Road reported no power.

A large Pine Tree snapped and broke a pole which caused the outage. The outage impacted the following customers: 279, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 323, 345, and 347 Garfield. Power was restored in this area by approximately 6:30 AM.

2:30AM: A large Oak Tree fell onto the power lines in the area of 350 Plainfield. No outage occurred but a crew spent time removing the tree and rebuilding the infrastructure.

8:30 AM: The transformer at Walden Rehab failed. Crews replaced the transformer and restored power just before noon.

4PM: Large branch broke and took down the service at 184 Belknap Street. Repairs were made and power was restored around 5PM.

Throughout the day we had many calls for trees on powerlines. We prioritized the removal of the trees but these trees did not cause any outages due to the type of overhead wire that we use.

At 4:30PM two crews departed Concord on Mutual Aid to Reading Municipal Light Department where they worked throughout the night on power restoration. The crews are expected to be in Reading for the remainder of today and possibly some of tomorrow.

We have a number of reports of branches on power lines which the crews are working on removing today. These branches are not a threat that would cause a power outage even though they make look like they are. The overhead electrical distribution has been well built and the type of wire that we have installed allows for trees and branches to contact the wires without disrupting power.

Public Works Sunday Storm Report:

The storm that passed through the area on Sunday night and Monday that featured high winds and torrential downpours was challenging for CPW crews. The first calls for tree related issues came in just before 11:00PM on Sunday night. A CPW crew was immediately dispatched and responded to many calls throughout the overnight hours. The majority of the calls were for branches down but there were several trees that came down in various locations including Strawberry Hill Road, College Road, Ripley Hill Road, and Lowell Road. As the winds persisted, leaf debris continued to accumulate on the roadways blocking catch basins causing minor flooding in many locations. Just before 2:00AM on Monday morning, CPW crews responded to these issues and continued working until the rain ended just prior to the morning commute. Throughout the night CPW managers monitored the weather conditions and storm related issues and communicated with school officials very early in the morning on Monday to discuss any potential impact. Due to the diligent efforts of CPW crews, school was able to start on time as scheduled.

Although the rain ended in the early morning hours on Monday, the winds persisted throughout the day causing several additional tree related issues. CPW crews continued cleanup efforts on Tuesday and expect to be finished by the end of the week.