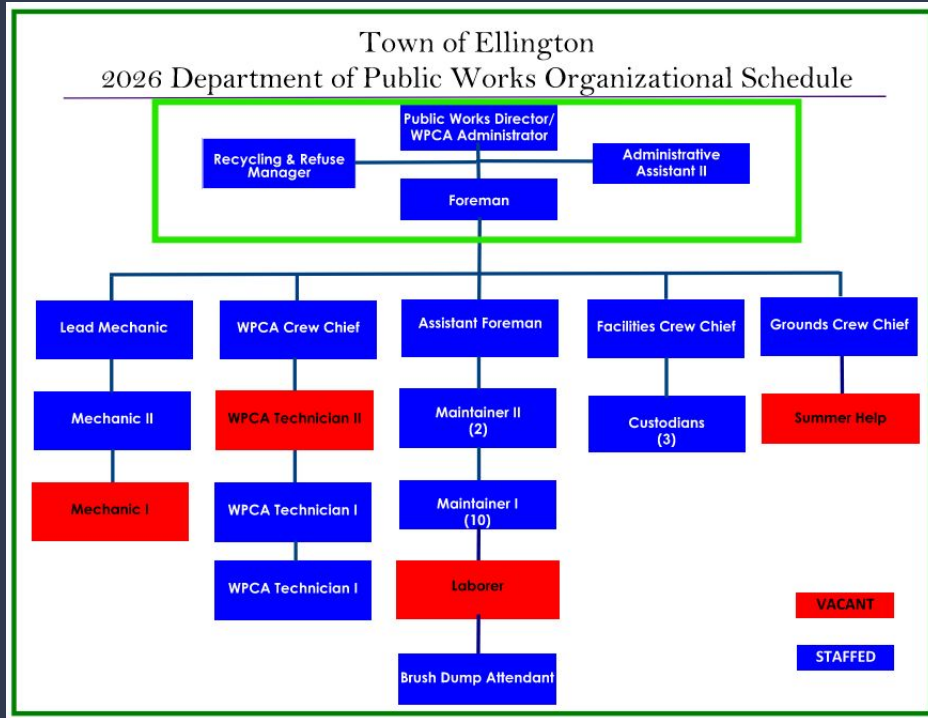


Welcome to the Ellington Public Works Department/WPCA

The 5 W's of Ellington DPW/WPCA
2025



Who are we?



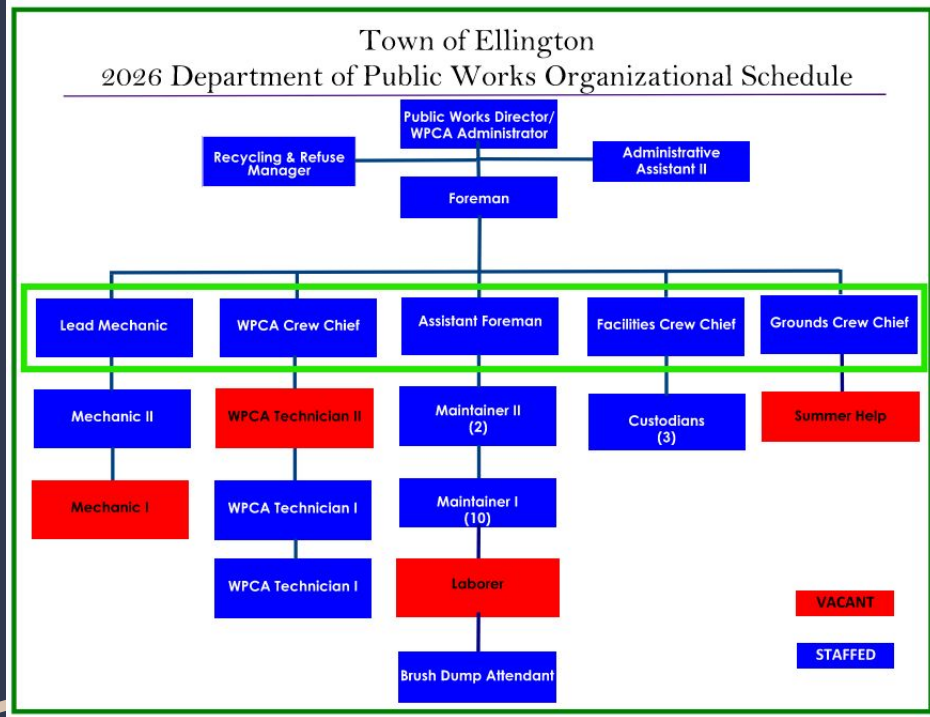
DPW/WPCA Administrative Staff

- Tom Modzelewski - Director of Public Works/WPCA Administrator (Left)
- Carolyn Kidney - Administrative Assistant II (DPW & WPCA)
- Sam Saunders - Recycling & Refuse Manager
- Taylor Olson - Public Works Foreman (Right)



One of these smiling faces will greet you when entering the DPW office! If we don't have the answer, we will find it for you or guide you to the right place. Our doors are always open!

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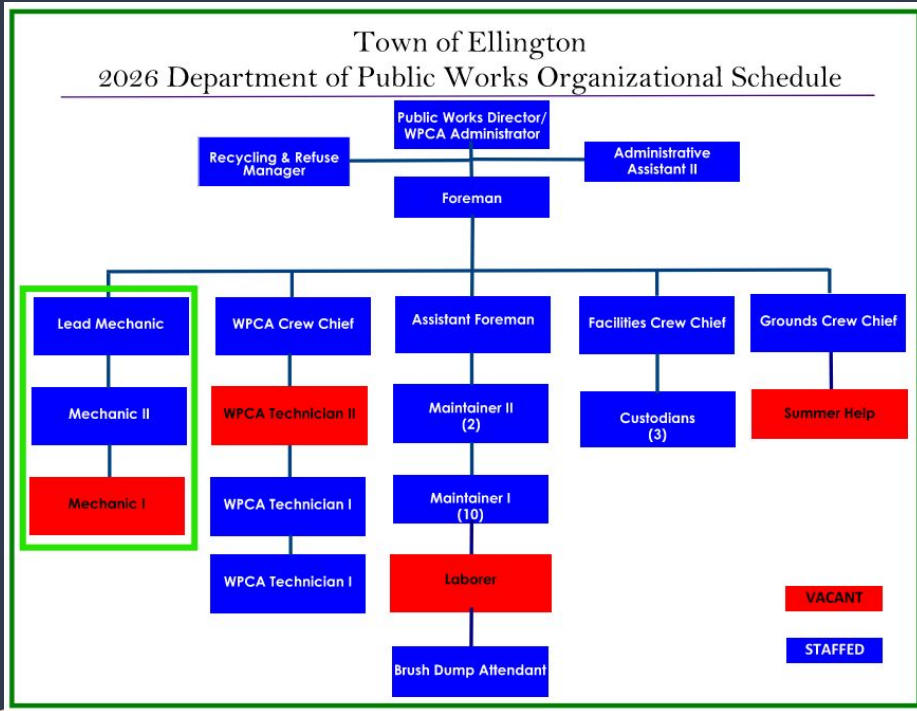


DPW/WPCA Managerial Staff

- Brian Novak - Lead Mechanic (Top Left)
- Phil Kidney - WPCA Crew Chief
- Kevin Gambacorta - DPW Assistant Foreman
- Casey Lombardi - Facilities Crew Chief
- Bob Ouellette - Grounds Crew Chief (Bottom Right)



Who are we?



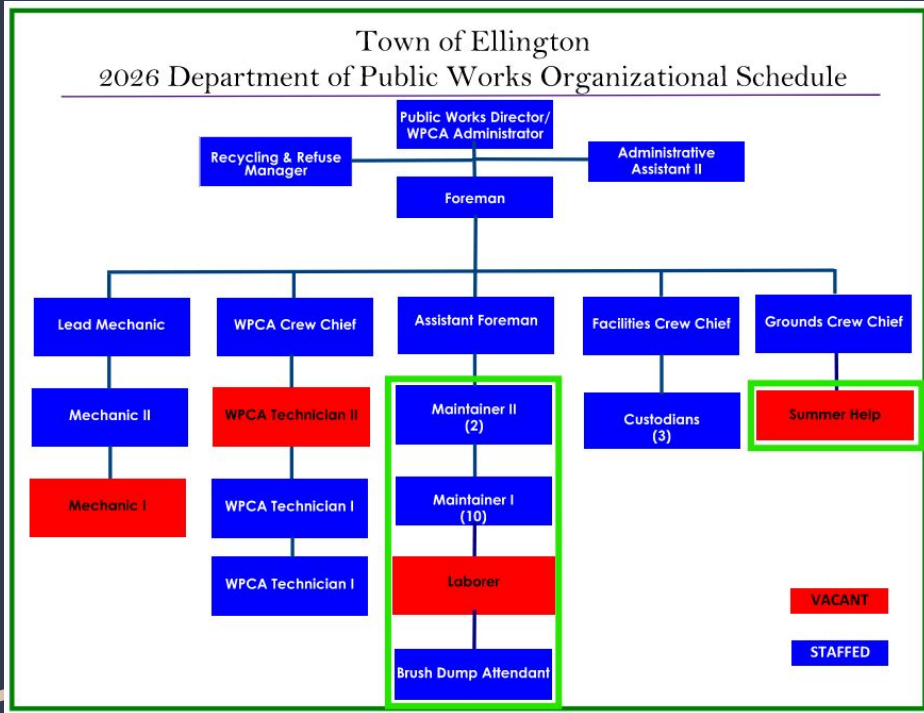
DPW/WPCA Fleet Maintenance Team

- Brian Novak - Lead Mechanic (Left)
- Perry Dikeman - Mechanic II (Right)



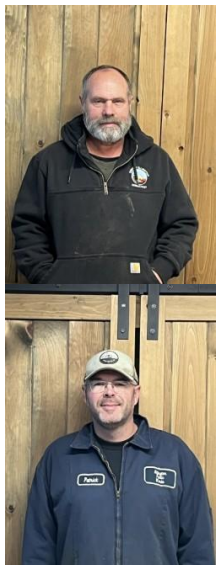
We hope to bring on a third technician in FY28.

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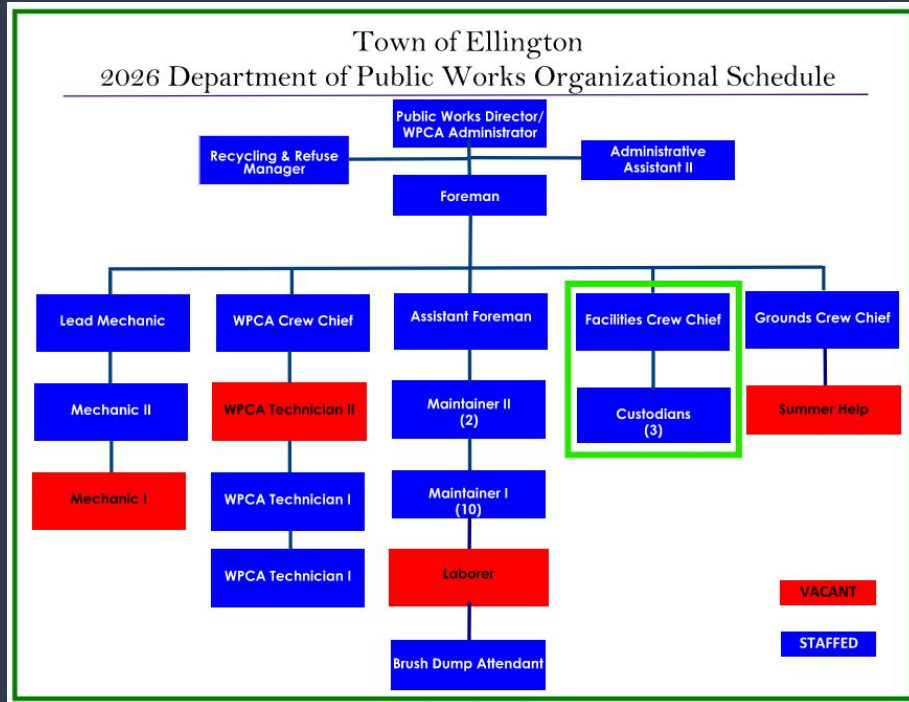


DPW/WPCA Labor Team

- Ron Moser - Maintainer II(Top)
- Pat Roy - Maintainer II (Bottom)
- Jason Suchecki - Maintainer I (Top Left)
- Keith Jarvis - Maintainer I
- Denis Giroux - Maintainer I
- Spencer Hutchinson - Maintainer I
- James Muratori - Maintainer I
- John Hoffman - Maintainer I
- Chris Stanley - Maintainer I
- Greg Miano - Maintainer I
- Ben Pare - Maintainer I
- Kyle McDonald - Maintainer I (Bottom Right)



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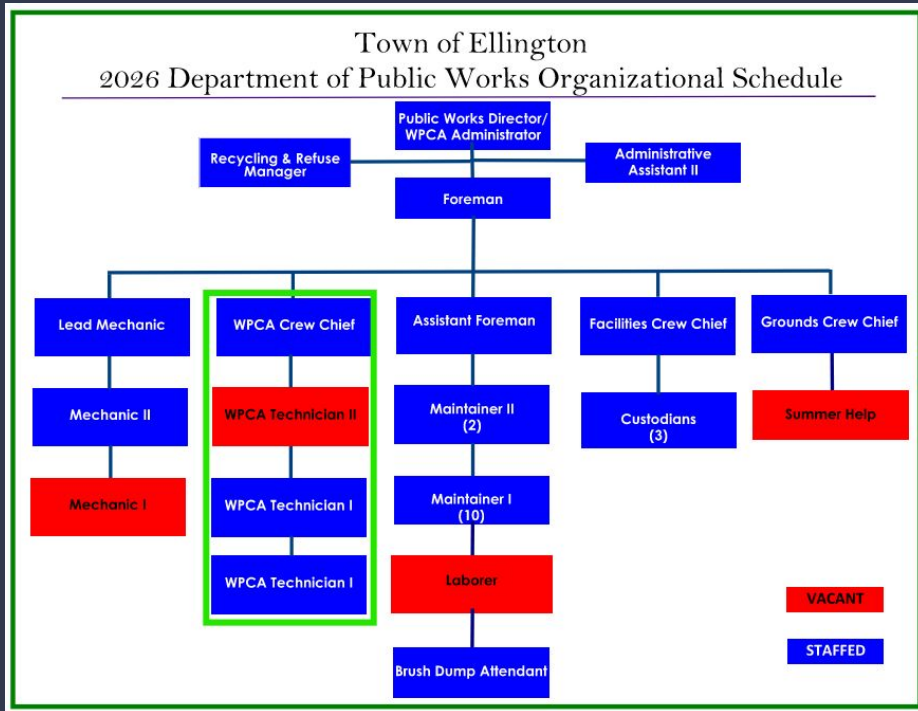


DPW/WPCA Facilities Team

- Casey Lombardi - Facilities Crew Chief (Left)
- Dana DiNallo - 1st Shift Custodian
- Gary Berube - 2nd Shift Custodian
- Victoria Brooks - Second Shift Custodian (Right)



Who are we?



WPCA Team

- Phil Kidney - WPCA Crew Chief (Left)
- Sam Hubbard - WPCA Maintainer I
- Rob Berthiaume - WPCA Maintainer I (Right)



There are times when DPW will need assistance from the WPCA team and vice versa. These hours are tracked and charged accordingly. Same with vehicle maintenance. We strive to ensure separation between the Town and the WPCA.

What do we do?



- Administrative Functions
- Roads
- Grounds
- Facilities
- WPCA
- MSW
- Fleet

What don't we do?

The following slides give a look into what our responsibilities are. Please note that this is **not** an all-inclusive list and should be used as a guide.

Administrative Team Functions



- Assemble & manage all team members
- Provide structure & guidance for departmental function
- Review & comment on incoming development plans
- Participate in multiple board meetings
- Review, prepare and present annual operating & capital budgets
- Meet & coordinate with Town engineer(s) on Town-wide projects
- Maintain regulatory agency compliance
- Participate in various departmental meetings & coordination
- Act as the Town's Tree Warden
- Provide pleasant customer service to all inquiries
- Process all accounts payable invoices
- Process all revenue transactions related to DPW
- Record WPCA minutes
- Monitor & reconcile annual operating & capital budgets
- Seek & provide adequate equipment for safe & efficient task completion
- Adhere to Union Contract and Town policies
- Support & provide excellent workplace atmosphere focusing on employee input
- Coordinate with other departments for various functions.

Public Roadway Maintenance



- Ice & Snow removal & surface treatment
- Pavement maintenance & repair
- Storm drainage maintenance & repair
- Line Striping
- Street & Regulatory sign maintenance & repair
- Right of Way (ROW) permit review & approval
- Tree elevating & maintenance
- Sidewalk maintenance & repair
- Roadside dumping management
- Deceased animal removal
- Sight line maintenance & improvement
- Roadside vegetation control
- Curbing maintenance & repair
- Bridge maintenance and repair
- Guide Rail & guide post maintenance & repair
- Town facility parking lot maintenance & repair
- Winter damage restoration
- Driveway apron concern review and necessary actions
- Dirt road maintenance - Year round
- Coordination with adjacent communities regarding road improvement projects
- Annual detent pond maintenance
- Public utility coordination
- Speed & Traffic data collection

Grounds Maintenance



- Public green space maintenance & improvements
 - Mowing & trimming
 - Lighting maintenance & repair
 - Trash
- Athletic space maintenance & improvements
 - Mowing & trimming
 - Line layout & striping
 - Field grooming & grading
 - Lighting maintenance & repair
 - Trash
- Irrigation system maintenance, repair & administration
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program administration
- Trails work requests
- Community garden tilling
- Annual bleacher & playscape inspections
- Public beach grooming & swim area installation
- Setup for Town activities
- Maintain Town facility curb appeal
- Ensure game fields are ready for all scheduled activities
- Maintain equipment related to these activities

Facilities Maintenance



- Daily cleaning of all Town facilities
- Schedule preventative maintenance and inspections for all necessary utilities
- Respond to occupant requests for service
- Improvements to facilities as needs change and items age out.
- Coordinate contractor work and post for necessary closures or restrictions.
- Coordinate with IT any necessary repairs or improvements
- Daily setup within necessary facilities
- Daily flag maintenance
- Parking lot & sidewalk snow & ice removal
- Determine Capital needs of all facilities
- HVAC system administration
- Key inventory management & building access administration
- Garage door management
- Collaborate with Fire Departments and Board of Education for shared services projects
- Monthly Fire extinguisher, AED & emergency lighting inspections & testing.

Water Pollution Control Authority



- Operation & maintenance of 7 pump stations in two Districts
- Operation and maintenance of 110 private grinder pumps
- Operation and maintenance of 57 miles of sanitary sewer mainline pipe & associated manholes
- Call Before You Dig (CBYD) markout requests
- Emergency response to all sewer-related issues
- Provide sanitary inspections of new installations and all repair work
- Review, prepare and present annual operating and Capital budgets by May
- Provide transparent communications with rate payers
- Provide responses to informational requests regarding all sanitary functions
- Hold monthly board meetings and schedule special meetings or public hearings as necessary
- Participate in Stafford & Vernon's monthly board meetings

Municipal Solid Waste & Recycling



- Develop and implement sustainable Town-wide waste management solutions
- Monitor curbside recycling for contamination
- Respond to public dumping complaints
- Manage the Town's recycling center, swap shop & brush dump
- Maintain compliance with regulatory agencies
- Provide clear communication to residents on available programs
- Participate in Town activities to promote sustainable practices.
- Review, develop and present annual operating budget
- Prepare contract specifications for curbside trash & recycle services
- Manage the Town's Household Hazardous waste collection program
- Collaborate with surrounding communities on new and existing programs
- Work with the Board of Education to implement sustainable practices

Fleet Maintenance Operations



- Maintain Town vehicle & equipment assets for the following departments:
 - DPW
 - Town Hall/Annex Pool Cars
 - Senior Center
 - Police Department
 - WPCA
- Track & report asset maintenance
- Maintain adequate parts/supply inventory
- Treat & supply fuel for ALL Town assets
- Spec & procure replacement assets
- Maintain State & Federal fleet compliance
- Calibrate winter de-icing material applicators
- Coordinate asset repairs with other departments
- Maintain Town facility stand by generators
- Maintain Police watercraft
- Coordinate the sale/disposal of Town assets
- Track asset location via GPS
- Respond to emergency/non-emergency asset-related service calls
- Monitor annual budget

Current Projects As of November 2025:

- Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP)
 - L047-0002 - Route 83 sidewalks from Main Street to Vernon town line. Funded, 90% design. Advertise in January/February 2026.
 - L047-0003 - Windermere Ave. sidewalks from Pinney St. (CT-286) to Vernon town line. Funded, 90% design. Advertise in winter 2027.
 - L047-0004 - Route 83 sidewalks from Maple St. to Main St. ON HOLD
 - L047-0005 - Windsorville Rd & Pinney Rd. intersection realignment & sidewalks. Funded, preliminary design. Advertise in 2028.
 - L047-0005 - Burbank Rd. culvert replacement. Funded, 100% design. Will be a pilot project for LOTICIP & EzIQ.
- DEEP
 - Ellington Tree Inventory. 50% cost share awarded. Will implement in spring 2026.
- Congressionally Directed Spending
 - Farmstead Ln & Charter Rd clay sewer main and lateral replacement. No update.
- WPCA
 - Windermere Ave sanitary sewer extension
 - WPCA service truck replacement
 - WPCA Inflow & Infiltration (INI) study & repairs
 - High School pump station generator replacement
 - Crystal Lake pump station upgrade design
 - Pump Station driveway paving
 - Secondary power transfer switch installations
 - WPCA Rate Study

Current Projects As of November 2025:

- Capital Projects

- Spring Roadwork
 - Thin Friction Wearing Course
 - Angel Trace, Gabriel Dr, Teaberry Ridge, Gasek Farms, Anthony Way, Allen Ridge, Cantor Knoll, Ridgeview Way.
 - Full-Width Mill & Pave
 - Hayes Rd, Hillsdale Rd, Field Rd, Egypt Rd.
- Culvert/Bridge Work
 - Webster Rd culvert lining & headwall repair.
 - 125 Shenipsit Rd culvert replacement
 - Tripp Rd culvert replacement
 - Broadbrook Rd, Lower Butcher Rd, Windermere Rd, Hatheway Rd & Bridge St structure clearing/cleaning

- Capital Projects Cont'd

- Market Park sidewalk installation
- Sidewalk ADA compliance improvements
- Guidepost replacements throughout Town
- Hall Memorial Library basement waterproofing & book cellar painting
- Center Fire (Station 43) Men's bathroom remodel
- Town Hall ADA railing installation and stair tread replacement
- Crystal Lake beach improvement design
- Tennis & Basketball court repairs
- Hoffman Rd brush dump testing & survey
- High School running track maintenance
- Ladd Rd & Newell Hill Rd improvements
- 82 Hoffman drainage improvement

Current Projects As of November 2025:

- Miscellaneous

- Human Services reception & food pantry remodeling
- Library Veterans Memorial flag relocation
- Dog pound statutory updates
- Annex, Police, Human Services/Recreation, School landscaping removal & improvements
- Irrigation connection at Arbor Park
- Library patio fence & furniture
- Pinney Fields shed siding replacement
- Remove Station 43's heating fuel tank
- Human Services pavilion/patio
- Engine repair/repair on DPW #24
- DPW Garage floor epoxy
- Paving of the Recycling Center
- DPW Accreditation

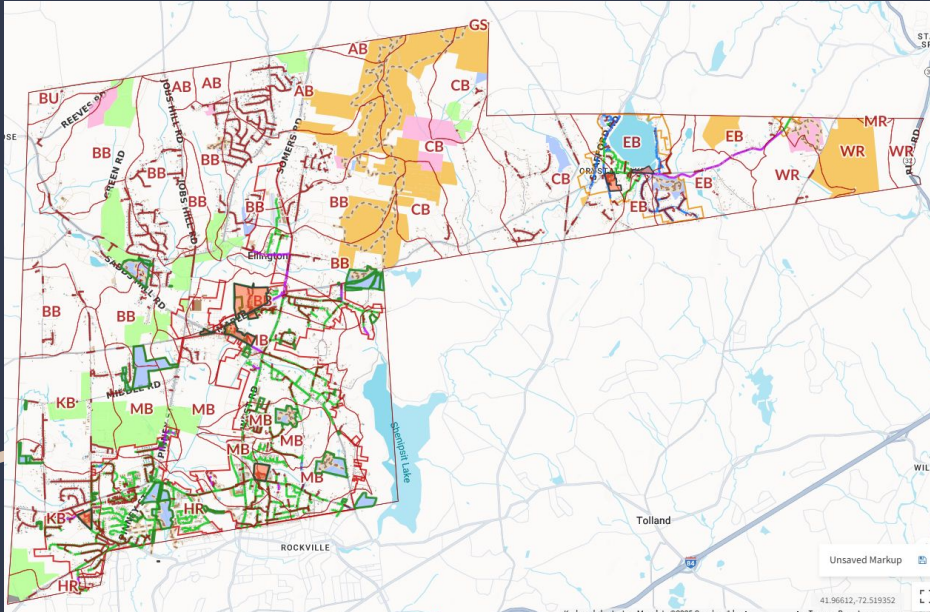
- Future Projects In Engineering

- Kibbe Rd & Somers Rd (CT-83) realignment & culvert repair
- Town Hall Solar Carports & paving

- Future Projects Not In Engineering Yet

- Crystal Lake sidewalk
- Town center lighting & sidewalk improvements
- Park St Rotary (Maple & Main Intersection)
- 59 Maple athletic field expansion or housing development
- Wappingwood Rd sidewalks
- Meadowbrook-to-Maple walking trail
- Sanitary sewer expansion along Maple St and Tomaka Ave.
- Middle Rd & Pinney Rd realignment
- Green Rd property purchase and closure
- Glenwood Rd public drinking water supply

Where do we work?



EVERYWHERE!

21 Main St. is our Main Location, but we work all over:

- 10 Public facilities
- Hoffman Rd Brush Dump
- 4 Public Parks
- 5 School Athletic Spaces
 - 17 Baseball/Softball
 - 14 Multi-Use fields
 - Running Track
 - 2 Grandstands
- 8 Trail Networks
- Community Garden
- Public Beach
- 160 +/- Acres of Open Space
- 7 Pump Stations
- 110 Private Sewage Grinder Pumps
- 57 Miles of Sanitary Sewer Mainline Pipe
- 101 Miles of Stormwater Infrastructure
- 110 Miles of Public Roadway
- **ALL WITHIN 34.6 SQ. MILES OF ELLINGTON**

Why do we do what we do?

“The mission of the Public Works Department is to plan, build, maintain, and improve the community’s infrastructure and public spaces in a reliable, efficient, and sustainable manner. We are committed to providing high-quality services that enhance public safety, support economic vitality, and improve the quality of life for all residents and visitors.”

Tax payers, rightfully so, have high expectations. As such, the Ellington DPW sets high standards for all aspects of what we do.

Focusing on safe, accessible spaces for the public to enjoy is a driving force of our prioritization.

Whether it’s plowing/treating roadways in the winter, mowing and lining fields in the spring/fall, flushing sanitary sewer lines, painting/remodeling Town facilities, monitoring recycling habits for contamination or ensuring team members/residents feel heard when there are concerns, we are committed and dedicated to public service.

Working closely with Town Boards, Administration and other departments, we consistently deliver quality always considering the public funds at stake.

How do we do what we do?



Areas of Focus

1. Budget
2. Roadwork
3. Grounds Maintenance
4. Facility CIP projects
5. WPCA
6. MSW & Recycling
7. Fleet Maintenance



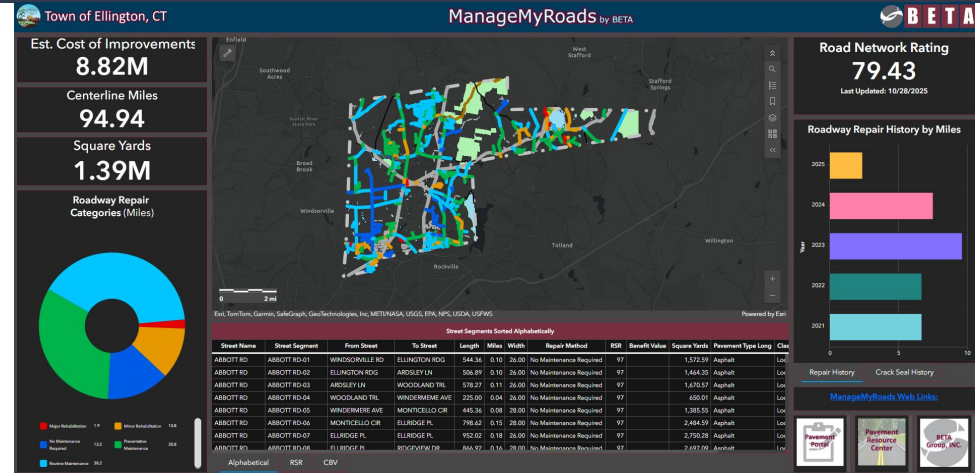
Administrative Team – Budget



Budgets					
Account	Budget	Spent	Remaining	% Remaining	
410DPW	\$ 1,161,850.00	\$ 324,532.38	\$ 837,317.62	72%	
WPCA	\$ 2,919,360.00	\$ 1,439,347.96	\$ 1,479,812.04	51%	
Capital	\$ 1,398,750.00	\$ 861,613.91	\$ 537,136.09	62%	
Other	\$ 877,300.00	\$ 383,997.86	\$ 493,302.14	45%	
Payroll	\$ 2,251,300.00	\$ 704,046.83	\$ 1,547,253.17	69%	

PUBLIC WORKS PAYABLES					
Account	Budget	Spent	Remaining	% Remaining	
410DPW	\$ 1,175,185.00	\$ 698,364.42	\$ 476,820.58	60%	
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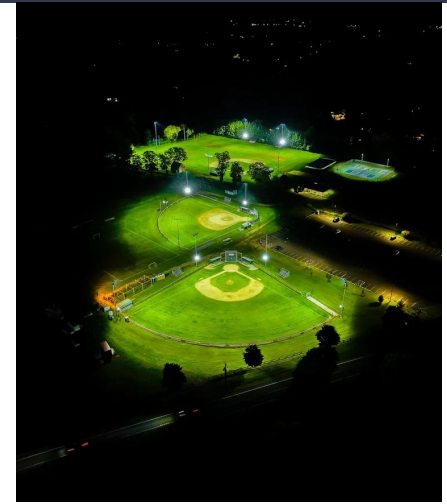
- We use data to propose budget requests that reflect spending trends, building from the ground up.
- Data is used in conjunction with field surveys to determine which roads are improved and by what means.
- Departmental needs, compliance and facility/asset condition are data points utilized to propose Capital project funding.
- Throughout the process, we maintain open communication with Town Administration and the Finance Office

Public Roadway Maintenance



- We take a long-term, holistic approach to road maintenance. Focusing more dollars on preservation than on rehabilitation. When we go into an area, we strive to focus on all necessary improvements including drainage, sidewalks, curbing and pavement.
- A Lidar road scan provides the data used to assist in the decision process for which roads and when.
- Our goal is to perform improvements to 5-10% of Ellington's road network annually.
- We are not afraid to try new products and treatments to ensure Ellington's roads get the best treatment possible.

Grounds Maintenance



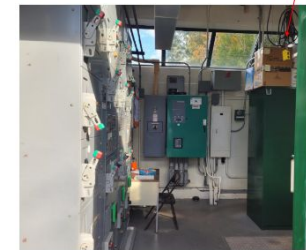
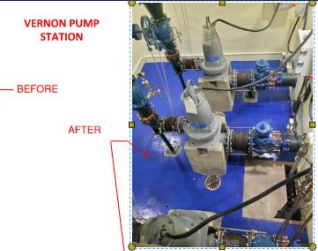
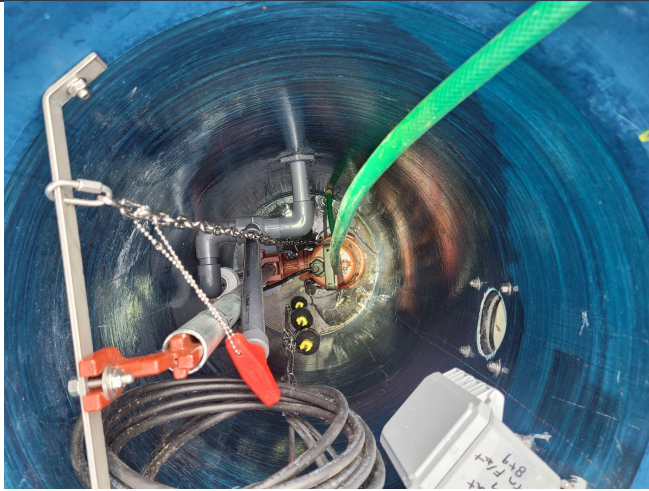
- Our team is dedicated to providing clean, safe and attractive athletic spaces. We work diligently to ensure field conditions are playable as often as possible.
- We have an Integrated Pest Management Program (IPM) and an aggressive overseeding plan that is gaining on the excessive use we are currently experiencing. Additional field space must be considered in the future to ensure field remain safe and playable during the busiest seasons.
- The off-season is dedicated to field repair and equipment maintenance so we are ready to go in the spring!

Facilities Maintenance



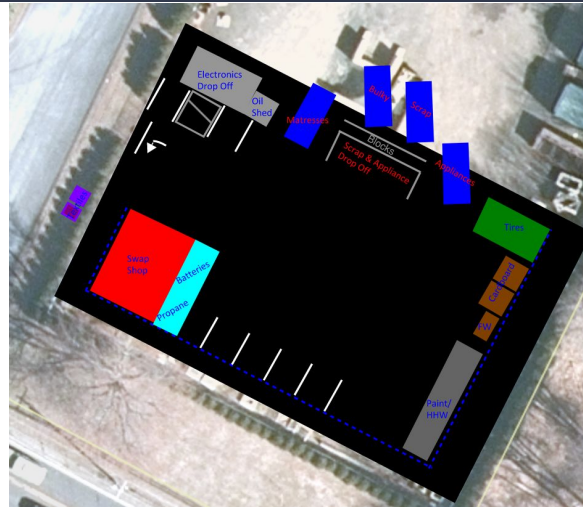
- DPW handles both janitorial service and maintenance/repair services for Ellington's Town buildings. This includes everything from mopping floors and ensuring health and safety protocols are met to moving buildings and ensuring our facilities are accessible to all who may need them.
- Our custodial team consists of two second shift custodians, one first shift custodian and a hybrid supervisor that works 9-5:30. This ensures adequate coverage both during the day and after hours when cleaning efforts are less intrusive.
- Additionally, DPW maintainers are a group of very talented individuals. We capitalize on these talents during the winter months and take on many remodeling projects.

Water Pollution Control Authority



- The Ellington WPCA consists of 2 districts, Hockanum and Crystal Lake. Serving 2,983 and 373 users respectively.
- The code; Sections 143, 305, 320, 325 and 330 govern the operation of the Authority.
- Three team members, an Administrator and an Administrative Assistant operate the day-to-day functions, responding to all calls during and after hours.
- As an enterprise fund, it operates separate from the Town's budget and is governed by a 5-person board.

Municipal Solid Waste & Recycling



TOWN OF Ellington 2025 TRASH & RECYCLING COLLECTION CALENDAR

Recyclables are collected every other week. Shaded Weeks = Pickup Weeks

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
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SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
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Common Recycling Contaminants

- Plastic Bags
- Bubble Wrap
- Shipping Envelope
- Plastic Wrap
- Styrofoam
- Plastic Packaging

Bagged recyclables go straight to the landfill. Please empty recyclables from plastic bags and dispose bag in trash.

Bulky Waste – Call 860-289-7850

-Construction Waste- Private dumpster disposal only.

Recycling Center – 21 Main Street

- Electronics
- Car Batteries
- Clothing
- Cardboard
- Scrap Metal
- Textiles
- Appliances
- Propane Tanks
- Waste Oil
- Food Scraps

Mattress and Paint Disposal

Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Recycling Saturdays 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Other appointments available, see website.
Swap Shop

April – November
Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Recycling Saturdays 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Brush Scrap - Punch Card Required
Located on Hoffman Road across from Franlee Lane.
April – November
Tuesday 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

☎ (860) 870-3140
✉ recycle@ellington-ct.gov
🌐 ellington-ct.gov/trash

⚠ One-day delay in pickup (New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day)

- Trash & Recycling represents the 2nd largest portion of our budget. Maintaining checks and balances on all related services is very important to ensure the taxpayer is getting the best service for their money.
- Our Recycling and Refuse Manager monitors curbside recycling to reduce contamination, coordinates additional avenues for disposal to reduce curbside tonnage, works with surrounding communities to regionalize efforts wherever possible and tracks all data related to MSW & Recycling so we may quickly react to changes.
- Being prepared and staying ahead of regulation keeps Ellington at the forefront of this industry.

Fleet Maintenance Operations



- DPW Fleet Maintenance ensures not only DPW assets are ready to roll at a moment's notice but also the Police and Town Hall vehicles.
- With two technicians, our backlist never gets shorter. Often times, we are putting out fires instead of being preventative. In the upcoming years, there will be a request for a third technician to reduce the backlog and take on additional responsibility.
- This team also performs bi-monthly inspection of the Town building stand by generators.

DPW remains
committed to
maintaining safe,
efficient, and
sustainable services
for our
community—today
and into the future.



I hope this information helps depict some of
our main focus areas and helps create a
general understanding of our operation.

Thank you for your continued support!

