



2019 Tioga County Public Works Annual Report

The Tioga County Buildings and Grounds Division performed several office renovations for departments in 2019 including the Tioga County Clerk, Economic Development and Planning and Information Technologies. Two capital projects, both roof replacements, were completed for the Clerk's Office and the Buildings and Grounds Facility.

The Tioga County Buildings and Grounds Division was also called upon to create space within our existing floorplans to facilitate new hires in the District Attorney's Office and the County Attorney's Office. The new hires are required as a result of mandates from New York State. These retrofits required the displacement of current employees and disrupted their productivity. While the work was done predominately with Buildings and Grounds Employees to save costs, there was still a cost to Tioga County taxpayers.

The Tioga County Highway Division continues to maintain the Tioga County Highways and Bridges. Several Capital Projects were completed in 2019 including Phase 4 of our Bridge Maintenance Program. Other major projects include the Day Hollow Road Bridge over Foster Creek replacement. A concrete box culvert was installed on West River Drive by the intersection of Mount Pleasant Road. There were extensive scour protection measures installed at the Oak Hill Road Bridge closest to NYS Route 17C. A pipe arch structure was installed on Ellis Creek Road, and Dean Creek Road was reconstructed.

The majority of road projects are funded through an annual reimbursement from the State and Federally funded Capital Highway Improvement Plan (CHIPS). The Statewide Allotment from the CHIPS Program, and therefore the Tioga County Allotment, has been stagnant for the past Five Years. Construction costs, however, have not been stagnant and continue to rise. There have been some increases in other funding streams but there are still insufficient funding streams available to maintain the Tioga County Infrastructure to a level that the Tioga County Taxpayers should be able to expect.

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