

Town Stonington, Department of Public Works



Road Maintenance

Public Roads in the Town of Stonington are maintained by two entities – The Town of Stonington and the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT). Most major thoroughfares in Stonington are maintained by the CTDOT, including East Main, Broadway, Roosevelt Street, Williams Avenue, Stonington Westerly Road, North Water, Trumbull Avenue, Elm Street (1A), Stonington Road, South Broad Street, West Broad Street, Pequot Trail, Greenmanville Road, White Hall Avenue, New London Turnpike, Liberty Street, and North Street.

The Town is responsible for the maintenance of roads currently included in the Stonington Maintained Road System (see attached list of Town Locally Maintained Roads). The Stonington Department of Public Works is provided funding from the Board of Finance for maintenance of Town accepted public roads. The Public Works Department, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance, provides road construction and maintenance services in an equitable and objective manner.

Private road maintenance is not the responsibility of the Town; it is the responsibility of owner(s) along the road. Private road maintenance includes, 1) ensuring the road remains in a passable condition for all owner(s) including snow removal, pavement or gravel repair 2) maintenance of existing storm drainage systems, storm drain improvements, and ensuring drainage from the roadway does not negatively impact abutting or down-gradient properties, and 3) tree, shrub and vegetation maintenance.

The Town's alternative to private road maintenance, requires the property owners to improve the road to Town Standards for your specific road type. The property owner(s) build or improve the road to the required standards and petition to the Board of Selectman to accept the road for maintenance. The road will not be considered for inclusion in the Stonington Maintained Road System unless or until they are constructed, at no cost to the Town, to Town standards with appropriate drainage features. Minimum guidelines and standards for the improvements include, but not be limited to;

- Town of Stonington applicable sections of the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.
- Town of Stonington, Technical Standards for Land Development and Road Construction, Section 2 Roadway Construction and Appendix C, Roadway Acceptance Checklist.
- The owner(s) would have to submit to the Public Works Department for approval a plan showing the roadway width, a typical pavement section, required grading, storm drainage, and other public improvements that may be required.
- Provide a letter from a licensed engineer that the proposed road work on the street would not create any adverse impacts to any Town or abutting properties. If there are any impacts, a storm water design from a licensed engineer will be required.
- The owner is required to notify the Town prior to construction to review inspection requirements with the Public Works Department.
- Obtain as may be required any local, state or federal permits required to bring the private road up to Town Standards.