

# Avon Township Road Report – 2020 Actions

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*Avon Township Hall, 16881 Queens Road, Avon (MN)*

The following is a summary of Township road-related activities during 2020:

1. Avon Township held the annual road inspection on August 3, 2020 to assess the condition of roads. Based on the inspection the Supervisors authorized an assortment of projects.
2. Several were identified for resurfacing. An engineer from StanTec was hired to help prepare bid documents. Knife River supplied the lowest bid and we were able to resurface the following roads:
  - a. Shorewood Drive
  - b. Orchid Court
  - c. Highland Terrace
  - d. Tower Road (1 mile from Co Rd 54)
3. The blacktop was removed from a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the road was converted to gravel.
4. The Supervisors authorized the development of a Road Maintenance Plan. It is nearly complete.
5. The Township completed routine maintenance (brushing, removing downed trees, trimming trees, filling potholes, shouldering work, replaced signs, etc) on nearly 50% (30 of 61) of our roads.
6. Gravel roads were graded three times.
7. Weeds were managed by spraying on three different days.
8. Ditches were cut twice.
9. Roads were plowed and salt-sanded on 25 days. Some residents who pushed snow across a Township road were sent letters informing them that the practice is illegal and requesting them to stop doing so.
10. Several streets were swept to remove sand.
11. Work to pull in shoulders was completed on about three different days.
12. We continue to do the majority of our own truck maintenance.
13. We are planning to resurface Narnia Lane, and several roads in the Blattner Addition.

**Summary:** Overall, Avon Township roads are in reasonably good shape. We are lucky to have a full-time employee who closely monitors Town roads and handles the majority of our roadwork. We encourage residents to alert Supervisors to roads in need of attention.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
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