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## THE VILLAGE OF SUGAR MOUNTAIN 251 Dick Trundy Lane Sugar Mountain, NC 28604

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Well, we got our first taste of winter weather this week. Luckily, we had spent the last few weeks preparing all of the equipment while the weather was warm and this episode was handled without any disruptions or problems with our trucks. The preparations include replacement of all bearings on the spreaders, installation of new drag chains on 2 of the spreaders and a motor replacement on our oldest one. New cutting edges were placed on all the plows and we also replaced the plow lights on 2 of the trucks. Hopefully this allows an issue free winter with the usage of the equipment. The installation of a new guardrail is in progress in the area of 1950 Grouse Moor Drive. This is an area where we lost a tremendous number of trees, and the guardrail will provide added security for our residents and guests. The guardrail at the bottom of Timber Ridge Road on Sugar Mountain Drive will be replaced, along with the addition on one on Briarcliff Road. This work is being completed by Beam Construction. More good news is that the paving crew will be on site next week completing needed repairs and patching throughout the mountain. This will allow roads that are currently gravel such as Park Lane and the entrance to the park facility to be completed. Needed patching will take place on Mossy Creek, Highland Circle, Sugar Mountain Drive, and Rock Spring Circle.

Our golf construction crew Dail Golf will be completing their work for the winter next week. This will leave us with only the stream restoration part of the process to be completed. Hopefully the RFP will be issued in the next couple of weeks for that process. We will still have 3 tee boxes to place new sod on when warmer spring weather arrives. I am so thankful for Dail Golf and all that they have accomplished. This will allow us to reopen in the spring with all 18 holes available for play. A new process for us this winter will be the covering of all of our sand traps to protect the investment of the new sand and prevent the erosion and wind scarification of the sand. I will be out of the office next week on the 16th - 19th attending the Carolinas Golf Course Superintendents Association Conference. While there I and my assistant David Cook will receive 16 hours of educational classes and be provided with multiple networking opportunities with businesses that pertain to golf maintenance. I would like to wish each of you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Respectfully submitted,

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