

October 11, 2022

Dear residents of 380-436 Hinchey Road,

As you are aware, Dolomite donated the 110 acres behind your homes to the Town. We want this property to benefit our residents. One way our Highway Department can do that is by using the cleared area directly behind your homes for the temporary storage and composting of leaves. When the Town picks up leaves, having a local place to take them speeds up the process, making it more efficient. It saves wear and tear on the trucks, reduces fuel costs and decreases overtime. It improves the service tremendously.

We're excited to do something new and use this new property to improve our leaf service program. Over the next few weeks, we will be improving portions of the existing road to allow for the heavier trucks, hardening the yard area's surface with millings to prevent rutting, and building a berm to screen the yard area from your homes. It will be a work in progress. We may continue building up the berm next spring and potentially plant trees between the berm and your backyards next fall.

As for the leaves themselves, we envision working with the County to compost those leaves that we feel we can reuse, and the rest would be hauled out as weather allows over the winter and following spring.