

## Columbia County Traffic Safety Board Report

The Columbia County Traffic Safety Board met at the Public Safety Building in Hudson on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

The Columbia County Board of Supervisors has finally appointed a new Executive Secretary, John Gallo, to the Traffic Safety Board.

The Columbia County Highway Department provided the following updates:

- Installation of one guiderail on CR 32 in Chatham remains to be done. Paving on CR 7D in Hillsdale is dependent on weather and Colarusso's schedule.
- Culvert installation has been completed on CR 18 in Claverack. Expect intermittent lane closures throughout the winter for tree clearing and rock removal. Bulk of reconstruction will take Spring 2023.
- Design projects on-going for the replacement of Bash Bish bridge in Copake (construction 2023); reconstruction of CR 7A in the Copake Hamlet (anticipated construction 2024); replacement of stall Bridge in Clermont (construction 2023-24); replacement of Stuyvesant Falls Bridge (2026); replacement of culverts on CR 7 in Austerlitz and on CR 7 in Ancram.
- County bridge on Tribrook Road in Hillsdale was closed to all traffic in October due to severe beam deterioration.

CSX is repairing rails and replacing ties at several grade crossings around the county.

Issues at the Bells Pond intersection were to be discussed at this meeting, but have been tabled until our January meeting when we expect to have DOT present.

NYS DOT has appointed Kristina Crowley as the new Resident Engineer at the Columbia County Residency in Hudson.

The next meeting of the Columbia County Traffic Safety Board is scheduled for January 26, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Swartz, Town of Taghkanic CCTSB Representative  
and CCTSB Recording Secretary