

## Bristol Town Administrator

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**From:** Jill Marsano <jill@vtums.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 6, 2020 12:07 PM  
**To:** Eric; Joel Bouvier; Bristol Town Administrator  
**Subject:** Clarification on Street Sweeping

Eric, Joel & Valerie,

Cyrus received feedback this Monday morning that VTUMS will not be paid for time when the sweeping brooms are up on the truck. I think this feedback requires some education on how street sweeping works. The mechanical sweeper has brooms on the sides and back that collect the debris from the roadway and bring the debris up a conveyor to the hopper (an enclosed dump body on the back of the truck). When the brooms are down, the truck can only be driven about 2-3 miles an hour to effectively pick up as much debris as possible. In addition, the brooms are level, thus low spots/missing chunks in pavement are not possible to pick up debris from. When this hopper becomes full, it is necessary to transport the debris to the area designated by the Town for dumping this material or dump into a chaser truck. This spot is the Town garage off of Pine Street. So, each time the debris body is full, the brooms are lifted so that the truck can be driven at normal speed limits to bring the debris to the dump spot, empty, and head back to resume the area that's being swept and the brooms are again lowered.

In an effort to save money, Eric asked Cyrus to not have the VTUMS 1-ton dump truck follow him to collect the debris and make the debris dump runs, rather to do the sweeping with just the sweeper truck and run the debris to the Town garage except when Eric or a member of his crew is available to help transport. I believe they are scheduled to work together early next week to finish the last of the upper roads that are furthest away and heaviest in debris.

We are very conscientious of our work and providing a good value to the Town and welcome a conversation to clear up and remaining questions or concerns you may have.

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