

# ROAD REPORT

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## FROM THE ENGINEER

The 2016 budget is complete and was submitted to the County Commissioners yesterday. Road Superintendent Chad Fisher, Assistant Road Superintendent Mark Auxter and Foremen Perry Hill, Eric Wheatley and Tim Below went along with Kris and I to the Commissioners'. The budget is about as lackluster as it can get, I hope.

Just over 12 miles of paving (Finefrock, Limerick, Maple, 185 and parts of 181 and 198); seal coating CR 260 between 412 and Route 6; one bridge on CR 32 that was on the agenda for this year that didn't get done; a new roof on Building 9 and sealing the asphalt areas in the yard. The equipment account is almost non-existent with just a hydra seeder and berm re-claimer still on the list. At the last minute, our projected income went down \$130,000 so many cuts were made including a new service truck and a new boom mower. Hopefully these can be restored if our income is more than expected or expenses underrun.

Congratulations to Jan Dorr on his pending retirement. The way the weather has been, he just might get out of here without having to drive a snowplow again!

## FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

### FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT (BENNY CARD)

Check the website [www.mybenny.com](http://www.mybenny.com) or call 1-877-810-2600 to check your account balance. Remember to submit any outstanding claims or receipts. Keep your Benny Card; you will use it for 2016.

### Open Enrollment Superior Dental and Guardian Life

Sandusky County offers dental and life insurance. If you are interested in making any changes, please let me know by December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### HEALTH INSURANCE

2016 Hospitalization  
Medical Mutual – SuperMed PPO

### Payroll Deductions:

Employee \$19.81  
Employee/Spouse \$47.84  
Employee/Children \$43.17  
Family \$61.85

## FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

So far so good on the weather for this time of year. It has been above normal temperatures. With the warm and dry conditions we are able to keep going on projects like crack sealing. The crew has been working on CR 13.

CR 294 ditch repair was finished. The excavator has moved over to TR 226 where the banks had slipped and sluffed down. Dirt spoils from this project were hauled over to CR 177 and leveled out. This project should finish up today and we will be starting to clean some road side ditches and have a couple of log jams to take care of.

The brush crew is out working on trimming back trees and brush for the winter. They are also cleaning up around guardrails, utility poles, and Turnpike overpasses. If anyone knows of any areas that need cut and trimmed, please let me know.

Eddie has finished up with the boom mower for the year. For the past few weeks he has been working for some of the Townships on their deeper ditches.

### ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Pot holes were filled on East State St. Finefrock, CR 198,175, and 177.
- Spot berming continues as needed.
- The last few spots for snow fence were put up for the winter season.