

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE DEPUTY ENGINEER

Last week, I attended the Sandusky County Prevention Partnership Coalition's asset builder's recognition luncheon at Terra State Community College. We are a part of the Prevention Partnership Safe Communities, which is a community collaboration formed in 1999 following the award of a Drug-Free Community Coalition Grant. This grant was awarded through the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and the Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky, and Wyandot Counties. Jim or I attend their quarterly meeting for traffic fatality reviews in the county. The luncheon was a great opportunity to see what the Prevention Partnership Coalition, through the Sandusky County Health Department and other entities, is working on and developing in our county. The presentation was very well done and showed how they are educating our youth on the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and traffic accidents.

In the office, we've been working on several projects, including our ditch petition projects. The Schwochow ditch will be heading to the final hearing soon. This project has already been approved by ODNR and we have finalized how we plan on distributing the cost to everyone involved. This project is different than any other project we have undertaken. It involves a lot of paved and large roof areas that did not exist approximately 20 years ago. Our next step will be having a meeting with the Commissioners, the City of Fremont, and

Sandusky Township to get them all on board with the project and cost. After we talk to these groups, we will then ask the Commissioners for a bid date, along with a final hearing date. We plan on receiving bids for this project before we send out the final cost to property owners. We want to be as accurate on the cost as possible, as this could help the project be approved.

We are currently working on plans for our Pavement Marking contract for 2017. Rick has gone out and checked the roads to come up with a list of county roads that will be included. We also sent out notices to all of the townships and municipalities to invite them to be included in this contract. We hope to hear from most or all of them before the June 16th deadline. We anticipate a July bid date for this project.

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

HEALTH INSURANCE

We received our renewal rate which will be effective July 1st. New rates for payroll deduction are posted in the ready room and at the time clock. Our current health insurance benefits will remain the same. Payroll deduction increase will be on your July 7th paycheck.

Remember those who gave everything.



Have a safe and happy Memorial Day weekend!

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FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

The excavator has been staying busy with brush grinding around bridges. Since the last Road Report, we have finished up on TR 108 and have started on the bridge on CR 41, east of SR 590. The bridge on TR 108 took a little longer because once the brush was removed; we cleaned out the silt from under and around the bridge. We also extended a 36 inch concrete pipe out to the creek. Now we will have to let this job dry out and then we will be back to finish dirt work and plant grass seed. Clearing out brush and silt around bridges might be the norm for the excavator this summer.

Mowing continues on the east side of the county. Crews are now mowing everything they can as they bring the middle route back towards town. Once this round is complete and they head back west, the boom mower will also be going out.

We have started doing some of the shoulder work along CR 32, by the quarry. We also hauled dirt from the Bowe ditch on TR 26. This project will continue once some more dirt becomes available.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Areas around town and our yard are being kept mowed.
- Potholes are being filled as needed.
- The CR 260 ditch was cleaned and drive tiles jetted down.
- Tile was repaired on Morrison Rd.
- We have started crack sealing on CR 181 in between other jobs.
- Multiple catch basins were repaired on Finefrock Rd.
- Once catch basin was repaired on CR 213.