

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

The 2017 Sandusky County Fair is now history. Weather was cooperative, so hopefully they had a successful Fair. I, along with my wife and three grandchildren, had the honor of cutting the ribbon on opening day. That is a direct result of the work this department (not me) has done for the Fair over the years. Thanks to all who make us look good! Thanks also to Jenna, Perry and the rest of the boys for setting up our tent again this year.

Our paving is getting off to an exceptionally late start this year—we'll be starting about the same time we are normally wrapping up. M&B was supposed to start mailbox approaches on CR 198 today, but that has been backed off to next week. Milling is supposed to start September 13th followed by paving on the 18th. Once 198 is done, they will start on 175. The 175 project on the west side of SR 101 should be ready for asphalt next week. The dirt work should be done very soon.

We're already off to a good start for next year's paving. We received word that Napoleon Road and CR 30 have both received OPWC grants. We hope to bid them both yet this year.

Construction of the big electrical line from the Fremont Energy Plant to Sandusky is now underway in Sandusky County. They started at the Erie County line and are working west. Other than placing a pole in the wrong spot on the S-curve on TR 301, everything seems to be going smoothly. We are working to get that pole moved.

Enjoy the long Labor Day weekend!!

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Income Comparison
(License, Permissive, Gas Tax)
January – August

2017 \$2,924,988
2016 \$2,865,983

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

The Port Clinton Rd. project is pretty much complete except for seeding and mulching. The guys spent last week hauling in dirt from the yard and leveling it out with the dozer. The dirt was a little damp for us to do our final grading with the drag before seeding. But I would say sometime next week it will be seeded. We are also getting quotes from paving companies to possibly pave over the crossover.

We have been working with Ditch Maintenance hauling spoils off the Ferguson Ditch and the Gries Ditch. Today we are hauling rip rap rock for Sugar Creek. Next week we will be hauling dirt from Sugar Creek to finish up the shoulder work along CR 32 by the quarry. We will also be hauling some of the dirt to our yard for stock.

Eric is back out in the mini excavator cleaning some roadside ditches. He is working on his second section along CR 41. Once this is complete, we will be giving Ditch Maintenance a hand at cleaning the Lewis Ditch in York Twp., and a section of the Weber Ditch in Riley Twp. The big excavator is back to brush and silt removal around bridges. We started back in Ballville Twp. on CR 198 at the Green Creek Bridge. M&B will be paving this road in a couple of weeks so we thought we would get this bridge cleaned up before new asphalt is put down.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- The fair booth was set up and taken down for this year's County Fair.
- Dirt piles were consolidated in the yard to make room to stock pile some good dirt from Sugar Creek.
- Tony and Austin have been working on giving Building #9 a face lift. They are putting a fresh coat of paint on the outside walls.
- Kory and Travis are working on sandblasting and painting the truss bridge on TR 28. This will be the last bridge on the list to complete this year. We still have some touch up painting to do on Tindall Bridge.
- Mowing continues on the west side of the county.