

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- The bridge on CR 198, over Green Creek, was waterproofed for paving.
- A tile repair was completed on Napoleon Rd.
- One mowing crew continues to cut grass and has now moved over to the east side of the county.
- Ed continues mowing the deeper ditches in the boom mower. He is also on the east side of the county.
- Building #9 painting is now finished. The guys also painted the front of building #3. They look really good.
- Brush was cut on the Fred Paul Ditch for Ditch Maintenance.
- The Lewis Ditch cleaning continues. It is now starting to look like a ditch again. A 15" pipe was installed, replacing an 8" pipe last week. Today, the guys are resetting a 12" driveway tile to the correct elevation.
- A catch basin was installed on CR 41, west of SR 590, last week. While digging for the catch basin, we found that the rest of the tile was in poor shape and broken down. Pipe has been ordered and as soon as it comes in, we will be back to finish this project.
- Tim has been leveling dirt spoils on Sugar Creek for Ditch Maintenance.
- In between these other jobs, the excavator has been on CR 181 removing the brush and silt around the Green Creek bridge. This project has created a beneficial amount of good dirt for us. It is being hauled to our yard for stock.
- Areas on Tucker Rd., Buckland, Napoleon, TR 108, and CR 32 were seeded and mulched.

FROM THE DESIGN ENGINEER

Recently, we received an e-mail from our Human Resources Office that talked about "National Preparedness Month". One of the informational articles included many useful tips and is titled "Practice and Build Out Your Plans". There is a copy of this included with the Road Report. In addition to this article, I wanted to add some additional information and tips that my family has benefitted from and found very useful, especially during my Iraq deployment and especially since my wife, Jennifer's, passing.

Know where your important information is located

Before my deployment, meetings and workshops were held for service members and their families. During one of the workshops, binders with plastic sleeves were created to hold important documents and information. Sections in the binder included

- Medical and life insurance information
- Individual shot records
- Social security cards and information
- Copy of wills, powers of attorney, living wills, etc...
- Any additional, as needed

I use this binder regularly. (In the last 2 months; shot record and social security card for my college freshman and shot record for my high school senior)

Financial\Budgeting information

I did not handle the budgeting and payment duties in my house while I was married. Jen did all of that. When she got sick, we sat down and went over all of the financial stuff together, to include

- Banking and account information and locations
- Budget information to include payment due dates, how the bill arrives (mailed or emailed) and how the bill is typically paid (Cash\check, online, mailed, automatic withdrawal, etc...)

User names and passwords

One of the biggest things to have available are copies of user names and passwords, and I am not talking just about for banking and billing stuff, I mean for everything. Jen and I sat down and came up with a list of these for everything, including

- banking and investments
- utility companies
- credit card companies
- email accounts
- entertainment and shopping sites such as Amazon, Netflix, YouTube, I-Tunes, etc....
- passcodes for phones, computers and other password protected devices
- anything else you can imagine

This list gets updated and added to regularly.

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

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

2017 \$3,282,499
2016 \$3,261,811

Budget

Jim and I are working on the 2018 budget. If you know of something that needs replaced, or repaired...let Chad know. If you are considering Retirement or Health Insurance Policy changes in 2018, please let me know by October 20th.

Community Christmas

As you know, Community Christmas helps to connect organizations and individuals who wish to help others in need during the holiday season with families struggling to put food on their tables and provide gifts for their children. If you are interested in donating for this year, please let me know by October 12th.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Rich Randolph September 30th
Mark Auxter October 4th



NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH SEPTEMBER 2017

Week 3: September 17-23

Practice and Build Out Your Plans

Americans at all income levels have experienced the challenges of rebuilding their lives after a disaster or other emergency. In these stressful circumstances, having access to personal financial, insurance, medical, and other records is crucial for starting the process of recovery quickly and efficiently. Taking the time now to collect and secure these critical records will give you peace of mind and, in the event of an emergency, will ensure that you have the documentation needed to start the recovery process without delay.

Financial Preparedness:

Gather financial and critical personal, household, and medical information. Consider saving money in an emergency savings account that could be used in any crisis. Keep a small amount of cash at home in a safe

place. It is important to have small bills on hand because ATM's and credit cards may not work during a disaster when you need to purchase necessary supplies, fuel or food.

Obtain property (homeowners or renters), health, and life insurance if you do not have them. Review existing policies for the amount and extent of coverage to ensure that what you have in place is what is required for you and your family for all possible hazards. Homeowners insurance does not typically cover flooding, so you may need to purchase flood insurance from the [National Flood Insurance Program](#).

Household Identification

Photo ID to prove identity of household members
Birth certificate to maintain or re-establish contact with family members
Social security card to apply for FEMA disaster assistance
Military service
Pet ID tags

Financial and Legal Documentation

Housing Payments to identify financial records and obligations
Insurance policies to re-establish financial accounts
Sources of income to maintain payments and credit
Tax statements to provide contact information for financial and legal providers & apply for FEMA disaster assistance

Medical Information

Physician information to provide doctors with health information if medical care is needed
Copies of health insurance information to ensure existing care continues uninterrupted
Immunization records
Medications

Household Contact information

Banking intuitions
Insurance agent
Health professionals
Service providers
Place of worship

Get your benefits electronically

A disaster can disrupt mail service for days or weeks. If you depend on Social Security or other regular benefits, switching to electronic payments is a simple, significant way to protect yourself financially before disaster strikes. It also eliminates the risk of stolen checks.