

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

Welcome to our two new employees—Matt Zilles and Shawn Jarrett. Matt formerly worked for North Coast Paving and, Shawn operated his own tree trimming business. Both came highly recommended and I am sure they will do a fine job. They both started on June 13th. Welcome aboard Shawn and Matt!!

I have been busy inspecting bridges and reviewing proposed ditch maintenance collections for next year. Once I have looked at all potential bridge replacements, I will be able to prioritize them and then finalize the 5-year bridge plan. I have the roads done but must overlay the bridge replacements to make sure they are compatible. The ditch maintenance collections will eventually be approved by the Commissioners and then sent on to the County Auditor and they will be placed on next year's first half real estate tax collections.

Now that all the bids are in and we know actual costs, we are now in a position to see what other roads we may pave yet this year. 107 and 117 are top on the list. We have a OPWC grant for these roads and it also appears we can get guardrail installed on 117 before paving. In my opinion this should be done before the road is paved. An application for CR's 2, 82 and 169 is just below the cutoff line and stands a good chance of receiving funding. If so, we'll proceed with them. Next on the list would be CR's 85 and 151 depending on \$\$\$\$\$. This has been a very difficult year to make definitive plans. I for one we be glad when we can get back to more of a routine and know in advance what we are doing.

It looks like selling equipment on GovDeals will be a good deal for us. I believe we received more for the three trucks we have already sold than we would have otherwise. It's interesting to see where they end up. 972 is going to near Kansas City, Missouri (once they get it running again—it's at Nollenberger's for repairs), 803 went to Kalamazoo, MI and 848 to east of Cleveland.

FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, June 19th is Father's Day; don't forget to celebrate your dad.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY (YEARS OF COUNTY EMPLOYMENT)

Jan Dorr June 24th 36 yrs

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Income Comparison

(License, Permissive, Gas Tax)

January – May

2011 - \$1,792,317

2010 - \$1,815,306

Paychecks

In your paycheck envelope is information from Caremark about changes to the primary/preferred drug list.

OPERS

Attached to the Road Report is a letter I received from OPERS requesting everyone to contact each member of the conference committee, House and Senate Leadership, and the Governor's office, because there is still a concern that a pension contribution rate shift could be inserted and become part of the final budget bill. The House and Senate each removed the administration's proposal to shift 2 percent of contributions from employers to employees from their budget versions, but the conference committee could re-insert it and make it effective on July 1st.

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

I want to welcome the two new employees, Shawn Jarrett and Matt Zilles, who started Monday, June 13th. They have some big shoes to fill trying to replace Dave and Dean.

BRIDGES

SA128-2.80 The beams are done. We are waiting for the phone cable to be moved before starting this bridge.

SA211-0.41 The deck has been removed and the east wall and footer is being hammered out. The beams are cut and welded. Chad is sandblasting and painting these beams. The steel is supposed to be delivered today so they can start building the footer cage.

DRAINAGE

The culverts have been replaced for C.R.11 paving.

We still have a culvert to replace on T.R.5 at C.R.58 which should be replaced Monday.

Catch basins were replaced at 500 W. State for the upcoming paving contract. Also some concrete was removed.

Tiles were repaired on C.R.58 south of T.R.2, and on C.R.198 just north of S.R.6

We dug for a tile on Buckland Ave. across from Buchman.

SIGN SHOP

Perry, Jimmy, and Matt repaired both traffic lights on East State. The one at the shopping center had a broken wire, and the one at Smith had a bad controller. I have to thank the City of Fremont for helping us out.

Perry and Rich have been trying to figure out the sign grant which will help us change our signs to the HI Intensity Prismatic Material which will meet the upcoming new regulations. I know it's been a hassle, but it will be worth it.

SHOP

Jeff is breaking Andy in on mower service.

Jeff & Andy are busy servicing equipment and repairing breakdowns, such as broken leaf springs on the Mack.

MOWING

The east side of the county should be wrapped up today and we are starting the second round on the west side.

The normal spots around town were mowed this week.

FROM THE CIVIL ENGINEER MATT REINHART

Items sold on www.govdeals.com

Scotchlite Heat Lamp Applicator: Selling price of \$20.00; Govdeals fee \$5.00; Net gain \$15.00

Dump Body: Selling price of \$500.00; Govdeals fee \$37.50; Net gain \$432.50

Re-Bar Bender/Cutter: Selling price of \$101.00; Govdeals fee \$7.58; Net gain \$93.42

Total Net profit = \$540.92

BID TABULATION

(Bids received May 26th)

County Roads 33 & 58 Resurfacing Project-
M & B Asphalt Co., Inc. in the amount of
\$267,007.75

SAN-CR 11/33/58-0.00 Resurfacing
Project-
M & B Asphalt Co., Inc. in the amount of
\$588,541.23

SAN-CR 312-0.00 Resurfacing Project-
Gerken Paving, Inc. in the amount of
\$492,970.24

Replacement of Various Culverts –
B. Hill'z Excavating, Inc. in the amount of
\$532,269.00

Truck Equipment Packages-
Newell Equipment, Inc. in the amount of
\$83,504.00

The Resurfacing of the Hazmat & 500 West
State Street Parking Lots-
M & B Asphalt Co., Inc. in the amount of
\$74,494.12

THINGS OF INTEREST

Farmer's Market Begins

When: Saturday, June 18th

Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Where: Downtown Fremont, Front Street

Inspirations

...will appear in gospel concert

When: Saturday, June 18th

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: Clyde High School

Tickets: 419-547-0588

Heart's Desire Benefit

(to grant end of life wishes to Hospice of
Memorial Hospital Patients)

When: Saturday, June 25th

Time: 4:00 pm – Midnight

Where: American Legion, Fremont

Cost: \$5.00 donation for a dinner of your
choice

Live bands all evening