

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

A considerable amount of my time, lately, has been spent on preparing for the two pipelines proposed for Sandusky County. Each project has its own name. One is “Nexus” and the other is “Utopia”. They both will be crossing numerous county roads and there is potential for damage. We are trying to make sure that any damage will be repaired at the expense of the pipeline companies and we are making progress. I organized a meeting with the thirteen other counties that the “Utopia” line passes through. I am also involved with the Townships in Sandusky County who have organized a select committee to deal with this issue. I think we have now gathered enough information to write our own “RUMA”—Road Use Maintenance Agreement. If we are successful, our roads will be protected and restored by the pipeline companies and we should be able to recover most of our cost through permit fees.

By the end of today, the scratch course of asphalt should be completed on Limerick, Maple, 181 and 185. That leaves the top course which should take 4 or 5 days to complete. So, weather permitting, our paving program should be completed by the end of next week. That will be followed by a joint township project which we will be overseeing to a certain degree.

We have ordered a new boom mower and tractor. We originally planned to replace just the mower, but found out to keep the same reach (we now have 28’), we have to get a larger tractor too. So that’s what we’ve done. Our cost will be \$108,000 plus trade in. The tractor will be a New Holland.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Employee: Nick Collins

Title: Maintenance Worker I

Date Hired: July 18, 2016

Girlfriend: Ashleigh Waggoner

Children: Ainslee Waggoner, 8 years old and Brantley Collins, 20 months old.

Pets: A dog named Corona and 2 cats named Nora and Princess Pretty Kitty.

Favorite Song: “Tip it on Back”,
By Dierks Bentley.

Hobbies: Hunting, fishing and racing.

Claim to fame: Head Flagman at Fremont Speedway.

Pet Peeve: Hat must match outfit.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Kris Foreman	August 12 th
Kim Foreman	August 18 th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY (Years of County Employment)

Kory Keegan	August 11 th	2 years
Rick Villarreal	August 12 th	20 years

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

INCOME COMPARISON (License, Permissive, Gas Tax)

January – June

2016 \$2,171,300

2015 \$2,164,150

Sales Tax Holiday

S. B. 264 enacted a sales tax holiday to occur only in 2016. The holiday starts on Friday, August 5, 2016 at 12:00 a.m. and ends on Sunday, August 7, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. During the holiday, the following items are exempt from sales and use tax:

- Clothing priced at \$75 per item **or less**;
- School supplies priced at \$20 per item **or less**; and
- School instructional material priced at \$20 per item **or less**.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact us at 1-800-304-3211

Jefferson Health Plan

Wellness Program Incentive Guide, attached is information for the 2016-2017 Program Overview on the website www.theffersonhealthplan.org. Also, the availability of Garmin Fit Devices for participating employees to purchase at discounted prices.

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

The excavator crew has been knocking out some projects. Two culverts were extended and some minor channel work was done on TR 220. From there, they removed a double run of 42" pipe and replaced it with a run of elliptical pipe on TR 219. Now the machine has moved to TR 93 in Woodville Township. We will be adding 12 pieces of 60" RCP to a culvert here. Also, the ditch will be getting relocated back away from the road.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- All of our truss bridges were power washed.
- Mowing road sides continues. Crews are back on the east side of the county.
- Dirt berm was added along a section of Finefrock Rd. Some minor dirt work still has to be done on CR 185. Also, some good dirt was taken out to the CR 32 Bridge to dress up the yards.
- Asphalt was repaired on CR 119.
- Drives and mailboxes were shaved down on Limerick, CR 181, and CR 185 for paving.
- Spots around town were mowed.