

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE DEPUTY ENGINEER

The biggest news over the past two weeks was the approval of the Miller Tile Petition Project No. 141.

The Commissioners approved the project to proceed to the construction phase. The final hearing of this petition was held here at our ready room on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Our office surveyed and prepared the plans for this project. We tried something new with this petition project and with the Commissioners consent we decided to go out to bids prior to the Final Hearing. That decision paid off since the bids came in about 25% lower than the estimate. We are now evaluating the bids and waiting for the mandatory 21 day appeal period to pass before we can proceed to award the contract.

The Miller Tile project is located in Green Creek Twp. and it will be a combination of a 30" Pipe and an open ditch. The project runs behind the houses on C.R. 175 between T.R. 183 and T.R. 195 for approximately 2,600 Ft. When the project is completed it will alleviate flooding on T.R. 183 and on the field south of T.R. 183. This project was made possible when we lowered the 60" RCP under T.R. 195 and picked up the necessary fall.

Just to give you some of the highlights on the GovDeals auction. The Auction ended on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. We sold 51 items that sold anywhere from \$6.00 to \$12,600.00 each. After fees we will receive over \$45,000.00 from the auction. The bigger ticket items that were sold will be heading all over the country. The grader sold for \$3,000.00 and is heading to Benton, TN. One of the dump trucks sold for \$12,000 and went to Damascus, MD and the other dump truck sold for \$12,600 and is heading to Cincinnati, OH. The Mack sold for \$7,005 and is heading to Winfield, WV.

We had our first snow event of the season last week. According to different sources we had accumulations between 2" - 4" total between this past Sunday and Thursday. Let's all hope that this winter won't be anything like the past two. Just as I'm writing this it's snowing!!!. At least it doesn't look like we will get anything near compared to what the East coast is expected to get this weekend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Matt Zilles	January 23 rd
Eric Wheatley	January 30 th
Jenna Sommers	February 4 th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY (Years of County Employment)

Mark Auxter	January 22 nd	37 years
Chad Fisher	January 25 th	17 years
Chad Bender	February 2 nd	7 years
Andy Brough	February 2 nd	7 years

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

INCOME COMPARISON
(License, Permissive, Gas Tax)
January – December

2015 \$4,316,108
2014 \$4,278,647

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

I guess the big news last week was we spent most of the day on snow and ice control. Mother Nature gave us a couple of inches with some wind and cold temperatures. Then on and off snow showers throughout the week making roads pretty slick. Operations went pretty well with very few break downs.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- The Brush crew is out on the east side of the County, trimming trees away from the roads, around power poles, bridges and guardrails.
- Trucks were dumped and washed; some are starting to get waxed.
- Vehicles are also being washed and waxed.
- Pot holes were filled where needed.
- Mark has been back to work cleaning the ditch on C.R. 41.
- Berm was repaired at C.R. 181 & C.R. 185.
- Guardrail on C.R. 92 was repaired.
- Crossovers were ground down on Napoleon Rd. and on C.R. 290.