

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE DEPUTY ENGINEER

The biggest event of the last two weeks was the addition of a new Clerical Specialist –Tara Shanahan. Welcome Tara!!! Tara started two weeks ago and came to us from Probate and Juvenile Court. Tara is a resident of Fremont and a graduate of Fremont Ross. She is already adjusting very well and learning the new position. Again, Welcome Tara and good luck to you in your new position.

The County Commissioners held the final hearing for the Schwochow Ditch project on August 1, 2017 in our Ready Room. We presented our plans, report, estimate and pictures to them. They decided to continue with the construction of the project. There will be a 21 day waiting period to see if there are any appeals. This project had been bid last month with the contract contingent upon the outcome of the final hearing. Great Lakes Demolition Co. was the low bidder on the project. If no appeals are filed, then we will award the contract and proceed with construction.

Next week we will be starting the Port Clinton Road ditch enclosure project. The existing ditch near Muskellunge Creek will be enclosed with a 24” Concrete Pipe. The crossover under Port Clinton Road will also be replaced. This will be a big improvement since there is no real outlet for the drainage in this area. Port Clinton Road will need to be closed for the duration of the project.

Contractor Great Lakes Demolition Co. will resume work on the CR 175 & SR 101 Intersection project. A 3” Gas Line was in conflict with our proposed culvert. Columbia Gas has relocated their line and we are in the clear to install our box culvert. The boxes are scheduled to be set on the 9th and the 10th of August. Contractor estimates another couple of weeks after the boxes are set to complete the rest of the improvements.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

(Years of Employment)

Kory Keegan August 11th 3 years
Rick Villarreal August 12th 21 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Kris Foreman August 12th

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

Tim and Jimmy spent a few days leveling grindings around the Fairground’s parking lot drives and campground area. ODOT delivered over 1000 tons of asphalt grindings to the Fairgrounds for this project. Grindings were also leveled behind the Grandstand for a parking area. Next week, we will be giving the city a hand cleaning up the brush below the hill of the Fairgrounds.

Kory, Matt and Austin have been working on sandblasting and painting bridges. Two bridges on CR 268 and one on Baker Rd. have now been completed. The guys are now working on the TR 80 bridge. Once this is complete they will be heading to Woodville Twp. on TR 28 and that will complete this year’s Sandblasting Projects.

The excavator crew has finished up two more silt removals under and around bridges (BA 148-2.16 and BA 193-0.90). Now the excavator is spotted on Port Clinton Rd. to start a ditch enclosure and culvert replacement Monday morning.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Mowing continues on the east side of the county. The crew will be heading back west next week.
- Areas around town were mowed.
- A culvert was replaced on Brush St.
- A ditch on CR 41 east of CR 12 was cleaned.
- The Ready Room was cleaned and set up for the Schwochow Ditch Hearing.
- A tile was repaired on Brush St.
- Perry has been learning and working with his new sign program.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

EMPLOYEE: Lee Klohn

TITLE: Ditch Maintenance Coordinator

DATE HIRED: January 1, 2017

SPOUSE: Michele

CHILDREN: Aaron & Alicia

PETS: Dog – Rudy

FAVORITE SONG: Even the Losers
(by Tom Petty)

HOBBIES: Restoring old Tractors

PET PEEVE: People who drive in the passing lane that are going slower than everyone else.