ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

After seventeen years with us, Kim Foreman's last day was February 24th. Kim plans on spending more time with her grandchildren. Personally, I am surprised she would rather be with her grandchildren than us. Nonetheless, we wish Kim well and thank her for her years of dedicated service to Sandusky County. She will be missed.

Thank you to all employees for the beautiful planter and card you sent for the recent loss of my father. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Employee: Jim Seibert

Title: Mechanic

Date Hired: December 12, 2016

Spouse: Jackie

Children: Caleb and Noah

Favorite Song: "Family Man" by Craig

Campbell

(I actually have many favorite songs)

Hobbies: Camping, Fire Department

Claims to fame: Professional Firefighter (trained 240 hours) and Emergency Medical

Responder

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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Jenna Sommers	February 4 th
Perry Hill	February 8 th
Travis Arter	February 12 th
Elizabeth Royster	February 12 th
Cody Amor	February 22 nd

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

It has been a while since our last road report. It's also been a while since we have been out on snow and ice control; February 9th, to be exact. What an odd winter. We have seen record temperatures in February; one day reaching 75 degrees but the next day back in the 30's. Now it's March and the days are getting longer and spring is just around the corner.

With the warmer temperatures and not much snow plowing lately, we have been getting quite a bit of work accomplished. About 3000 feet of ditch was cleaned along CR 141, plus the spoils leveled. Now Eric is over on CR 39 cleaning one of two ditches on this road. The excavator cleared and grubbed out the brush around the box culvert on TR 278, plus cleaned out the box and reshaped the channel banks. The excavator then moved over to CR 175, southwest of SR 101. With the help of the brush crew, they cleared and grubbed out the brush and trees around the bridge for some future road improvements. Now the excavator is back in the yard for some service work and stacking salt in the shed.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Guardrail was repaired on CR 1
- Berm reclaiming continues on the west side of the county
- Brush crew is working on the west side of the county
- Pot holes filled as needed
- Salt was delivered this week
- Night shift has stayed busy with repairs, cleaning and waxing trucks, yearly night inspections of signs, and cleaning and scrubbing floors

FROM DITCH MAINTENANCE

It has been 2 months since the Engineer's office took over the Ditch Maintenance department. Although there are a lot of things we still need to iron out.....the maintenance on the ditches is full steam ahead!

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Don Hovis finished up dipping the entire length of Bartson Group 718 which started at the Sandusky/Seneca county line just west of Tiffin Road and heads about 7700 feet north where it dumps into Indian Creek 681. Don also finished up dipping Indian Creek 681, starting on CR 113 just west of TR 168, and finishing up at Tiffin Road, just North of CR 181. He dipped out approximately 8,500 feet of the 15,000 foot project. Next week, we hope to have Don Hovis move back to Ballville Township onto the Neason Ditch 711. We plan on having him dip Neason Ditch from Morrison Road to where it starts, along the west side of Tiffin Road.

Ron Hovis finished up grinding brush in the heavily wooded areas of Nine Mile Creek 677 and then started dipping out the section of Nine Mile between TR 74 and SR 600, including the Nieset branch of the creek.

Unilliance is dipping out Indian Creek 925, starting at Nine Mile Creek just north of Bloom Road in Ottawa County. They should jump across CR 106/Slemmer Road in Ottawa County by the end of the day. Unilliance also has their smaller machine working on lateral #1 of Indian Creek 925, starting just East of CR 106/Slemmer Road in Ottawa County. That machine should also jump across 106/Slemmer road and keep heading towards SR 590.

Next week we also plan on moving Terry McConnell onto the I. Waggoner Ditch 902 so he can dip the ditch out from CR 109 to the Bike Trail.