

# ROAD REPORT

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## FROM THE ENGINEER

It's only mid July and we are zeroing in on the major items on our "General Plan for 2012"!

All roads have been paved except CR 82 and that is starting today and should be completed next week. Of course the CR 82 Bridge had to be completed before this and it is being waterproofed this morning and should be paved by the end of the day with the base courses. The major jobs left will be the boxes on 177 and 265 and replacing a bridge on TR 10 with RCP. These jobs will be relatively easy for our seasoned crew. The box on TR 42 will be challenging due to the length and proximity of the RR. We have also added some abutment work to Tindall Bridge which is a little different than our normal work, but there is no doubt in my mind that we can handle it!

In the design section, the really big projects are nearly complete. Tindall Bridge painting is done and under contract as well as hiring a consultant to inspect the work which is a requirement of the federal grant we received for this job. Plans for the State Street Bridge are in progress and need to be completed by the end of the month for the bid date which has been set for August 16<sup>th</sup>.

Paving plans for townships have been completed as they come in and roads are being measured for the next round of OPWC funding.

Once all of this is completed 100%, we will be able to move onto projects that have been on hold such as township requests and petition ditches. It's been a lot of work, but we're almost there! Thanks to everyone who has worked hard to make this possible. I think it's great to be in this position especially when we are approaching the time of year when raises are being considered. It also helps when we receive compliments about such things as mowing and our bridge crew. Keep up the good work!!!!

I have met again with the SWCD Board about ditch maintenance and they are adamant about keeping it. I have given them some new ideas to think about, so we'll see what they have to say about that.

I attended the first meeting of Sandusky County's first TID (Transportation Improvement District) on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Three other members were present- County Commissioner Dan Polter, Terra President Jerry Webster and Terra Treasurer Randy McCullough. All agree Terra will be taking the lead on this and doing the bulk of the work since its purpose is to secure funding to establish a Terra entrance onto to SR 53. They are going prepare a draft of a proposal to ODOT to be considered at the next meeting on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

I will be off the next two weeks, so, as usual, enjoy my vacation!!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tony Hartshorn July 13<sup>th</sup>

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

(Years of County Employment)

Rich Randolph July 16<sup>th</sup> 22 years  
Dean Silva July 23<sup>rd</sup> 33 years

## FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

### Income Comparison

(License, Permissive, Gas Tax)

January – June

2012 - \$2,124,291

2011 - \$2,144,382

## FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

First off I would like to thank everyone for their hard work these past few weeks, especially during those very hot days. Keep up the good work.

### WA.82-0.59 Bridge

This bridge has come a long way in the past few weeks. The beams were set early last week and grouted the following day. The crew has been working on clean up, hauling spoils out, and hauling rip rap in to line the channel. A new concrete drainage tile was installed on the northwest corner. A small drainage tile was repaired on the southeast corner. The past couple of days the guys have been preparing the approaches for asphalt.

With that complete and water proofing today, it should be ready for the contractor to come in and pave this afternoon. Next week, all that will be left is some clean up, finishing the guardrail, and seed and straw. A job well done by ALL!!!

#### **ROAD MAINTENANCE**

- Spots were mowed around town.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> round of mowing was completed.
- Road cut on CR 82 for paving.
- Tile repaired on CR 106.
- Culvert was replaced on CR 39.
- Mowers are getting a bath.
- Dug for tiles at CR 90 and TR 55
- Offices were cleaned.

#### **IN THE SHOP**

Andy has been busy these past few weeks with Jeff being off. He was keeping up with mower services. 051 broke down out on the road and it was sent Nollenberger's. He is working on services for the Sanitary Department, plus he has the arrow boards running good for next weeks project on East State St.. Now that all the mowers are in, it is time for services and repairs on them.

#### **SIGN SHOP**

Perry has been busy putting up barricades and taking down barricades on different jobs. He has also been making and putting up green signs. Today he has a big project in taking down all the signage and barricades involved in the CR 260 overpass over the Turnpike. I guess the contractors want to put up there own signage and barricades for the job.

## **Susan G Komen Race – Fundraiser for Breast Cancer Research**

The first training session for the Paramedics in Pink is scheduled!!!! Anyone interested in joining our fabulous Paramedics in their couch to 5k training is invited to the Fremont Rec center on Monday 7/16/12 at 7:00pm to begin the journey. Bring your water bottle and a walking buddy and let the fun begin.

Everyone is invited to participate in the walk or you can run as well. If nothing else contact Jess Berlekamp-Crowel (419-552-0406) or Colleen Schlea (419-307-2321) and order your t-shirt. Proceeds from the sale of the t-shirts will go to The Northwest Ohio Race for the Cure. Wear your shirt on Fridays through the day of the run to show our support!!

See the attached order form for your t-shirt!!!!