

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

The "General Plan for 2012" was completed today so everyone should have a copy or will be receiving one soon. Quite a few of the things it contains have been completed or at least started—the paving, beams and boxes have been bid, the new bucket truck is here as well as the wide format copier and surveying equipment. Needless to say, a lot of work remains so it will be another busy year.

Later this winter we will hopefully be bidding at least five more projects:

- Tindall Bridge Repairs
- Tindall Bridge Painting
- State Street Bridge Repairs
- Guniting work
- Paint striping
- Raised pavement markers

And as of today, it looks like we might be back in the snowplowing business!!

We have a new temporary employee starting Tuesday. He will be here for just 100 hours. Please make him feel welcome. I haven't met him yet, but there shouldn't be any problem picking him out since he's 6'6" tall. Too bad we don't have a basketball team.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tony Miller January 14th
Matt Zilles January 23rd

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

(Years of County Employment)

Jeff Dymond	January 20 th	25 years
Mark Auxter	January 22 nd	33 years
Chad Fisher	January 25 th	13 years

FROM THE DEPUTY ENGINEER

The last two weeks we were blessed with some great weather for early January. We took advantage of that and were able to work on our bridge inspections and survey work. Currently we only have Scott Township left for bridge inspections, which we should be able to finish next week. We are also waiting on Richland Engineering to provide us with their findings on bridge load rating analysis and inspection reports on some of our river bridges and others. We also supported our highway department with elevation shots and profiles while performing ditch cleanings on CR 12 and CR 65. The Stahl Road storm sewer plans are finally done and signed by the Ballville Township Trustees, we will be going out to bids in the near future. Lake Erie Construction will be coming in next week to finish up the guardrail work on CR 117. Also, B. Hill's excavating is finishing up the ditch work on TR 26 for the culvert contract, which should wrap up their work other than cleanup and seeding.

I hope that everyone had a Happy New Year!!!

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

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

2011 \$4,247,292
2010 \$4,311,907

Health Insurance

Due to the incorrect RXGRP#, BORMA will be mailing new insurance cards to our office. Those who need additional cards will need to make the request after cards arrive.

Paycheck

Reminder—on your next paycheck dated January 27th, an additional 4% will be taken out for OPERS.

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

SINGLE AXEL DUMP TRUCKS

Finally, 3 months, 1 week and 2 days after completion date, our single axel dump trucks finally arrived January 10th 2012. It was a good thing that mother nature took it easy on so far with the snow. Now with the single axels here it leaves us with a couple of spare trucks.

CR 117 ROAD MAINTENANCE

The shoulders on CR 117 north and south have been built up and prepped for the contractors to finish installing the rest of the guardrail. Also, a few trees were removed in that area for the guardrail.

TINDALL BRIDGE

Eric and Shawn have been working on welding down the grating on Tindall Bridge. If we can get a couple of more nice days the guys will be able to finish up this project.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Salt was mixed with # 9's to replenish our stock.
- Trucks were washed and fueled after our snow removal on New Year's day.
- Ed has been keeping the pot holes filled.
- Culvert WO 117- 2.04 was repaired.
- Ed is out in the boom mower cutting back banks.
- Log jams under Cherry St. Bridge were removed.
- Tile at River Cliff Golf Course was exposed at river for surveyors to get elevations.
- Buildings #2 and #11 were cleaned.
- Ditches on CR 12 and CR 65 are being cleaned.
- The new bucket truck is being equipped for service.
- Night shift is busy washing and waxing vehicles.