

ROAD REPORT

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All,

We have been asked to turn off all computers, printers and copiers this Friday before we leave for the day.

There will be testing of several large circuits and there is a possibility of damage if left on so please let us know if assistance is required.

Thanks

I.T. and Data Processing

FROM THE ENGINEER

Since we closed C.R. 260 at the Turnpike on May 5th, both ODOT and CoRSA have been out to look at it. CoRSA is the county's insurance carrier and said they were glad it was closed. There is a section of law (ORC 5543.08) that allows the county engineer to request advice and assistance. I thought their opinion would validate the decision to close the road and dispel the idea anyone might have that the road was closed for any purpose other than safety. They are to send a letter with their advice.

The soil investigation on T.R. 226 started on Monday, (May 17th) and was completed on Thursday. They made at least six borings and four open cuts. After they analyze the samples, they are to send back a recommendation for repairs by July 1st. Their work will cost the turnpike about \$70,000.

We have hired Digital Dreams from Clyde to prepare a video to show the problem we have with these grade separations. Pictures don't seem to do justice to the real situation. Hopefully a video will. It will be posted on our web site and distributed to interested parties including candidates in this fall's elections. Speaking of candidates, the Commissioners and I talked by phone with the Governor's representative on May 11th pleading for more help. He said he would get back to us by the end of the week which he didn't do. I called him yesterday, but he has yet to return my call.

A pre-construction meeting was held on Monday (May 17th) regarding the HVAC work in the office. All the equipment has been ordered and they expect to start in mid June, so we can expect a heat wave at that time. They thought everything would be completed in a week.

I want to pass on the compliments we received about the tree trimming that has been done this spring and about the ditch work done on C.R. 41. Thanks to all who were involved with these projects. It's not often people take the time to recognize our work. Again, thanks to everyone.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dean Silva May 22nd

ANNIVERSARY (YEARS OF COUNTY EMPLOYMENT)

Jimmy Sanford May 22nd 15 years

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Income

Income is looking up
(January – April)
2010 \$1,441,647
2009 \$1,421,647

Deferred Compensation Plan

On Wednesday, May 26th Sue Steinert will be here. If you would like to schedule an appointment, there is a sign-up sheet in the ready room.

OPERS

My Benefits System (MBS) offers instant access to your personal account, instant retirement and health care coverage estimates, instant online publications and the opportunity to update your address and beneficiary information.....

MBS Registration:

1. Log on to www.opers.org
2. Click on the MBS "Register" button in the top, right corner of the home page. You will need your social security number and an active e-mail account, MBS will guide you through the registration process.

A pin number will be sent immediately to your email address. Once you have pin number you will then be able to access account.

Silent Auction

We have accumulated quite a collection of obsolete items that are being offered to employees through a silent auction.

Chairs/lockers/wood and metal desks/metal rolling file cabinet/coffeepot/microwave/chainsaw hardhats/parts washer/sink w/countertop/refrigerator/drinking fountain/clock/steel benches/brown folding tables/hanging fluorescent lights/dorm refrigerator/blinds

Bidding begins on Monday, May 24th and ends Thursday, June 3rd.

THINGS OF INTEREST

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 6th

Fremont Fair Grounds

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

\$6.00 Adults \$4.00 under age 12

MONSTER BBQ PIT FUNDRAISER

American Cancer Society

Saturday, June 26th

For more information visit their website

www.monsterbbqpit.com

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

CHRISTY ROAD

I thought all the culverts that needed replaced were done, but we found a 24" concrete, by the bypass, that had a joint separation. Some of the other joints didn't look the best so Tim Below crawled thru it and it needs replaced.

The insides of the curves between the tracks and W. State St. are being widened and the mailboxes are being moved back.

C.R.232

There is one culvert left to replace and mailboxes are being moved back.

MOWING

The first round has been completed on the West side and they have started the East side. The way it is growing they will have to start the second round West when they finish the East.

YARD

- ❖ Guardrail was installed on the West side of bldg. #11.
- ❖ Counters and cabinets were installed in Mechanic's office.
- ❖ Hydraulic hose rack was built.
- ❖ A rack for flat steel is being built.
- ❖ Bridge repairs have been started, it will continue when the weather improves and I have the personal.
- ❖ Trees were cut down on C.R.65 at C.R.128.
- ❖ Spots were bermed that washed out from the rain.
- ❖ Signs and trucks were repaired as needed.
- ❖ Judco picked up Vehicle # 101 and 102 to have them equipped.