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From the Desk of the Administrator

Happy December everyone!! Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving, for I'm pretty sure that this was a much different Thanksgiving than everyone is accustomed to. It has been a year like no other, or at least of what I can remember of my 59 years.

I would like to take some and give a HUGE THANK YOU!!! to Tom & Judy Regula for the donation of the Village Christmas Tree this year. The tree was subject to the wind storm in November and we appreciate Tom & Judy sharing their tree with the Village for everyone to enjoy.

With 2021 just around the corner, I would like to let everyone know of several projects the Village will be completing or hoping to complete. In saying that I mean we have many projects on the drawing board but some of these projects getting finished will be known later in December. The Village has applied for grant money for these projects and we have received word of the award of \$700,000 in CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) grant funds from the State.

We applied for two more grants, one with OPWC (Ohio Public Works Commission) and one with ODNR (Ohio Department of Natural Resources) to assist in completing these projects, but we will not know until sometime in December if these grant applications will be approved for the Village to use for these projects.

Projects include upgrading the watermain on South Main St from Leo St to the Village Limits South, with a new 12" watermain. This includes adding curb and gutter and the widening of South Main St. Another watermain upgrade is planned for East Pike St. from Parkview Dr to the Village Limits East, with a new 8" watermain. New curb and gutter will be added with sidewalks to the Village Limits also.

We are planning a paving project that includes repaving of Back Forty Drive, Maple St, Oak St, South Fork and North Fork Streets.

Others we are hoping to also start are Phase II of Tiger Trail Park which will include 4 new ball fields, continuation of the current walking track and an additional parking area.

The Village also plans on installing a new detention pond in Tiger Trail Park to help hold back some of the rain flows during big rain events.

The Village is planning to start the process of construction of a new Water Treatment Facility. The current facility was constructed in 1975 and it has served the Village well, but



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is hitting the end of its useful life. There is no room to expand and we changed media a year or so. This process will take three to four years to complete.

A 4320 sq ft addition is planned to be added to the current Service Building located at 108 E College St. This will supply extra room for our Utility Department's vehicles and equipment. The Village purchased the 109 Linden St property and have demolished the old house and garage and have the lot ready for construction.

The Village is planning on construction of a new street between Pike St and Davis St by the Family Life Center to TRG Inc. Now there is no dedicated street. It is now just a drive. So, working with the property owners we are planning storm water work, curb and gutter and sidewalks with new asphalt and additional parking spots. The street will be named Leininger Lane for Merle and Ray Leininger for all their years of serving our Community with Leininger Bros. Lumber Company. Village crews will be doing the construction on this project.

Next month: (2021 Utility Rates)