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From the Desk of the Administrator

Here we are one month into 2021, where does time go?

This month I will be discussing projects we will be working on in 2021. In the Summer of 2020, the Village Council applied for grant monies from Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Neighborhood Revitalization Program and Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) for our 2021/2022 project years.

The Village has been informed we will receive a \$700,000 grant from CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Program and a \$500,000 grant from OPWC to go toward our projects. We have not heard a reply on our request from the ODNR grant.

With receiving these grant funds, we are looking at several projects which include new watermain from Parkview St. to the Village Corp. to the East. This will be installation on a new 8" watermain to replace the old 6" main. New curb and gutter and sidewalks will be added on the South side of Pike Street and the street pavement widened.

Also planned is new watermain installation on South Main St. New 12" watermain will be installed from Leo St. to the South Corp limit. This will replace an old 6" main. New curb and gutter and sidewalks will also be added and the pavement widened.

Paving will take place on several streets. North Fork, South Fork, Maple, Oak and Back Forty Drive will be paved.

We will also be starting on the second phase of Tiger Trail Park. This will include 4 softball/baseball fields, additional parking area, extension of the walking track and storm water upgrades. How much we will be able to do at the park will be based on grant monies from ODNR and we have not heard from them at this time.

The timing for these projects will be later in the year. Funds will not be available until July 2021 and we will then need to go to bid on the project. So, completion will probably be in 2022.

Another project the Village is looking at for 2021 is putting a street in between Davis Street and Pike Street by the Family Life Center. This will include storm water upgrades, curb, gutters and sidewalks and additional parking spaces. Currently this is considered just a driveway, so the village is working with the owners to obtain the Right of Way for construction of the new Street which will be named Leininger Lane. Very fitting for Ray and Merle Leininger who operated Leininger Bros. Lumber for many years at this location.

The Village will also be advertising for Engineering for the construction of a new Water Treatment Facility. This will be a three- or four-year project from start to completion.

The Village will be looking at an addition onto the existing Village Utilities Garage. Plans are being worked on and we are hoping for an early summer start on the 4320 sq ft addition.

(Next month: 2021 Swimming Pool Season)



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