The Orange Brigade

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Logan County Highway Department

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The County Engineer's Office has had another busy year. This year we resurfaced 41 miles of county highways, sealed 76 miles of county highways, replaced 8 bridges, one large box culvert, and more than 100 culverts. We have also assisted the Township Trustees with the resurfacing of 19.9 miles and chip-sealing of 20.76 miles of roads with a combination of sales tax and the Townships' own funds.

We have spent \$324,038.06 on snow and ice control during this winter season. This includes 1,772.25 hours of overtime and 5,294.85 tons of grit. The most notable storm event this winter has been the January ice storm. This storm left many homes and businesses without electricity for up to a week or more. Our facilities were operated on backup generators for five days. Fortunately, the community came together to provide shelters and the power companies worked long hours to restore service. The debris that was left behind by the storm has been a tremendous impediment for all of the communities and local government agencies to contend with. To date, we have spent more than \$88,513 and 2,605 hours on debris removal. We hope to have most of the debris removed by May so that we can begin our mowing and chip-sealing operations.

The Map Room and the Building Authority have been very busy this year as well. The Logan County Building Authority issued 406 permits this year, of which, 226 were new dwellings. They also performed a total of 3,765 inspections in 2004. New home valuations totaled \$28,221,766.00. The Map Room processed 450 new parcel splits and over 2,700 deeds.

The road and bridges sales tax income for 2004 was \$2,366,634.37. Of those funds, 13.5 percent, or \$319,495.64, will be provided for township roads and bridges in 2005.

For 2005, we have scheduled 45 miles for asphalt resurfacing and are planning an aggressive chipseal program to preserve the roads that have been resurfaced recently. The resurfacing program is estimated to cost \$2,231,770, which includes a grant of \$684,876.20 from the Ohio Public Works Commission (Issue 2 program). We plan to chip-seal 68 miles with county crews at an estimated cost of \$234,329. We will also be repairing a few of the roads that experienced material failure after they were chip-sealed last year.

The bridge crew replaced 9 structures in 2004. They will continue to work diligently to replace the 9 bridges and complete the maintenance work that is scheduled for 2005.

The traffic department will be busy overseeing pavement markings, replacing damaged or vandalized signs, installing road construction signage, repairing barricades and high water signage, and maintaining the sign inventory.

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THE CONDITION OF OUR HIGHWAY SYSTEM

We have been busy this winter trying to keep the highways clear of snow and ice, as well as cleaning debris caused by the ice storm. Our crews will continue to chip the cut limbs that are remaining in the side ditches well into May. The extensive debris removal combined with snow and ice control has slowed our culvert replacements that we do in advance of the resurfacing program.

Generally speaking, our roads have weathered the winter fairly well, but we continue to see the need to seal our new pavements as soon as possible after resurfacing. Several transportation agencies have started sealing new asphalt immediately after the hot mix paver has left the jobsite.

We have planned 45 miles of resurfacing with asphalt concrete and expect to seal about 68 miles. We still have 56 miles of county highways that are rated in poor condition. This is a reduction from 142 miles of poor pavement in 2001.

We are continuing to make strides with our bridge program. With the replacement of 9 bridges and large culverts in 2004, we are continuing to upgrade our overall bridge conditions. This year's bridge replacement schedule will reopen 3 bridges that have been closed for several years and 5 bridges that school buses are currently unable to cross due to weight restrictions.

2004 REVENUES			
Sales Tax (Earmarked for Capital Improvement)	37%	\$2,366,634.37	
Auto Registrations	25%	\$1,580,133.36	
Ohio Gas Tax	30%	\$1,867,715.87	
Other (Fines, Sales, Inspections)	3%	\$ 190,548.36	
General Fund	4%	\$ 260,000.00	
Solid Waste Funds	1%	\$ 50,000.00	
TOTAL		\$ 6,315,031 <i>.</i> 96	

2004 EXPENDITURES				
Road Department (Operation, Materials, Purchased Services)	36%	\$2,308,123.24		
Sales Tax Improvements (Roads, Bridges & Townships)	37%	\$2,343,451.29		
Engineering and Administration	10%	\$ 660,172.19		
Bridge Department (Operation, Materials, Purchased Services)	6%	\$ 376,920.72		
Traffic Department (Operation, Materials, Purchased Services)	4%	\$ 260,410.84		
Map Room (Operation, Materials, Purchased Services, Leases)	2%	\$ 123,916.70		
Bond Retirement (New Garage)	2%	\$ 115,077.38		
Equipment Purchases	2%	\$ 157,182.18		
TOTAL		\$6,345,254.54		

2005 BRIDGE PROGRAM

In the 2001 renewal of the sales tax for roads and bridges, the priority was based on condition. Therefore, the 2005 Bridge Program continues the commitment of prioritizing bridge replacement based on condition. The County infrastructure will be re-evaluated periodically and changes to this program are likely to occur in order to achieve our commitment to repair or replace the structures and highways in the worst condition first.

As of March 24, 2005, the proposed Bridge Program is as follows:

Township Road 56-5.79 Bridge Replacement Township Road 76-1.27 Bridge Replacement Township Road 49-5.64 Bridge Replacement Township Road 33-2.66 Bridge Replacement Township Road 46-4.31 Bridge Replacement County Road 88-1.27 Bridge Replacement Township Road 85-0.26 Bridge Replacement Township Road 35-4.24 Bridge Replacement County Road 124-0.43 Bridge Replacement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

373.26 Miles of County Road Excellent/Good Condition - 274 Miles Fair/Poor Condition - 99 Miles

<u>300 Bridges</u> 48 Have Load Reductions Posted 43 Have a Sufficiency Rating Less Than 50% 6 are Closed

> <u>1,559 Culverts</u> Excellent/Good Condition - 1383 Fair/Poor/Unknown Condition - 176

> > 7,032 Signs

2005 ROAD PROGRAM

We have reviewed each road on the program for needed culvert replacements, bridge replacements and/or repairs, drainage problems, etc. As of March 24, 2005, the proposed resurfacing and chip-seal programs for the County are as follows:

2005 Proposed County Resurfacing Program				
ROAD #	Begins	Ends		
12	TR 115 NORTH	SR 292 END		
20	CH 12	LOGAN-UNION CO LINE		
48	CH 12	LOGAN-UNION CO LINE		
50	CR 12 Lt.	SR 292		
125	SR 47	LOGAN-UNION CO LINE		
3	CH 4 SHELBY CO LINE	END OF LOGAN CO MAINT		
10	SR 292 (resume)	CH 154		
91	CH 54 LEWISTOWN	CH 130 END		
119	SR 292	CH 120		
120	CH 26	CH 48 END		
277	LOGAN-UNION CO LINE	CH 44 SOUTHWEST		
12	CH 50 (resume)	TR 115 NORTH		
15	CH 44	SR 287 & CH 41		
44	CR 15	TR 160		
158	SR 559	SR 287		
4	RR Crossing	Center Miami River		
37	CR 61 Lewistown	CR 39		
39	TR 56 Pvt Change	SR 274		
49	CR 105	CR 39		
64	Campaign Co. Line	CR 63		
222	Huntsville ECL	CR 39		
153	CH 277	UNION CO LINE		
265	SR 274	CR 12		

	2005 Proposed County Chip Seal Program				
Road #	Begins	Ends			
35	SR 235	SR 47			
18	TR 45 WEST	CH 11 END			
9	SR 47	RUSHSYLVANIA SOUTH CORP.			
25	CH 9	SR 47			
31	SR 508	CH 11			
8	SR 540	SR 47 CH 142 WEST MANSFIELD CORP			
26	CH 5	SR 292			
50	CH 5 & TR 110 NORTH	CH 12 NORTH			
118	CH 9	CH 20 NORTH			
20	CH 118 RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP	CH 12			
39	TR 100 W (MCA. & RIC. LINE)	S. CORP LINE BELLE CENTER			
49	CH 57	SR 274			
97	CH 39 NEW RICHLAND	CH 96 WEST			
52	SHELBY COUNTY	CH 54			
53	SR 274	CH 52 END			
87	TR 84 SOUTH	TR 83 SOUTH			
91	SR 235	CH 54 LEWISTOWN			
96	SR 117	CH 97 NEW RICHLAND			
106	BELLE CENTER CORP LINE	LOGAN-HARDIN CO LINE			
111	US 68	CH 112 SOUTH TR 112 NORTH			
113	US 68	WEST CORP RUSHSYLVANIA			
225	SHELBY-LOGAN CO LINE	CH 23			

Employee Birthdays

Work Anniversaries

January Jackie Norviel Harvey Grimes George Coleman

February **Michael Reffitt** Jayma Burkhammer

March John Spencer, IV Michaela Brunke John Berry Samuel Ragland

Aril James Houchin Mark Hilty

April **Bob Simmons** Suzie Yoesting

May James Logan Dianne Gauder Clvde Ball Dan McMillen Shirley Brunke Joel Miracle Scott Coleman June Curt Dill John Cummins **Bob Schrader** Keith Price

Notice to Employees - Direct Deposit Available

If you wish to enroll in the Direct Deposit Program, forms are available from the Personnel Specialist, Dianne Gauder. There are still two enrollment times available during 2005.

> Deadline for Form 05/20/05 08/19/05

Effective Date 07/01/05 10/01/05

Logan County Engineer Scott C. Coleman, P.E., P.S. Please circulate this in your offices. Thank You! 1991 CR 13

Carolyn Grimes

John Spencer, IV - 7 Years

Jackie Norviel - 26 Years Shane Long - 8 Years Keith Price - 8 Years James Logan - 8 Years Kristin Knight - 4 Years

January

Ron Hanson - 16 Years

Greg Dappert - 1 Year

Bob Simmons - 12 Years

February

March Clyde Ball - 33 Years Butch Banning - 23 Years **Dianne Gauder - 2 Years**

April

Bob Smith - 18 Years Shirley Brunke - 23 Years George Coleman - 18 Years Jayma Burkhammer - 6 years

Mav

Curt Dill - 26 Years Dick Cooksey - 16 Years Suzie Yoesting - 11 Years Dennis Stryker - 7 Years

June

James Houchin - 6 Years Larry Strayer - 30 Years Bob Schrader - 30 Years Larry Artis - 18 Years Todd Coleman - 8 Years

Recent Retirements

Ron George - 49 Years Barbara Springer - 16 Years

"Best wishes in your retirement!"





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