

MAYOR'S REPORT
MAY 23, 2012

LAND LEASE TO AQUA

The City has leased a parcel of land to Aqua Ohio Water located at the corner of State & Walton Streets for an annual lease fee of \$6,000. Aqua Ohio Water has recently completed the construction of a totally automated water filling station that will be used to fill trucks with water to be delivered to various fracking sites. An additional \$3.25 per truck will also bring income to the City of Struthers.

The water will flow from Hamilton Lake by way of Aqua's industrial water lines to the Walton site. Hamilton Lake has a safe yield of 5 million gallons of water per day but currently has only 1.6 million gallons of water per day being withdrawn from the lake. There is sufficient excess capacity to sell water from fracking.

OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL MIKE DeWINE'S "MOVING OHIO FORWARD DEMOLITION PROGRAM"

On Tuesday, May 15th Matt Kanai and Jennifer Milden of the Ohio Attorney General's Mortgage Foreclosure Unit hosted a phone conference for Northeast Ohio local and county government representatives interested in the above grant program.

The goal of the "Moving Ohio Forward Demolition Program" is to maximize the number of demolitions of blighted and abandoned residential properties. Recognizing that many local governments are experiencing economic hardships, the program will not require a match for the first \$500,000 allocated to each county. Counties will be required to provide a dollar-for-dollar match to receive any reimbursement request over their \$500,000 allocation. I recently sent letters to Mahoning County Commissioners and Treasurer Dan Yemma requesting a meeting to go over our city's needs and for interest in becoming an applicant for the first \$500,000 funding with no match funds required.

D6PWIC Members

Elections of Officers took place on MAY 6, 2012 AT Eastgate Regional Council of Governments for the D6PWIC 2012-2017 term. I was nominated and elected to be Vice-Chairman of the Small Government Sub-Committee with Fred Bobovynk as the Chairman. D6PWIC Chairman is Rex Fee with Robert Lyden as Vice Chairman.

I also was the Chairman of Eastgate's General Policy Board beginning in 2012. I take great pride in being on this Committee to represent our community and hope to serve all communities to the best of my abilities.

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

The Mahoning County Department of Jobs & Family Services in conjunction with the Mahoning County Commissioners has been awarded a substantial grant to support a Summer Youth Employment Program.

The program is for youths from 14 to 24 years of age. The grant will reimburse the city for the youth hired into this program. The guidelines for this program are very minimal and for more information contact the program facilitator Gwen Graves at 330-740-2600 ext. 8605; this is on a first come first serve basis until the grant funds run out.

STRUTHERS “CLEAN-UP” & “RECYCLE DRIVE” DAY SUCCESSFUL

On Saturday, May 12th and May 19th city officials, residents and students of Struthers cleaned up city grounds, parks and littered streets. Also, flowers were planted throughout the city, in front of entrance signs, at the park, historical society and in front of city hall. This past Saturday recycling drives for tires, appliances and electronics was held with over 170 tires and many appliances and electronics being brought in.

I would like to thank Litter & Recycling Coordinator Shirley Sepesy for her efforts in organizing both events and for the many volunteers that donated their time and hard work to make Struthers a cleaner place to live in.

RUNGE BLVD.

Construction began on Runge Blvd. Monday, May 21st, construction signs were erected and materials are currently being delivered. Saw cutting will begin on May 24th and catch basin and pipe installation will take place on May 30 thru June 8th. They will begin digging out the curb and pouring a concrete base on June 11th thru July 2nd when they will begin backfilling and landscaping. The project should be complete by July 13th weather permitting.

REMINDER – STRUTHERS DAY

The 15th Annual Struthers Day is scheduled for Thursday, June 28, 2012 at Mauthe Park from 5:00pm to 10:00 pm. Struthers Day has proven to be a great success and if you are interested in using this opportunity to expose and promote your Company to thousands of Struthers Residents at no cost, please contact Christine Snarey at 330-755-1100 ext.10 before June 11th. You can also pick up a form in my office.

Struthers Day is hosted by Aqua Ohio Water and the City of Struthers and once again there will be bands, pony rides, free food and much more.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry P. Stocker
Mayor