

**MAYOR'S REPORT
JUNE 22, 2011**

ITEM #1 ON AGENDA; CRACK SEAL

On tonight's agenda the City is advertising for bids for the application of crack seal to various streets. The purpose of crack seal is to attempt to preserve the streets in an effort to keep the roadway in the best possible condition.

ITEM # 2 ON AGENDA; RUNGE BLVD. PROJECT

Also on tonight's agenda we are asking Council's approval to advertise for bids in accordance with the plans and specs for the Runge Blvd. Safety Upgrade Project. The City was awarded \$146,970 through Ohio Public Works Commission towards the above project and the City's share will be \$66,030.

The project allows for sanitary improvements such as catch basins, storm sewers and grading to allow greater flows and prevent flooding. We are optimistic that this project will be completed by fall.

SAXONY PLACE PROPOSAL

Last week Councilman Bob Stouffer held an information meeting with the residents of the 2nd Ward and developers" Buckeye Community Hope Foundation" who are seeking funding for approximately 40 rental units in Saxony Place for the 62+ Community.

The developers along with their sponsor Mahoning Valley Housing & Finance are in quest of funding from the US Department of HUD using the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program for the above proposal.

DOWNTOWN FAÇADE

I launched the Downtown Façade Initiative when I took office and many of the downtown business have taken advantage of the CDBG Match Fund with exterior facelifts such as paint, awnings, roofs, etc.

Letters were sent out to downtown business owners to seek interest and some have responded. It is a continued effort to make our City's Downtown presentable to possibly attract business and hopefully our existing downtown businesses are being supported for their efforts.

I would like to thank Mike Patrick, Chairman of Community Development Committee for assisting me and holding the meeting and all of Council for their support.

FIRE CHIEF/PART TIME POLICE OFFICER

On June 15th Bob Curtis was sworn in as a Part Time Police Officer; he has been a reserve officer for over a year.

Also on June 15th Gary Mudryk was sworn in as Fire Chief; his responsibility will begin on Friday, June 24th. He has been with the fire department since 1995.

I would also like to congratulate Chief Harold Milligan Jr. for over 35 years of service to our City in the Fire Department.

STRUTHERS DAY

On Thursday, June 30th from 5 PM to 10 PM the City and Aqua Ohio Water will sponsor our 14th Struthers Day at Mauthe Park. There will be many business, free food, pony rides, petting zoo, and music for all citizens to enjoy.

STREET PATCHING

I would like to thank the Street Department for the street patching they have done throughout the City and also for the grass cutting at all the abandoned properties.

Respectfully,

Terry P. Stocker
Mayor