

**MAYOR'S REPORT**  
**JUNE 23, 2010**

**ARRA STIMULUS GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY THANKS**

On June 4<sup>th</sup> ceremonies were held to present two projects which were part of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009; the Wastewater Treatment Plant Methane Gas Generators and the Lower Connector Bridge. Like mentioned before in earlier reports; the City received in combination approximately \$7 million dollars in ARRA funds.

I would like to extend my gratitude for all that came and supported these projects, Congressman Tim Ryan, Governor Strickland's Aide Mr. Carano, Engineering Firms MS Consultant and GPD Consultants, EPA Representatives, County Commissioners Anthony Traficanti, Dave Ludt and John McNally, Campbell Mayor George Krinos, Assistant Plant Manager Bob Gentile, Struthers City Council Members, Ron Mathews, Michael Patrick, Tony Fire, Robert Stouffer and Robert Carcelli III, MRCI Representatives, ODOT Representatives, Eastgate Representatives and all those not mentioned that were instrumental in the development of these projects.

I also would like to mention that on June 18<sup>th</sup> Waste & Recycling News interviewed myself and Bob Gentile for a feature in their magazine with reference to the Green Project/Methane Generators at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**CRACK SEAL PROGRAM**

Bids were accepted on June 11<sup>th</sup> for the Crack Sealing Program. P.S. Construction Fabrics, Wadsworth, Ohio; who has over 25 years experience in crack sealing was the lowest bidder. Their bid for crack sealing with 3034 D crack sealant for the 2010 Crack Sealing Program amounted to \$19,600 for 10,000 lbs., all cracks to be blown out with compressed air and sealed with ASTM D-3404 sealant.

The contract is currently being drawn up by the Law Director and the work shall be performed in the near future. Street Foreman Tim Daley has suggested a list of streets to be sealed.

**SOUTHEAST SANITARY INTERCEPTOR GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY**

Mahoning County Sanitary Engineer Officials broke ground Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Little Red Schoolhouse for the Southeast Sanitary Interceptor Project. Among those present were Congressman Tim Ryan, County Commissioner Anthony Traficanti, Sanitary Engineer Robert Lyden, Poland Township Trustee Bob Lidle, US Army Corps of Engineers Col. Michael Crall, Councilmen Tony Fire & Ron Mathews. Congressman Tim Ryan secured \$1.279 million grant dollars for the construction of this project and this is a total of \$2.7 million dollars for a project that has been on the books for many years. An appropriation request was prepared by Mahoning County Sanitary Engineers with the support of the Mahoning County Commissioners, funneled through the Grow Mahoning Valley selection criteria and submitted to the Congressman as a high priority for the Mahoning Valley.

This project includes the construction of a sanitary interceptor sewer from US224 in Poland along Struthers Road, Arrell-Smith Road to the Struthers Wastewater Treatment Plant. Through collaboration with the above this project will aid in the economic development of the US224 corridor in Poland Township as well as address the health and safety issues with regard to the failing septic systems on numerous streets in Poland Township. The project will also relieve some of the excess flow to Struthers via the Fifth Street Sanitary Sewer, thus reducing the risk of back-ups in the City of Struthers.

### **STRUTHERS DAY**

Struthers Day is Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at Mauthe Park and the festivities begin at 5:00 PM. Aqua Ohio Water is once again sponsoring this event and there will be many activities for your family to enjoy. There will be two live bands, Pony Rides, Petting Zoo, Face Painting, Free Hotdogs, Beverages, Popcorn & Cotton Candy. The Mahoning County Task Force, Struthers Firefighters, Struthers Canine Unit & Bike Patrol and the Medic Helicopter will once again land for view of their operation.

Businesses from the area will showcase their talents along with our Government Tent. Please come and enjoy your family and support our City.

For more information contact my office at 330-755-2181 x110.

### **INTERACT CLUB**

You may notice high school children working throughout the City this summer. The Struthers Interact Club will be weeding the City Entrance Signs, Downtown Recycling Center & City Hall and they will also be assisting in the set-up and clean-up for Struthers Day.

I would like to thank Mrs. Mary Carcelli and these fine children for this great club.

### **DOWNTOWN FAÇADE**

Sehlas' has begun exterior improvements at their downtown restaurant and it is looking great. The improvements that have been made in the past two years downtown have really made a difference; Dr. Peter Andrews' Courtyard & Expansion, Donavito's' Sign, the old Viking Building purchased by Bob Heck and the beautiful city sign donated by Aqua Ohio Water have made me proud to drive through downtown. Even some who didn't take advantage of the CDBG monies have made improvements and additions to their buildings and it welcomes people into our town. It doesn't go unnoticed or unappreciated....Thank You Downtown Business Owners!

### **STRUTHERS FY 2010 CDBG FORMULA APPLICATION**

Council Members and myself surveyed Fifth Street & Center Street for Low/Moderate Income (LMI) surveys to submit to the above program. Fifth Street and Center Street will be the only resurfacing projects submitted for this application.

### **CONGRATULATIONS ELMTON**

I would like to recognize Elmtown Pizza for 65 years of service to our community. Every time someone visits Struthers; that's the first restaurant they inquire about "*Elmtown's Pizza*". It has been a long time stable establishment and we continue to look forward to their famous pizza.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor Terry P. Stocker

