

**MAYOR'S REPORT
SEPTEMBER 28, 2011**

RUNGE BOULEVARD SAFETY UPGRADE PROJECT UPDATE

Letters were sent out to all affected property owners associated with the above project. The city recently opened bids for this project on September 9th and following a review of the bids, our consulting engineer; MS Consultants has recommended rebidding the project.

The reason to rebid the project is because the bids received exceeded the amount of grant funds available and the amount of city funds originally budgeted for the project. As a result, the city is in the process of revising the plans and specifications to rebid the project within the next three weeks. Specific items on the plans will be changed to reduce the overall cost of the project so that the costs fall within the grant and city budgeted funds. New curbing and driveway approaches on Runge Blvd. will be unchanged and remain as part of the project as previously discussed with the residents at a meeting held on Runge Blvd. in August.

City Administration and Council feel that rebidding the project at this time is the most fiscally responsible option for this project to proceed to completion. The work will commence in the spring of 2012 so that residents will not have any driveway or traffic inconvenience during the upcoming fall/winter months and the holiday season.

BOB CENE WAY UPDATE

The City of Struthers has worked with Norfolk Southern Railroad and progress has been made in moving the railroad signal to the proper location. There are tentative plans in place to complete construction in October; and the work should only take 8 working days to complete; weather permitting.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT METHANE GAS CONVERSION PROJECT DEDICATION CEREMONY

On October 14, 2011 at 10:00 am at the Struthers Wastewater Treatment Plant, the dedication of the methane generators to the Struthers Citizens will be held.

As mentioned before, the benefits of this conversion include additional gas and sludge storage, automatic operation, true odor containment, reduced maintenance, environmental compliance and an overall reduction in the plants energy costs.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween date and hours are set for October 31, 2011 from 5 pm to 7 pm.

Sincerely,

Terry P. Stocker
Mayor