

MAYOR'S REPORT  
JANUARY 28, 2009

**ELECTRIC AGGREGATION**

Buckeye Energy Brokers President Tom Bellish at the request of 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Councilman Robert Carcelli, III, Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee and myself met with Council to explain Electric Aggregation and what cost saving benefits an aggregation program could have to the City and its residents. The savings would come from the generation partial billing charge to the customers; savings would vary depending on the percentage negotiated between the Broker with the Supplier based on the amount of kilowatts used per year. Also, certain commercial accounts would be included to participate. Currently several potential suppliers are listed in the program handout. Council would need to vote and pass an Ordinance authorizing a Ballot Question, Agreement with selected suppliers and Buckeye Energy Brokers.

In order for the City residents to vote on an Electric Aggregation Program, Council must pass legislation authorizing a Ballot Question. This Ordinance would need to be submitted by February 19, 2009 to comply with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) which requires any ballot issue to be submitted 75 days prior to an election. Council plans to meet again prior to making a decision.

I am hopeful that the City will take advantage of any type of savings. An example was posed that just in one account of the Wastewater Department the City could save up to \$4,000 per year in generation charges. There is no cost to the City and other communities that are currently clients include Canfield, Stow, Green, Girard, Ravenna, Cortland and Euclid.

**EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

At the annual meeting of the Policy Board; I have been appointed to Eastgate Regional Council of Governments Finance/Executive Committee. I am happy to serve in this capacity.

**2009 BUDGET**

As I continue to work on the 2009 Budget; I am waiting the outcome of the Police/Dispatch Union Negotiations. The Governor's State of the State Address (scheduled this week) will give us a better idea of any cuts in local government and revenue assistance monies.

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