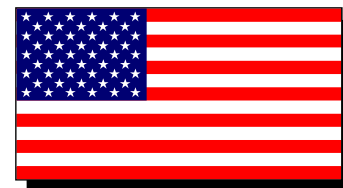


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Finished bridge on County Road 92.



Please remember our troops serving overseas

2017 Fourth Quarter
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County Update

The Quarterly Newsletter For The Belmont County Engineer's Office

Upcoming Holidays

February 19th, 2018

Presidents' Day

All Garages and Offices
Closed

Terry's Desk



Fall is typically the season we wrap up our summer projects and prepare for winter, and this year was no exception. We saw pipeline companies making long overdue repairs on several of our county roads. Our road crew repaired a slip on CR 214 Hospital Road caused by an old uncompacted fill. They also assisted Richland Township with a slip on T-279 Little McMahon Creek Road. Our bridge crew underpinned a retaining wall on CR 56 Maynard Road, thereby saving the wall and roadway. Along with our normal activities of patching, ditching, and clearing fallen trees, our crews performed the fall inspection of snow plows and related equipment. Several minor mechanical issues were found and addressed, so we were as ready for winter as possible.

In November our regular road maintenance continued with dragging and stoning of our gravel roads, along with more patching and ditching. The bridge crew replaced a small box culvert on CR 14 Farmington Road and did some minor ditching. We assisted the City of Barnesville by serving on the Belmont County Regional Airport Authority and reviewing their future plans. Our road crew repaired a small slip on CR 4 Hawthorn Hill Road and rebuilt the berm. We hired a new GIS Director, Anthony Atkins, and he immediately jumped in by assisting ODOT with the LBRS project. Speaking of ODOT, in November they completed the Clark Road bridge which connects to CR 4 Willow Grove Road. ODOT also completed the CR 30 Kirkwood Heights slip repair. Bids were opened on the Commons Mall Crossing/US 40 signal project, with Cornerstone Electric the apparent low bidder at \$122,282.25. This project is being funded by the Belmont County Transportation Improvement District (TID) and will eventually serve CR 29 Commons Mall Road.

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In December we got good news on our \$400,000 Ohio Public Works Commission grant application, with our CR 84 Oak View Road project receiving favorable consideration. This project will replace a failing 6-foot diameter metal pipe culvert under approximately 25 feet of embankment. The project will allow the industrial park on CR 84 Executive Drive and CR 80 Pogue Road to remain open during construction, and is estimated to cost \$540,000 to complete. Our OPWC project from last year wrapped up in December with the completion of the CR 86 Pugh Ridge Road and T-103 Crabapple Road retaining walls. One of mid-stream pipeline companies working in Belmont County suffered a setback on CR 54 Pipe Creek Road when the pipeline they were constructing burst during hydrostatic testing. The damage to CR 54 was minor, but the incident illustrates why quality control is so important to this industry. On CR 92 New Castle Road, Gulfport Energy rehabbed the bridge over Captina Creek with new concrete box beams and abutment repairs. December also saw our first real taste of winter weather, as snow and temperatures around zero arrived during the holidays. Thankfully the snow did not hit us all at once, and in most cases our crews were able to keep up.

County Road 114, Fairview Road, reopened on December 15th. This road had been closed for many years due to a strip mine operation that went bankrupt. The road was rebuilt by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources through the Coal Reclamation Forfeiture Fund using bonds that were forfeited from the Valley Mining D-1059 forfeiture.

We had a busy 2017, and we're hoping for a healthy and happy 2018. Safe travels everyone!

Welcome Anthony Atkins

Anthony Atkins started with the Engineer's Office as the GIS Director on November 12th after the retirement of Don Pickenpaugh.

Anthony was formerly employed by MarkWest. He graduated with a degree in Computer Science from Waynesburg University in 1995. He and his wife Kristy have four children. Anthony likes to research family history in his spare time.



Wedding Anniversaries	Birthdays	Employment Anniversaries
January		
	EDWARD BOND, January 12	CAREY GRECO Jan. 5, 31 years CHUCK EARLIWINE Jan. 8, 11 years TOM BUTLER Jan. 13, 15 years DAN BOLTZ Jan. 30, 1 year
February		
	CAREY GRECO, Feb. 17 SCOTTY BRITTON, Feb. 17	CAREY GRECO, February 17 RANDALL BRITTON, February 17
March		
MIKE & REBECCA KLOS March 20, 42 years	HENRY KOLODZIEJ, March 6 DWAYNE LEACH, March 10 CHUCK EARLIWINE, March 13 KEN WEHR, March 18 JOHN PARKINSON, March 24 MARK BOSNIC, March 29	ALBERT MUNTZ March 6, 23 years MIKE DRAKE March 7, 7 years WILL EDDY March 7, 2 years

Road and Bridge Projects



Piling wall project on Washington Township #103 which was part of Project 17-4.



Setting concrete box beams on County Road 92, New Castle Road, at the intersection of State Route 148. This bridge was a project paid for by Gulfport Energy.