

3rd Quarter 2024 Office Activity

Property Transactions	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
DEEDS	299	265	181
PARCELS	489	439	291
TNN	88	83	50
Transfer Not Necessary			

Permits Processed	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
Utility	12	3	1
Special Hauling	0	1	0
Driveway/Culvert	0	3	1

BELMONT COUNTY UPDATE

Late summer 1998 Steve Clark started at the Tacoma garage. He was hired as a Highway Worker at the beginning of his career with Belmont County and he finished his career as a Sign Worker at the Lloydsville garage. Steve volunteered at the Somerton Fire Department. He also offered his co-workers First Aid Training on Safety Day for many years.

On September 30th 2024, after 26 years of service to the Belmont County, Steve retired. Thank you Steve for your many years of service. You will be missed.

Congratulations on your retirement.



2024 CHIP SEAL PROJECT

Project #24-2 CHIP SEAL for the Belmont County Engineer Office had the most participation to date with nine out of sixteen Townships.

Colerain Township	\$134,057.85
Flushing Township	\$46,463.15
Mead Township	\$88,058.15
Pease Township	\$40,156.10
Pultney Township	\$79,385.35
Union Township	\$59,917.80
Washington Township	\$34,460.55
Wheeling Township	\$124,865.75
York Township	\$21,108.25
Belmont County	\$385,529.75
	\$1,014,002.70

Townships that participate receive better pricing because of the volume purchased. All Townships are invited to participate.



Retirement

NEXT EXIT 

Employment Anniversaries

OCTOBER

Ed Bond—22 Years
Forrest Kemp—18 Years
Scot Ferguson—17 Years
Michael Burkart—2 Years

NOVEMBER

Keith Luyster—17 Years
Anthony Atkins—7 Years
Justin Mowery—2 Years

DECEMBER

Robert Saffell—13 Years
Charles Crolley—11 Years
Brent Heatherington—1 Year

Happy Birthday to

OCTOBER

Forrest Kemp 5th
Brett Hess 6th
Scott Sall 23rd
Scott Ferguson 25th

NOVEMBER

Aaron Roth 8th
Robert Beckett 11th

DECEMBER

Rylen Detling 6th
Michael Murphy 10th
Terry Lively 10th

From Terry's Desk 3rd Quarter 2024

Terry D. Lively, P.S., P.E.
Belmont County Engineer



In **July**, our bridge crew started the month by replacing some guardrail of CR 56 Mt. Victory Road. Meanwhile, the road crews were busy ditching CR 44 Winding Hill Road and CR 56 Morgan Hill Road. On the 2nd, we opened bids on our much-anticipated paving project. This project began in 2020 when we applied for the \$2,000,000 federal grant. We began last year to prepare the plans, and we gained ODOT approval earlier this year. This spring we awarded a culvert replacement project to prepare the roads for the paving project. The winning bid of \$2,884,438.10 was submitted by Shelly & Sands. This project will resurface seven County roads for a total of 17.3 miles. The list of included routes is: CR 10 Fairpoint Maynard Road, CR 10 Crescent Barton Road, CR 24 Boydsville Road, CR 30 Dixon Hill Road, CR 56 Maynard Road, CR 56 Morgan Hill Road, and CR 72 Mt. Hope Road. If we only had the funding to do this much paving every year! Our road crews repaired some soft spots of CR 56 Country Club Road, preparing for the upcoming chip seal project. Looking ahead, we began the environmental work necessary for the Wheeling Twp. T-428 Coleman Road bridge replacement in FY 2026. There was more work on Morgan Hill Road as the bridge crew replaced a timber wing wall, and the road crew repaired a bank washout. On the 19th, we reopened the CR 10 Blaine Barton bridge, which had been closed since March, just in time to accept some of the detour traffic from the closed US 40 Blaine viaduct. The timing was unintentional but couldn't have been better. The road crews were busy patching and dragging the gravel roads, while the bridge crew removed the temporary bridge used in the Jug Run bridge replacement. We ended the month with another bid opening, this time a slip repair on CR 34 Hospital Road. The winning bid of \$283,158.50 was submitted by Ohio West Virginia Excavating. This slip repair project is the first phase of this year's Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) project and will be funded by a 74% grant and 26% Motor Vehicle Gas Tax (MVGT) funds. Next spring in phase two we will repave CR 34 and CR 34A Hospital Road from CR 214 to the Bellaire corporation limit.



CR 34 Hospital Road



CR 10 Barton Blaine Bridge

CR 10 Fairpoint Maynard



In **August** our bridge crew removed debris from several bridges, including CR 10 Blaine Barton Road, CR 56 OK Road, and CR 5 Jacobsburg Glencoe Road. They also replaced the guardrail on CR 4 Willow Grove Road and cleaned box culverts on Goshen Twp. T-86 Groves Rd. On CR 24 Boydsville Road, our road and bridge crews teamed up to uncover a pair of curb inlets that had been neglected and plugged with debris for decades. They also removed debris from bridges on CR 10 Black Oak Road, CR 64 Unity Church Road, CR 10 Maynard Crescent Road, and Richland T-337 Lee Road. The road crew made washout repairs on CR 10 Lafferty Bannock Road and trimmed trees on CR 6 Sharon Road. In late August, work began on this year's chip seal project. The unusually dry summer made it possible for our road crews to complete many miles of ditching on several county roads.

The bridge crew kicked off **September** by removing debris from several bridges, Union Twp. T-334 Lodge Hill Road, CR 56 Vineyard Road, CR 102 Mt. Olivett Road, CR 10 Crescent Barton Road, CR 86 Pugh Ridge Road, and Wayne Twp. T-804 Crum Road. We also began right-of-way acquisition on next year's CR 4 Glenns Run bridge replacement project. The new bridge will have an increased load capacity, as well as better roadway alignment and sight visibility. We also kicked off design work on next year's CR 5 paving project. The work will include Crescent Road from CR 10 Crescent Barton Road to US 250, and Emerson Road from US 250 to the Jefferson County line. The project is funded by a \$500,000 Shale and Oil grant, and the remainder from the Engineer's MVGT funds. And finally, our annual bridge inspection program passed the required Quality Assurance Review (QAR) with only minimal comments. Thanks to Popa Consulting for the fine work! We've had a really busy year, and we're still wrapping up some projects, so stay alert in the construction zones. Have a great Fall!

Happy Fall