

Manager's Report - 4/10/17

1. I spoke with Roger Smith, Director of Planning, Acquisition & Disposition - Mahoning County Land Bank and he advised me that they are starting the demo process on 226 E. Vermont. Asbestos testing will be April/May, abatement June/July. Demo is tentatively set for August.

Below is the list of the parcels that were sent to the prosecutor for foreclosure on March 20. The notes to the right indicate a previous FC or bankruptcy against the property in the past which may or may not interfere with their ability to foreclose and acquire for demo. MCPO will determine that. If any of these properties can't be acquired either due to a pending case or the owner pays back all the taxes, they will notify us so we can take code enforcement or other action.

616 W TENNESSEE	21-001-0-037.00-0	LOT 1232	
626 W TENNESSEE	21-001-0-038.00-0	LOT 1233	
516 W NEW YORK	21-001-0-091.00-0	LOT 1269	16CV2986?
547 W NEW YORK	21-001-0-134.00-0	LOT 1310	16CV2264?
305 18TH ST	21-001-0-153.00-0	LOT 1488	
147 S 15TH ST	21-002-0-075.00-0	LOT 1016	
143 W GEORGIA	21-002-0-153.00-0	LOT 1037	08 chpt 7?
103 W FLORIDA	21-002-0-186.00-0	LOT 1060	
125 E PENNSYLVANIA	21-003-0-027.00-0	LOT 19	10CV381?
176 W OREGON	21-003-0-131.00-0	LOT 155 S PART	
134 W MARYLAND	21-003-0-416.00-0	LOT 379	06CV1650?
496 W MARYLAND	21-004-0-315.00-0	LOT 911	09CV1750?

826 N 17TH ST	21-005-0-052.00-0	LOT 2072	
346 E VERMONT	21-006-0-195.00-0	LOT 1355	07CV3250?
846 15TH ST	21-006-0-322.00-0	LOT 2145	12CV2423?

2. In order to eliminate potential corrosion issues due to humidity in the GAC (carbon) building at the water plant, I have authorized the installation of a 5 ton dehumidifier. This is critical to protect the carbon process components. McGarvey Heating will be doing the work which should be completed in a few weeks. Approximate cost will be about \$4,700.00.

3. Eastgate is announcing the opening of the FY2018 ARC Program Pre-application process from March 29, 2017 through May 10, 2017. Pre-applications are due at the Eastgate office by Wednesday May 10th. I just wanted to let you know that I will be pursuing ARC funding for several projects we need to do. Therefore, I will be attending the Eastgate ARC Pre-Application Workshop on Wednesday, April 19th at 1:30pm. The FY2018 ARC allocation is determined by Congress. Eastgate anticipates knowing the amount of allocation for our three-county district sometime after the new Federal fiscal year starts in October 2017. The format is:

In order for projects to be funded through the ARC program they must meet at least one of the five ARC goals listed below:

- Goal 1: Economic Opportunities -Strengthen entrepreneurial and business development strategies
- Goal 2: Ready Workforce - Increase the education, knowledge, skills, and health
- Goal 3: Critical Infrastructure – Broadband; Access Rd (ADHS); and water/wastewater systems.
- Goal 4: Natural and Cultural Assets - Strengthen Appalachia’s community and economic development potential by leveraging the Region’s natural and cultural assets.
- Goal 5: Leadership and Community Capacity - Build the capacity and skills of current and next-generation

Examples of types of projects eligible for funding:

- Funds available for projects that assist communities create and retain businesses and jobs
- Assist communities develop an educated, skilled workforce
- Water/sewer improvements
- Access roads

- Projects that provide job training skills to residents (workforce development)
- Projects that increase ability to compete in a global economy and improve economic opportunity
- Create access to affordable, quality health care
- Support the development and improvement of infrastructure.
- Telecommunications / Broadband

4. I plan to attend the Regional Chamber luncheon with Ohio EPA Director Craig Butler, 11:15 a.m. – 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 13, at Leo's Ristorante in Howland. In addition to issuing water, wastewater and septic directives and grants, the Ohio EPA will be doling out \$71 million worth of grants as a result of the federal government's recent legal settlement with Volkswagen. So I want to see what we need to do to take advantage of any funding they are offering.

5. Received the countersigned revised OEPA orders from Director Butler. A copy was forward to the Water Plant and Water Distribution for implementation. A copy was placed in your mailbox.

6. Met with a park board member who requested funding for various unbudgeted projects and repairs. \$15,000.00 from the unappropriated general fund to the general parks professional services line item should cover their needs to patch, seal and stripe the parking lots and the tennis courts. Attached is the lowest quote of three for \$9,500.00 for that work. The additional funding is for miscellaneous expenses such as basketball backboards and net replacements, etc. The board has also expressed interest in renovating the gym floor at a later date. During the meeting I suggested the development of a 5 year capital plan so that we can determine funding for future projects, as we can afford.

7. Fire Chief Anderson has advised me that the outfitting of the new ambulance has been completed and it is now in active service. Chief Anderson advises that R-1 is ready to be donated to University Hospitals. University Hospitals is donating a "Thumper" automated CPR unit to SFD next week at a value around \$15,000.00. In June they are donating a LifePak15 which is valued around \$35,000.00. I would recommend that Council approve a resolution to accept the donations during the April 24 meeting.

8. The Service Department and WTP conducted a trial run at the West Branch sampling site and Beloit tank and the MPI for TTHMSs are well under the MCL limit requirements, which is good.

Water distribution will be flushing the system in that area up to a week before we collect in May, for mandated testing, to assure there is no stagnant water in the system affecting the samples. The autoflushers will also be installed in May upon the return of Bill Sanor.

9. Since I have not yet heard back from Mrs. Schreckengost on the agreement with the Scott's, I asked our solicitor to draft an agreement for Schreckengosts and Scotts to waive any previous agreement they may have regarding the mural, in order to move forward with the Scott lease. I will advise when that has been done.

10. Per Governor Kasich's order flags were lowered in honor of the interment of Col. John Glenn at Arlington National Cemetery from sunrise to sunset on Thursday, April 6, 2017.

11. Park donations for fireworks reached \$2770.00 as of today.

12. Smith Twp paid their first half fire contract for 2017 (Jan – June) in the amount of \$15000.00.