

Manager's Report - 1/28/19

1. My office received notice this morning from the Mahoning County Emergency Management Agency that a **Wind Chill Watch** has been issued for all of northern Ohio and NW Pennsylvania from Tuesday night through Thursday afternoon. There continues to be high confidence in days of dangerously cold temperatures with wind chills in the -25 to -35F range and perhaps as low as -40F in NW Ohio. **What to expect:**

Tuesday: Temperatures fall throughout the day after the passage of a strong cold front. Temperatures will reach single digits by evening. Wind chill values will drop below zero beginning in the late afternoon.

Tuesday Night: Temperatures will continue to drop overnight, falling below zero after midnight. Winds will be blustery all night and wind chill readings by after midnight will be colder than -20F. Wind chill readings could be as cold as -35F by daybreak, which would yield frostbite in as little as 10 minutes.

Wednesday: Little recovery in temperatures with most areas likely staying below zero. Dangerous wind chills will continue with values staying below -25F.

Wednesday Night: Lows well below zero and the coldest wind chills of this stretch expected. Winds remain elevated. Wind chill readings could be as cold as -35F to 40F by daybreak, which would yield frostbite in as little as 10 minutes.

Thursday: High temperatures in the single digits. Wind chills improve through the day as winds begin to diminish across the area. Wind chills go above -20F by Thursday afternoon and continue to improve overnight.

Friday: Temperatures continue to recover with high temperatures back in the teens to lower 20s by late afternoon.

A **Wind Chill Watch** is issued when there is 50% or greater confidence in wind chills of -25F or colder occurring in 36 to 48 hours.

2. Chief Anderson will meet with Brenda Smith from OBWC concerning the mandatory follow-up visit for the power cot and loading system grant. A review of the system in operation and periodic reporting is required. This includes the date the training was completed and the date the equipment was first used in the field and to photo document the equipment has been installed. This is the same procedure we went through we got a grant for Service Dept equipment in 2015. The meeting is still pending.

3. Our engineers from WEQ made a field visit to Sebring to inspect W. Virginia Avenue for the pending resurfacing project. They noted a few areas off the edge of pavement that are currently gravel parking, most notably near the park. I requested they include gravel surface rehab, similar to what we did on the California Ave, for this project. There was also one or two catch basin grates that they recommend be replaced, just the grate not the complete structure, which was also added to project scope. The final plans are completed and all we are waiting on now is for the grant award from Small Governments.

4. I am working with Joyce Kessler/RCAP to draft an OWDA funding application for the Texas Avenue tank project we've discussed. Since timing is important, OWDA is still the fastest loan to obtain. OWDA will go up to 30 years on the loans, however, the loan term is based on the useful life of the project. Our engineering projections unfortunately are 20 years useful life, so we cannot take advantage of a 30 year note. We are looking at an interest rate than of around 3.6%. OWDA is our best option at this point and they are working with us on the application.

5. Per the request of Finance Committee, the Village Solicitor's employment contract was amended as instructed, plus an ordinance for additional appropriations has been added to your agenda for tonight.

6. Per Service Director Sanor 200 tons of salt were ordered with 100 tons delivered last week and another 100 tons arriving shortly to keep an adequate supply on hand for snow and ice control.

7. The copier contract is expiring soon and we have narrowed our selection for new vendors to ComDoc and Graphic Enterprises. Upon final decision entering into contract will require Council approval since the total cost will be about \$34,800 for the term or \$580/mo for 60

months. It will include new copier machines for city hall, fire station 1, police station and parks office.

8. Our new Certificate of Estimated Resources for budget year beginning January 1, 2019 was amended and forwarded to the County Auditor. The amended certificate for 2018, due to additional transfers/appropriations, will be completed early next week and also submitted.

9. Received a few letters of interest for the Parks Board seat appointment. I will make a final decision later this week to fill the vacancy.

10. Fire Chief Anderson reports the HVAC unit is fixed at Fire Station 1. Cost for repairs was \$2500 paid from 100-1020 building maintenance. Chief advises that it's going to take around another \$800 to reroute some duct work since one of the rooms is still ice cold even with the unit working.

11. Superintendent Reed at the WTP reports that McGarvey Heating is going to give us a dehumidifier that was previously used in the Carbon Cannister building before the installation of the new unit two years ago. This older unit will be installed in the pipe gallery, which is currently not working and would be very costly to install a new unit. The only cost to the Village is for delivery and hook up.

12. Superintendent Hatton at the WWTP reports:

- The plant had a high flow event starting on the 23rd from a combination of snow melt and additional rain. They recorded 0.95" of precipitation on the 19th and 0.35" on the 20th and 1.0" on the 23rd. They filled the 2.5 MG EQ tank throughout the day on the 23rd and started overflowing EQ tank at 0516 on the 24th. The plant is still under high flow conditions and will be for the next few days.
- During this high flow period the plant recorded 166,000/gals coming from the Industrial Lift Station which is from our industrial park only and a normal weekday flow is 50,000/gals.
- Lee was contacted by OEPA in reference to Sebring Industrial Plating and if I knew if they were still operating or discharging to our sewer system. They have been trying to contact someone from Sebring Industrial Plating with no luck in anyone responding to them. Although that is not a concern for the Village after speaking to Bill Sanor. Lee advised the OEPA that there was currently a handful of people at Sebring Industrial

Plating but not for sure to what their function is and that their sewer drain is still capped off and not discharging to Village sewer system. Just an FYI.

- Other than that staff has been proceeding with daily lab/operations/Maintenance at the WWTP.