

CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE

Mayor's Message – Spring 2021

As we continue to face the challenges of COVID-19, we need to stay vigilant and do our part by social distancing, wearing face coverings and frequent hand washings to slow this virus down. The new challenge we are now faced with is the distribution of vaccines to as many individuals as possible; however, there continues to be a shortage of vaccines. If you have any questions regarding COVID or the vaccine, please contact Lorain County Public Health at (440) 322-6367.

2021 will be a busy year for city projects. Highlighted below are several capital improvement projects planned for this year:

Center Ridge Road Reconstruction Project. Work continued through the winter months to include installation of streetlights, traffic lights and pedestrian poles. Last month crews began grading out the four detention basins. Fechko Excavating will begin prepping and milling to finish up the asphalt surface course and add the pavement markings when warmer temperatures arrive. Once the pavement is complete then the new traffic signals will be activated. The anticipated date of completion is June 2021. I know we are all anxious to see this project completed!

Stoney Ridge Road Water Main Replacement. Construction is nearing completion on the replacement of the existing 8" water main from Center Ridge Road to Schaefer Drive for a length of approximately 1,500 linear feet and 1,200 linear feet on Schaefer Drive.

Chestnut Ridge Road and Alternate State Route 83 Roundabout. Construction of a 3-leg roundabout will begin in spring 2021 to include storm sewers, street lighting, landscaping, sediment and erosion control measures and traffic control. During the construction phase of the roundabout, Chestnut Ridge Road will be closed at this intersection for up to 90 days. Closure and detour details will be posted on the city's website at nridgeville.org when the information becomes available.

Center Ridge Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project. The project area is Center Ridge Road from Barton Road east to the city limits for approximately 3,200 feet. Currently underway are field investigations; geotechnical borings within the right-of-way; survey crews are gathering topographical data in and next to the right-of-way; and, obtaining elevations from the front door threshold of each structure and grade shots from the front two corners of each structure to help determine the sewer design. The design to include the final location of the sanitary sewer should be completed by June 2021 with construction to follow. Property owners will be notified of any obstructions during the final design phase. It is anticipated that sanitary sewer taps may be available by the end of this year.

Mills Road Bridge Replacement. The contract was recently awarded to Fabrizi Trucking & Paving to replace the bridge over French Creek on Mills Road midway between Westminister Avenue and Greenwich Avenue. The bridge width will be widened from 27 feet to 40 feet and sidewalks will be added. The work is to begin spring 2021. One lane of traffic will be maintained during construction with the use of portable temporary signals. Alternate detour routes will be posted on the city's website at nridgeville.org prior to the start of construction.

Barres Road & Stoney Ridge Road Realignment. Design services will begin in spring 2021 with construction in early 2022 for intersection improvements at Barres Road and Stoney Ridge Road. Work involves realigning approximately 300 linear feet of Barres Road to align directly across from Ravenna Drive and will include pavement buildup with curbs, storm sewers, utility relocation and traffic control.

Lorain Road Water Main Extension. Design services are continuing in 2021 to include surveying, geotechnical investigation and engineering to prepare improvement plans and specifications for the extension of the existing 12” water main along Lorain Road from a point east of Lear Nagle Road to a point west of Bliss Parkway. The purpose of the project is to remove all of the existing commercial taps from ALMU’s 30” ETL1 water main on the north side of Lorain Road. It is estimated that 2,300 linear feet of water main will be constructed in late 2021 or early 2022.

Creekside/Pine Cone Condominiums Water Main Rehabilitation. Design services are underway with construction in late spring or early summer 2021 to reline the 6” water main on White Pine Way, Spruce Pine Way, Red Pine Way and Scotch Pine Way. The project will also include a new waterline that will loop the four streets back to the existing 8” water main on Mills Creek Lane.

There are additional projects that are slated for later this year and into 2022. Visit the city’s website for the complete list of planned projects. The summer issue of the Community Connection will include additional projects as well as full-depth concrete pavement repairs and street paving.

I would like to extend an invitation to you to attend my monthly coffee and conversation in Council Chambers at City Hall. The coffees are held from 8:30-9:30 AM on Tuesday, March 23; Friday, April 23 and Monday, May 24. This provides you with an opportunity to hear first-hand about current and upcoming projects and to ask any questions you may have. Please wear your mask and we will be sure to social distance. I hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Mayor Kevin Corcoran