CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE

Mayor's Message – Fall 2021

As we move into the fall season our construction projects are winding down. The second roundabout at Alternate State Route 83 and Chestnut Ridge Road is now open. We are continuing to move forward with the engineering and design on two additional roundabouts – one at Avalon Drive, Stoney Ridge Road and Mills Road (peanut-shaped) and the other at Route 83 and Chestnut Ridge Road. The construction phases are tentatively set for 2022 and 2024.

The Mills Road bridge replacement project is currently underway and is expected to be completed the first week in December. The project includes the replacement of an existing bridge, water main, and drainage structure on Mills Road between Westminister Avenue and Greenwich Avenue. Two-way traffic is being maintained using one lane and temporary traffic signals.

Two additional projects are planned for the construction phase this fall and will be going out to bid in the coming weeks. Center Ridge Road sanitary sewer extension project along Center Ridge Road from Barton Road east to the city limits and the installation of a new water main on Lorain Road from Bliss Parkway to Lear Nagle Road.

Reopening of the Senior Center. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Office for Older Adults Director Emily Lockshine. She has been extremely busy planning for the reopening of the Senior Center after being closed for nearly 18 months because of COVID-19. Please plan to attend the re-opening Open House scheduled for Tuesday, September 7 from 11 AM-2 PM where you'll have an opportunity to meet Director Lockshine. The Senior Center will resume normal business hours on Wednesday, September 1. The Senior Center will be following all CDC, Ohio Department of Health and Lorain County Public Health guidelines. At the time of printing this newsletter, the CDC recommends that all persons, vaccinated or unvaccinated, are strongly encouraged to wear masks.

School Bus Traffic. With school in session, I would like to remind everyone that it is illegal to pass a stopped school bus on all two- or three-lane roads. The law also states that four or more traffic lanes, a driver need not stop for a school bus approaching from the opposite direction. This would apply to the section of Center Ridge Road that has been widened to five lanes and a section of road on Lorain Road from Bagley Road east to the city limit. Also as a reminder, the speed limit in school zones is 20 miles per hour during recess and during the opening and closing hours of schools. Please pay attention and help keep the children in our community safe!

Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance Ceremony. Please join me on Saturday, September 11 at 8:30 AM at the Ranger Stadium for a special memorial service to honor those who tragically gave their lives 20 years ago. I would like to thank our Police and Fire Departments, VFW Post 9871, North Ridgeville City Schools, Board of Education, High School Choir, Pastor Kevin Crow, Donna and Tony Cioffoletti, and retired firefighter Lou Simonyi for their participation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at (440) 353-0811.

Sincerely,

Mayor Kevin Corcoran