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I am sure everyone is as happy hear as I am to announce – all streets are open in Fort Recovery as construction is completed and only some clean-up and seeding work to be finished up over the next couple weeks. This is the last phase of the sewer separation projects and has covered a great deal of area in completing the separation necessary between our storm sewers and our sanitary sewers. With that said there are still some homes and very isolated areas that need some additional work and we will be addressing those areas in the very near future. There are also still some homes that need to complete some separation work and again we will be contacting some of you shortly. Again, THANKS for everyone's patience and understanding in this long but very worthy and necessary project.

In that same mode we continue to look at some necessary improvements to our sanitary lagoons. Our existing lagoons were built in 1971 and have had very little done to them over those years. We now need to make some changes to the piping layout to improve the usefulness of the entire lagoon area to better serve our community needs over the next number of years. More will be discussed in this area over the next couple months as we plan these improvements.

I am also pleased to report that the crew is here installing the final piece of the new playground equipment. Weather permitting they hope to be finished up with the installation of the rubberized surface later this week. Once they complete the work it is imperative that we keep everyone off for a minimum of 72 hours to allow proper curing/drying of the surface prior to it being used. Also we have a small section of sidewalk to pour to connect our new playground with the existing sidewalk to provide complete accessibility to this new play area. Once completed and opened this will be a very nice improvement to our community and proper thanks will be forthcoming for all those involved.

A huge “thank you” to the Friends of the Arts Committee for providing such an excellent slate of events over this past summer for the Sunday evening concerts. It is really neat that Fort Recovery was the leader in providing free concerts and twenty plus years later we are still going strong!! As always it wouldn't happen without committed volunteers so again we thank Terry Smith, Karen Meiring, Connor Rammel, Kelly Walter, Jill Walter, Irene Stone and Charlie Rohrer for their efforts and hard work!!

Also a quick note to report that a “Ribbon Cutting” was held earlier today to welcome Perham Egg Ohio to the Fort Recovery business community. We appreciate their commitment and investment in Fort Recovery and look forward to a great relationship. They are up and running and as Bernie says frequently “We buy eggs”. I also need to mention that the “Trusty Woods” restaurant is open daily (except Monday) from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm in the former Meinerdings Restaurant building. Stop in and give them your support and welcome them to Fort Recovery.