

## September 2, 2014

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As we reach September and the cooler evenings of fall, we look at wrapping up projects that have been going on this summer. Some such projects are the Sewer Separation Project, the Playground Project, a building addition to our street building and the relocation of our salt bin along with many smaller yet important utility and street improvements.

As reported the Sewer Separation Project has only the seeding work to be completed which should be happening in the next couple weeks. The new playground equipment is open and has received great reviews from those that have enjoyed the much improved playground area; village employees will be completing the final dirt work and getting this area seeded during September. Jerry has been working on his building projects as time allows and will now try to get them buttoned up before the winter weather arrives. I must commend the village work crew for their efforts in all these projects and the many other projects/jobs that they complete on a daily basis and the money they help us save by doing projects that were previously hired out. Thank you to Jerry, Paul, Ryan, & Mitch for your efforts and to our other employees for their continued assistance.

I have received the following time table for the Utility Aggregation : Opt-Out letters will be mailed to those who are not under a current electric supply contract on Sept. 22nd, Opt-out period will end on Oct. 13th and effective date of the new program will be Nov. 1st. Again this is electric only at this point and the rate offered is 5.99 cents per kWh for a 3 year term through AEPenergy. We hope to have more news on the gas side here shortly. Questions regarding the aggregation can be directed to me at the village offices.

REMINDER: Village crews will be going around trimming trees and shrubs along all streets, alleys and sidewalks. If you prefer to do the trimming work yourself, please do so now or contact the village to let us know you will have it done in the very near future.

Upcoming Dates of Interest around the Village:

October 11th ----4:00-8:00 pm > Car Club / Merchants Cruise-In on the brick street  
October 19th ---5:00 doors open > One-of-a-Kind Auction (Historical Society & Project Recovery) @ the Fort Recovery Elementary/Middle School Auditoria  
October 25th ---4:00 pm start > Athletic Booster Club's Buckeye Bash on the brick street  
October 26th – Fort Recovery Merchants Association Halloween Parade & Trick-or-Treat hours  
3:00 pm – parade line-up at High School commons  
3:15 pm – parade to Van Trees Park  
3:30 pm – costume judging at Van Trees Park  
4:00 – 6:00 pm – Trick-or-Treat hours

November 16th – Merchants Christmas Open House