

# Supervisor's Report

From: Marlene Chockley

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Trustees,

Here are updates on several items of interest.

## **Deborah Mozurkewich Memorial Path (AKA Barker Road Non-Motorized Path) update**

We were unsuccessful obtaining the easements from two of the homeowners whose property the non-motorized path would cross. Because of drainage issues, we are unable to build across the other two easements that we did obtain. There will be signage at each end of the break. Construction will begin in earnest this week and continue into July when it should be completed.

## **Medical Rescue and Fire Protection Millage Proposal**

The current millage that supports the fire and medical rescue services expired with the winter 2016 levy. It was originally approved by the voters in 2008 as a consolidation of several millages to total 1.942 mills. That 2008 approval was for three years—2008 through 2010 inclusive. It was then renewed by the voters in 2010 for three more years—2011 through 2013 inclusive and again in 2014 for three more years—2014 through 2016 inclusive.

In order to continue to provide these essential services to our residents, we must ask them again to approve a millage. Chief Wagner and I believe that a request for 2 mills would provide a level of funding that would allow us to continue to provide services at the current level and extending it for five years would ensure a better measure of predictability. Please note that the recently expired millage had not allowed the department to be self-sufficient and that the Board recently transferred \$250,000 into the department in order to pay for a new fire engine.

The resolution has been placed on the agenda for this meeting in order to make the deadline for getting it onto the 2017 August election.

## **Downtown Strategic Plan Update**

The Downtown Development Authority and Downtown Planning Group met together to begin work on the strategic plan. You all received a draft survey. Several of the focus groups have been scheduled with the first two occurring on May 24<sup>th</sup>. On that day the senior focus group will be held in conjunction with the senior lunch at the community center and the representative resident group will be at the Northfield Township Library at 6 pm.

We also plan to have information available at events through early summer with the project completed by the end of August.

### **North Village**

The RFP/RFQ effort is on hold as we look at our options for providing wastewater treatment to the area. Brian Rubel of TetraTech, WWTP Superintendent Dan Willis and I met to discuss this. Dan has provided some information on the ages of our various transmission lines and the areas that they serve. Deputy Clerk Cristina Wilson has provided information on the number of customers and Brian will have flow monitoring data in July. We should be able to provide the Board with a recommendation by September.

At that time, the Downtown Strategic Plan should be complete and the RFP/RFQ will be able to be promoted in the context of a unified plan.

### **Appointments Upcoming**

Several positions may be opening up on Township Boards and Commissions in June. Anyone interested in serving on any board should contact the township to obtain an application to be considered.

Please call or email me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.



Marlene Chockley