

Date: August 13, 2021
To: Town Chair and Supervisors
From: Richard Heath, Administrator
Re: Monthly Administrator's Report

A. Irvine Detention Pond Project

Advance Construction is waiting on dryer weather to finish the safety shelf, landscaping, and site restoration. Advance's landscaping sub-contractor will be planting trees, grading, and completing any minor site repairs later this month. The trees have a 2-year warranty and Advance is responsible for watering the trees. Michels will be using the remaining topsoil for use on Omro Road. Michels has also agreed to finish any restoration of the gravel path, field, and Owen Lane once they have removed all of the topsoil. The Irvines will be placing a plaque by the tree noting that their farmstead is a Century Farm. The final landscaping to include planting of the aquatic plants will take place next summer. A web page was created to keep the public up to date on this project complete with photos and weekly progress notes.

B. Jones Detention Pond

Advance's sub-contractor (McDonald Services, LLC) erected a wire mesh fence and planted the aquatic plants along the edge of the detention pond. They will come back and spray for weeds one more time and then complete some minor site restoration before doing the final seeding and matting. The 30" storm sewer that flows in to the pond will be connected to the storm sewer pipes on Omro Road later this month. The Jones Detention Pond will handle storm water generated from Olde Apple Acres that flows through the Town's dry pond located between Charlie Anna Drive and Shepard Drive and then south on the east side of Welsh Haven Drive to Omro Road and discharges in to the detention pond. The pond discharges to the ditch on the north side of STH 21 through an 18" pipe. The water eventually discharges in to west branch of Honey Creek and then to Honey Creek Pond.

C. Omro Road Reconstruction Update

The reconstruction of Omro Road is now in its fifth month. Sommers has poured much of the curb and sidewalks east of N. Oakwood Road and has started work in front of Oakwood School. Northeast Asphalt will be laying the first layer (binder coat) of asphalt the week of August 16th from Brooks Lane to N. Oakwood Road. Baumhardt is laying storm sewer pipe near Elmhurst Lane and Michels is constructing the road near Tammy Road. All three contractors are continuing to work to the west. The Town's website is updated at least weekly to let residents and businesses know where and what type of work will be taking place along the roadway.

D. Honey Creek Road Culvert Replacement

The weather has delayed the completion of this project from its original completion date of July 31st. Highway Landscapers have completed the installation of a 6' x 8' sq. ft. cement culvert on Honey Creek Road. Between heavy rainfall events, the contractor did pour the east headwall with the west headwall being poured the week of August 16th. Weather permitting, the project is scheduled to be completed by the end of August. A web page has been created to keep the public up to date on this project complete with a photo diary.

E. Heavy Rain Events and Flooding

The Oshkosh Area has experienced several inches of rain over the past few weeks. The result has been flash flooding in several locations throughout the Town. Areas most prone to flooding are Clairville Road south of 20th Street, Welsh Haven, Snowdon, Sheldon, and Wyldeberry. In addition, there have been reports of some flooded properties along Omro Road due to the construction. Heavy, prolonged rain is the primary reason for the flooding. However, in some of cases, it was man-made. Ditches plugged with plastic pipes, cattails, grass, and debris block or become wedged in culverts that do not allow the water to flow causing street and yard flooding. The Town will be mowing ditches later this month and those residents with plastic pipes in their ditches have been instructed to remove them. Once Omro Road, the Irvine and Jones Detention Ponds, and the Elmhurst Lane storm sewer pipe connection to Omro Road are completed, much of this flooding will be significantly reduced or eliminated. The Town takes the welfare of its residents very seriously and are in constant communication with engineers and property owners to address any flooding issues promptly.

F. Pedestrian Path on Leonard Point Road

Zillges Spa, Landscape, and Fireplace has completed the construction of a walking path on the east side of Leonard Point Road from Duchess Lane north to the path going east to Jones Park. The appropriate pedestrian crossing signage and markings will be added later this month.

G. Private Snow Removal Contract

Jeff Foust Excavating, Inc. has been providing snow removal services for the Town of Algoma for several years. Foust Excavating plows Town-owned properties, such as the Town Hall parking lot, as well as the path and parking lot at Jones Park. Mr. Foust and his crew do a very good job for the Town given the large volume of plowing. *As provided with this report*, the hourly rates from 2020-2021 to 2021-2022 for all of his services did not increase except one and that is for dump trucks with 10' hydro-turn plows that went from \$70.00 to \$75.00 per hour. The approval of the 2021-2022 Contract for Jeff Foust Excavating, Inc. is an action item on the agenda.