



A Little Help

An earthmover gets a little help, in the form of a shove from a bulldozer. These machines were working on the Lafayette Street storm sewer project last month. Today, the project is almost completed. Construction crews only work at the

site on Fridays now, said Bob Seaman, village engineer. The project involved burying giant storm sewer pipes, some about six feet in diameter, to provide storm drainage for the area.—*photo by David Pugh*

Local Firm Wins Insurance Bid

Archbold Village Council selected the Beck Insurance Agency, Archbold, to provide property and casualty insurance at the Monday night, July 7, meeting.

Beck agency represents The Ohio Plan.

Speaking to council, Ed Leininger, chairman of the finance committee, said the bid tendered by Beck Insurance was higher than that of Government Underwriters, Cleveland.

But he said committee members decided the Cleveland firm's bid did not match the specifications of the request for bids issued by the village.

Council had to approve the insurance bid by July 31, said Dennis Howell, Archbold village administrator.

Chemical Company

Howell told council members he sent a letter to a company that had contracted to supply a chemical used in the water treatment process, that has re-

fused to sell at the agreed-upon price.

Howell said the company refuses to supply caustic soda at the contract price, and the price the company is requesting is "not even within 10%" of the contract price.

He told council members the village has two choices. It can pay the new rate, or sue the company for breach of contract.

Howell said he doubts if it will be worth it to sue the chemical company.

One option the village does have is to follow the lead of the City of Cleveland.

Cleveland, Howell said, builds a performance bond requirement into its chemical bids. If a company fails to deliver at the agreed-upon price, the company forfeits the bond.

Restaurant

Council reviewed a letter written to Jim Rivello, owner of the Archbold McDonald's.

Howell said the letter tells

Rivello that a large hole near the driveway access to the restaurant's truck parking area needs to be repaired.

The hole was caused by trucks dragging their trailer axles over the curb.

The village cannot order Rivello to fix the hole, because it's on private property. Howell said the letter pointed out the hole creates a dangerous situation.

Council members also reviewed the engineering project status report and the police department and street department activity reports for June.

Council also reviewed the village financial report. Council members were told state auditors are currently auditing the village books. The audits are done every other year.

This year's audit is expected to be complete by Aug. 15.

All members were present, and all votes were unanimous. The next council meeting is Monday, July 21, 7 pm in council chambers.—*David Pugh*

Summer On The Farm At Sauder Village

Sauder Village visitors will have the opportunity to try their hand at a wide variety of activities during "Summer on the Farm," Saturday, July 12.

Visitors try everything from making rope to cranking an old-fashioned ice-cream freezer. At 2 pm, visitors can help erect a wigwam in the Natives & Newcomers area.

Weather permitting, there will be a threshing demonstration in the fields, and visitors can learn about the traditional threshing meal.

Andi Erbskorn, curator of education for the village, said "Summer on the Farm" is a day for families and children of all ages to connect with their past.

Also on Saturday is the annual Fiddle Contest. Fiddlers from throughout the region will gather and compete in two divisions, one for students and one for adults.

Several area residents will be volunteering at the village.

Ken Wasnich, Archbold, and Steve Dimick, Pettisville, will lend a hand with threshing, while Neal and Julie Beck, and Evelyn Nafziger, Archbold, will

make soap the old-fashioned way.

Ruth Dinius will pick geese. Also assisting are Gwen Kruse and Vera Schmidt, Archbold.

Junior historians volunteering are:

Archbold: Cara Foor, Grace Diller, Carissa Diller, Emily Short, Pete Schoenhals, Natalie Rupp, Theresa Miller, Amanda Miller, Orion Nines, Levi Strawn, Anna Schoenhals, Kennedy Wyse, Ashley Rabe, Hannah Groeneweg;

Fayette: Genevieve Randall, Jimmy Randall, Madeline Randall, Michael Heinze, Rebecca Heinze; Stryker: Luke Graber, Megan Graber.

Council Okays New Street Light

Archbold Village Council agreed to order Toledo Edison to install a new street light at or near the End Times Harvest Church, 1205 North Defiance Street.

Council came to that decision at the Monday night, July 7, meeting.

Dennis Howell, Archbold Village administrator, said the assistant pastor asked that a light be installed, because the area is particularly dark.

Howell said under the village contract with Toledo Edison, the company will install the light at no charge to the church or the village, but the electricity will be added to the monthly street lighting bill.

Rate Changes

Council agreed to adjust the rates for permits in the village.

Howell said a review of village ordinances discovered that some of the rates and fees have not been increased in as long as 25 years.

The cost of a permit to cut into a street was raised from \$75 to \$120.

Bob Seaman, village engineer, said normally utility companies

who need to work on underground pipes or wires purchase the permits to dig up a street. The village requires permits so engineers know what underground lines are in the vicinity.

The cost of a permit for digging in a terrace, the grassy area between the street and the sidewalk, was raised from \$7.50 to \$15.

Seaman said the cost pays for a 15-minute inspection, so village officials are assured the terrace has been properly restored.

Also, the permits allow the village engineer office "to know who's doing what in the village."

He said there are about 12 such permit requests a year.

Jeff Fryman, councilman, asked Howell how he arrived at the new figures. Howell said he applied the rate of inflation since the rates were last approved.

Howell said the current ordinances call for a \$30 charge for mowing a vacant lot. That was changed to a time-and-materials charge.

Re-Codification

The changes are the result of a re-codification of the village

ordinances, being conducted by American Legal, Cincinnati. The firm specializes in reviewing ordinances for cities and villages.

Howell said it is recommended that a community re-codify its ordinances once every six to seven years. Archbold ordinances have not been re-codified since 1997.

"It's a pretty big project," Howell said.

There are changes that need to be made in the village income tax law and in the village criminal codes.

Also, a 1981 village law requires the village to pay a five-eighths share of curbs and gutters in new subdivisions; the streets and sidewalks committee recommended rescinding the ordinance.

Another recommended change is the addition of a third member to the village tax review committee.

As of now, the mayor and the village law director serve on the committee. It was recommended that a third person, appointed yearly by the mayor, be added.

Village officials have been working on the re-codification since September 2007.

***Engineer Says**

(Continued from first page) some rock to protect a ditch from erosion.

The contractor on the job, Anderson-Pitzen, Metamora, is working on the project only one day a week. The company has until Sept. 1 to finish the work.

Lafayette Street

Paving is completed on the Lafayette Street extension. All that's left for Heer Excavating, rural Archbold, is final grading of the soil around the new streets and touch-ups.

"They should wrap up that project soon," Seaman said.

The \$418,000 project should be finished well before the Oct. 15 completion date, he said.

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Black Velvet Truffles

6 ounces fine-quality bitter-sweet chocolate (60% cocoa)
 2/3 cup heavy whipping cream
 1/2 teaspoon double-strength vanilla

1/2 cup assorted coatings such as toasted coconut, finely chopped toasted almonds, and finely chopped toffee candy bars

Finely chop chocolate and place in small bowl. Add cream. Microwave, uncovered, on high, 30 seconds; stir until smooth. If necessary, microwave an additional 15 seconds or until smooth.

Stir in vanilla. Cover; let stand at room temperature until mixture is firm enough to scoop (at least 3 hours or overnight).

Using a small scoop, scoop truffles onto serving platter. Cover with plastic wrap until ready to serve.

Prepare assorted coatings and place into individual serving bowls.

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 BBQ Babyback Ribs.....Whole rack \$16.95.....1/2 Rack \$10.95

Meal includes choice of potato (mashed potatoes, french fries, baked potatoes, home fries, special potatoes), one side (tossed salad, fruit, applesauce, cottage cheese, cole slaw, jello, or tapioca), and a dinner roll.

By Brookview Farm Meats & BBQ

Summer on the Farm & Fiddle Contest at Sauder Village

Saturday, July 12
 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Hands-on History...
 Churn ice cream; make butter and noodles; participate in a spelling bee; wash clothes on a scrub board; and more! Demonstrations include use of traditional native stone & bone tools in Natives & Newcomers and threshing in the fields (weather permitting).

In Founder's Hall...
 Ricky Prater and The Midnight Travelers performing at 12:30 PM, followed by the Fiddle Contest at 1:00 PM featuring some of the best youth and adult competitors in the tri-state region!

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