



City of Pataskala Utility Department Chris Sharrock, Utility Director

➤ Utility Department Updates

• Biosolids program

- The department is currently considering a proposal from Agrisludge to facilitate our biosolids program
- The contract information is being adjusted at the request of the Utility Committee. A copy of the updated contract will be provided to you as soon as possible.

• Staffing

- The two Field Technician's and the Systems Superintendent will be introduced to council

• Water Reclamation Facility

- WRF Upgrade
 - Discussions have begun with the Utility Committee and Hull and Associates to decide the best approach to take in regards to facility upgrades at the WRF. These upgrades are needed to meet the pending EPA phosphorous limit of 1 mg/L in our effluent
 - The design loan application for the WPCLF fund from the Ohio EPA has been submitted for EPA review
- One clarifier is offline due to a couple of failed seals
 - The Plant Superintendent has ordered the replacement seals
 - Due to high flows in the most recent rain events, the clarifier had to be put back into service. When high flows subside, the clarifier will be pumped back out and the repairs will be made
- SEOWEA section meeting April 11
 - The department has volunteered to provide a tour of the WRF as a part of the SEOWEA section meeting. Two groups of 25 people are expected to attend.
 - Ryan Brown will lead one group and Chris Sharrock will lead the other
 - This tour will count for one contact hour towards Wastewater Licenses for anyone who attends as well as the presenters

- **Water Treatment Plants**

- Back up High Service Pump and Motor for WTP1
 - Buckeye Pump has begun the rebuild process
- Painting
 - Operators are beginning the process of painting the pipes inside of WTP1 as part of the routine maintenance

- **Distribution and Collection System**

- Booster Pump Upgrade Project
 - Buckeye Pump has begun ordering the pump, motor and backup repair parts to complete this project
 - Installation is expected to begin soon
- 320 Pataskala Ridge
 - The service line to 320 Pataskala Ridge was replaced due to a whole in the copper line on February 20
- Mill Street Waterline Project
 - This is a continuation of a project started last year. It is to abandon a trouble section of old 6" water main on Mill St between Main and Jefferson.
 - The water main will be looped in to an existing 8" water main in the same area.
 - Five water services will be transferred from the old 6" water main to the new 8" water main.
 - Project expected to last for one week beginning the first week of April

- **Billing Team**

- Rate Structure
 - Discussions have begun regarding the best way to move forward with a rate increase
- Continued efforts in regards to providing excellent customer service
- BWC Annual Safety Conference March 6-8
 - All members of the billing team have registered for a day of general safety classes at the conference
 - These classes are free to attend

- **Reports**

- I have begun work on the Annual WRF Facility Report
 - This report is a similar report to the Water CCR, only covering the wastewater process
 - It is not required by the OEPA, but is something the department does for informational purposes
- I have begun work on the Annual Water Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) as required by the OEPA
 - This report explains the water treatment process and test results from the previous year
 - This report is due in July

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