

County Administrator's Digest

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OTTAWA COUNTY GETTING SOCIAL (Shannon Felgner)



You can now keep up with Ottawa County on Facebook and Twitter! Ottawa County is joining these communities to improve communication and citizen engagement. Several departments of the County have participated in social media for many years, including Parks and Public Health. The following are some interesting metrics from the initial month of participation:

- Ottawa County joined the social networks on December 5, 2013.
- The Ottawa County Facebook Page has 167 likes.
- On average, each status update on the Ottawa County Facebook Page is seen by 285 people. This number will grow as likes increase.
- The Ottawa County Twitter account has 67 followers.
- Five press releases were tweeted or posted on Facebook since December 10. Using Bitly links, the county measured 83 clicks through to the full copy of the release. (The press releases were also sent through email to all media contacts.)



THE "OTTAWA COUNTY WAY" ESSAY CHALLENGE (Greg Rappleye)

What is unique about living in Ottawa County, Michigan? Are things done just a bit differently along the Lakeshore? What is the history behind the singular nature of life in Ottawa County? How true (or untrue) is that history? The County of Ottawa announces the "Ottawa County Way" Essay Challenge. Our goal is to celebrate



those stories, great and small, about living in Ottawa County, Michigan. Interpret this subject as broadly as you wish. We would especially like to see work that is concerned with the interaction of local culture and local government, including but not limited to Ottawa County government. Work from school-aged authors is encouraged, but we are looking for work from writers of all ages.

The Challenge entries will be pre-screened by Ottawa County Administration. The finalists will be forwarded to and judged by the Board of Commissioners of Ottawa County.

The "Ottawa County Way" Essay Challenge is open to all current and former residents of Ottawa County, and to full and part-time employees of Ottawa County, including former employees. Entries must be typed and double-spaced, with the author's name, street address, telephone number and email address in the upper right-hand corner of the first page. The deadline is April 30, 2014 (postmark), or receipt on or before that date by email attachment at mcunningham@miottawa.org. The entries should be no longer than 1,500 words in length.

Results will be announced on May 27, 2014 at a regular meeting of the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners and framed certificates will be awarded to the authors of those essays judged most deserving by the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners. All essays will be considered for possible publication.

Please Note: The "Ottawa County Way" Essay Challenge is a part of Ottawa County's Cultural Awareness Initiative, and is being supported entirely with private funds.

2014 BROWN BAG LUNCH SCHEDULE

Misty Cunningham recently posted the Brown Bag Lunch schedule for 2014. Administration began informally meeting employees for lunch nearly 10 years ago. We hold lunches at 8 different sites around the County 3 times per year. Most of the lunches are well attended and we have a good two-way information sharing time. We believe the lunches have gone a long way to improve communication and build trust and we hope to see you at the lunches this year. [Click here](#) to view the schedule.

OTTAWA COUNTY – VILLAGE OF SPRING LAKE COLLABORATION

The Board of Commissioners recently approved a contract with the Village of Spring Lake for financial services. Deputy Fiscal Services Director Marv Hinga, who formerly served as Finance Director for the City of South Haven and prior to that in a similar capacity for Hudsonville, has been working for about 8 weeks in a similar capacity for the Village of Spring Lake.

This is a pilot project that will be evaluated after six-months. The Village will reimburse the County for 24 hours per week of wage and benefits for Hinga. The early returns show that the arrangement is working well thus far.

OCCDA BOARD APPROVES SMART 911 (Tim Smith)

Smart 9-1-1 is a tool for dispatcher's that provides critical citizen entered information to dispatch when a 911 call is received from a registered phone. With 88.2% of our 9-1-1 calls commi9ng from cell phones in 2013, it is time consuming to get relevant information from callers. This system will give dispatchers instant access to user entered information enabling us to enter calls more quickly and provide critical medical, family, hazard, location and other information to first responders. The information will also be directly accessible to first responders at the scene of an incident.

The OCCDA Policy Board approved the implementation of Smart 9-1-1 here at Central Dispatch at its regular meeting of January 16th. The information attached will explain how it works. Also I have provided a link to a short video explain the system <https://www.smart911.com/what.php#.UtgJyZ2A270>

We will be covering the information with all of the stakeholders and expect to have the system operational by March.

OCEDO – LAKESHORE ADVANTAGE COLLABORATION

The Boards of Directors of Lakeshore Advantage and the Ottawa County Economic Development Corporation voted to merge the two operations and former OCEDO Executive Director Ken Rizzio recently began his duties with Lakeshore Advantage. The two groups began to collaborate well in recent years and Ken's skills certainly complement the efforts of Lakeshore Advantage.

I was named to the Lakeshore Advantage Board of Directors by the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners and the Lakeshore Advantage Board of Directors. At my first board meeting on Monday morning Randy Thelen announced that he is leaving the group after many years of excellent service to take an economic development position in Omaha, Nebraska.

The following three articles were published regarding these changes.

[Lakeshore Advantage-OCEDO merger extends reach further into Ottawa Co.](#)

[Thelen bids adieu](#)

[Q&A: Lakeshore Advantage president explains why he's departing](#)

QUARTERLY MEETING OF OTTAWA COUNTY AND ROAD COMMISSION REPS (Keith Van Beek)

Members of the respective boards and staff of the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners and Road Commission participated in their quarterly management meeting on Wednesday, January 15. Items of discussion included:

1. Update/Progress on items from the Memorandum of Understanding from the Road Commission Task Force, including;
 - A. The retiree health benefit for the non-bargaining group has been eliminated for new hires.
 - B. Staff from the Road Commission has received and will shortly report to their board information from MERS regarding a funding analysis and options to switch from a defined benefit to a defined contribution plan for all new hires.
 - C. Discussions will then be held with the bargaining groups at the road commission regarding retiree health and defined contribution changes for new hires in those groups.
 - D. The group discussed if there was any interest and what timelines might apply to reconsider a county-wide millage for road funding. The road commission will discuss further and would need to approach the Board of Commissioners to request such a question to be put on a ballot. The Board of Commissioners will conduct a citizen survey during 2014, and the road commission was invited to suggest potential questions to include on that survey including a question(s) regarding a potential road millage.
2. Review of Plowing Priorities/Policy - the following policy was taken from the Road Commission website to highlight their priorities for plowing during storm events.
 - A. A policy was developed to provide cost effective winter maintenance operations and to inform the public about the level of winter maintenance services for roadways maintained by the Road Commission. Winter maintenance operations are conducted in accordance with the established priority system based on traffic volumes, road classification, and location. The priorities are as follows:
 - I. State Trunklines
 - II. Multi-lane Primary Roads
 - III. Primary Roads
 - IV. Local Paved Roads
 - V. Subdivision Streets
 - VI. Local Gravel Roads
 - VII. Dead End Streets and Cul-de-sacs
3. Winter Maintenance Budgets - the attached handout was reviewed depicting winter maintenance budgets through 1/10/2014 and compared to prior years. The primary road budget is 73% expended, the local road budget at 70%, and MDOT budget at 72%. Costs in excess of 100% need to be taken out of the various road budgets that are provided in a later handout. The Road Commission has also ordered approxi-

mately 100% of their salt for the year, and can maintain the same cost for up to 130% of their allocated amount. It is yet to be seen if this amount will last the winter season.

4. Michigan Transportation Fund - the attached handout was distributed showing that anticipated revenue is on budget through two months.
5. 2014 Program Handout - the attached handout was reviewed which shows the primary, local and bridge programs tentatively planned for 2014. As mentioned previously, these programs are subject to change dependent on the winter maintenance costs.
6. No updates were available on the M-231 project, as things are progressing as planned.
7. Site Distance/Clear Vision Areas - road commission staff answered some questions of Commissioner Dis-selkoen regarding the standards followed when designing their road projects.

[Click here](#) to view related documents passed out at the meeting.

LONELY PLANET RANKS WEST MICHIGAN TOP TRAVEL DESTINATION

Lonely Planet, formerly owned by BBC Worldwide and the largest travel guide book publisher in the world, listed Grand Rapids and the Lake Michigan Gold Coast as first on its list of Top 10 U.S. Travel Destinations for 2014. Follow the link to read the article and see what other destinations made the top ten.

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com/usa/michigan/grand-rapids/travel-tips-and-articles/top-10-us-travel-destinations-for-2014>

COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP WITH WEST MICHIGAN LAKESHORE ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

Addie Hambley, Environmental Health Manager, sent this article (see below) to me in mid-December and I didn't send out a December Digest and lost track of this. I'm including it today because I think it represents good government at its best when we can develop meaningful partnerships with others, in this case the business community. Mr. Dale Zahn, Executive Director of the West Michigan Lakeshore Association of Realtors contacted me over a year ago and presented me with significant concerns about how the real estate inspection process was being conducted. Public Health Officer Lisa Stefanovsky and Environmental Health Manager Addie Hambley responded by forming a work group with representation from the realtors and the resulting collaboration reinforced the need for some procedures for the realtors and resulted in changes in procedures in some cases by the Health Department. The best outcome of the process might be the new brochure that County and realtors put together and you can view it by following this link.

The Holland Sentinel 12/06/2013, Page C05

Dale P. Zahn Chief Executive Officer At West Michigan Lakeshore Association of REALTORS

Well over a year ago, REALTORS and members of the public alike, approached The Voice For Real Estate along the Lakeshore with concerns relative to rules, regulations and in many cases misunderstandings with the Ottawa County Health Department standards as related to inspections of Well and Septic systems. Buyers were often scared away from the idea of purchasing a home with a well or septic system. Some home sales were allegedly being lost, and sellers were upset to learn they had a well or a septic system that was not up to current code and required immediate attention. After informal meetings between the County Administrator and WMLAR leadership, a special task force was formed that involved REALTORS, mortgage lenders and the Health Department to discuss issues and ways to effectuate a stronger, more meaningful relationship.

Many hours were spent and meetings held and eventually the County tweaked its direction in the handling of Well and Septic Inspections in a way that benefitted home buyers, homeowners and organized real estate. The end result is a nicely prepared full color brochure produced by the Ottawa County Health Department titled, "Environmental Health - Homeowners Guide". It's a wonderful brochure that every homeowner and potential buyer of a home involving a well and septic system should have in their hands. The brochures are available at no charge from REALTORS in the area, at WMLAR headquarters in Grand Haven, from the County Health Department, and in electronic form on the website of the REALTOR Association, at www.wmlar.com.

This brochure explains in easy to understand terms why Family Health Matters in the first place, and how the Department of Public Health helps homeowners and their families live better, longer and healthier lives. The vision is "Healthy People". This should make sense to all homeowners and REALTORS alike.

Transition from one location to another can be a challenge. The Real Estate Transfer Evaluation Program is clearly and simply explained. It also details how to submit an application and the amount of time necessary to process the

evaluation. Next is a page dedicated to how to read a Evaluation Report and the 4 rating categories used to describe current well and septic system conditions. The 4 categories are: Acceptable, Acceptable/ Substantial Conformance, Unacceptable/ Non-conformance or failure, and Undetermined. To make things more clear, the new brochure explains the difference between "Recommended" and "Required" replacement of systems.

What follows is how and why water system evaluations are important to public health, and how to protect your water. Then, a section on Wastewater Dispersal systems and evaluations. Simply put, it's about septic fields and tanks, along with how to identify failures and some "Do's" and "Dont's" that pertain to these systems Included is contact information, a listing of additional Public Health Services and a Home Service Log.

The West Michigan Lakeshore Association of REALTORS is pleased to have played a role in the work that led to the County's creation of this brochure and to help make them available to the public.

Working together, for the good of private property rights and the good health of County residents, is just one more thing we can be thankful for.

WMLAR President Elected As State Director!

REALTOR, Gordon Naumoff, the 2012-13 President of the West Michigan Lakeshore Association of REALTORS may be winding down his tenure as the leader of the Voice For Real Estate along the Lakeshore, but his involvement in organized real estate has not slowed a bit. Naumoff was elected as District 2 Director of the Michigan Association of REALTORS. Official swearing in ceremonies were set for this week but have been moved to shortly after the first of the year.

Naumoff, the Business Development Director for Coldwell Banker Woodland-Schmidt, was elected in September for a two-year term that begins in January. The position gives him a seat on the State Association's Board of Directors and he will represent REALTORS in the geographic area that mirrors U.S.

Congressional District 2. Gordon and his wife Sharon are residents of Ferrysburg. REALTOR Association CEO, Dale Zahn commented, "We're delighted that one of our own, Gordon Naumoff, has been chosen by his peers to serve in this important and prestigious position. He's proven himself to be a outstanding leader and he will be a great addition to the State leadership team."

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LAKESHORE COORDINATING COUNCIL TRANSITIONS

The Lakeshore Coordinating Council (LCC) will host a farewell open house honoring the service Ms. Kori Bissot, who is leaving her most recent post of Executive Director, after many years of excellent service to the group. The open house will be held on February 5, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Grand Haven Community Center.

Mr. Wallace Slatinsky has been appointed as Lakeshore Coordinating Council's new Executive Director. Wallace ("Wally") has been working as one of LCC's Utilization Review Specialists and has substantial experience



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in healthcare supervision, the delivery of services at both inpatient and outpatient substance use disorder treatment settings, including those with dual diagnosis services.

This is of course a year of even greater transition as the LCC and other substance abuse Coordinating Agencies (CA's) will cease to exist in October 2014 when they will be assumed into the new regional CMH system. The LCC – CA will become part of the Lakeshore Regional Entity.

UPJOHN INSTITUTE ECONOMIC UPDATE

Economist George Erickcek of the Upjohn Institute recently gave his annual economic forecast at a West Coast Chamber of Commerce monthly breakfast meeting and provides a similar update for the Grand Haven – Spring Lake – Ferrysburg Chamber of Commerce in Grand Haven as well. The forecast is generally positive and can be found by following this link: <http://www.westcoastchamber.org/news/2014/01/14/default/george-erickcek-s-presentation-available-here/>

M-231 UPDATES

Commissioners asked that we provide the link for M-231 updates as provided by MDOT. Please follow the link to see the latest on this massive undertaking: https://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,4616,7-151-9621_11008-246260--,00.html

OTTAWA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIAL GRADUATES FROM NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Adeline Hambley, Environmental Health Manager with Ottawa County Department of Public Health (OCDPH), along with more than 100 other new and aspiring public health officials from across the nation, graduated December 11, 2013, from the National Association of County and City Health Officials' (NACCHO) *Survive and Thrive: Roadmap for New Local Health Officials* program. The program, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the de Beaumont Foundation, is designed to enhance the skills of top executives at local health departments. Participants in the 12-month program gained practical tools and experiences to help them work with elected officials and community partners, manage strategic planning and health department resources, and discover approaches for addressing challenges unique to local health department leaders.

“By participating in Survive and Thrive, I was able to create valuable connections with other professionals across the nation. This program provided the necessary tools to be a more effective leader at Ottawa County Department of Public Health in order to better help those we serve.” Adeline Hambley, REHS, MBA

“We are proud to have the opportunity to train public health leaders through *Survive and Thrive*,” said NACCHO Executive Director Robert M. Pestronk. “The Affordable Care Act and other factors are making our country’s health climate increasingly complex and competitive. That’s why it is even more important that dedicated public health leaders have the insights and tools they need to grow, flourish, and adapt with the times.”

Since 2008, nearly 190 new and aspiring local health officials have been trained through the *Survive and Thrive* program. Current and retired local health officials with five or more years of experience serve as *Survive and Thrive* coaches. Health Officer Lisa Stefanovsky, M.Ed. with Ottawa County Department of Public Health is a coach in this program. She is committed to help prepare future leaders in public health. Volunteer coaches complement the formal *Survive and Thrive* curriculum by guiding individual development plans, leading discussions about issues important to the program fellows, and reviewing assessments and performance reports.



Pictured from left: Adeline Hambley, Ottawa County, MI; Matt Stefanak, Coach; Sandy Martell, Cook County, IL; Kim Whitmore, City of Cudahy, WI



LOWER GRAND RIVER ORGANIZATION OF WATERSHEDS

Grand River Forum - Spring 2014 follow the link below for more details:

<http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=d1c3697b9c6538b2037266cd4&id=21208dfc49&e=777776cdf6>

GVMC WEEKLY UPDATE (John Weiss)

[Click here](#) for the most recent update.

2014 Brown Bag Lunch Schedule

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Room</u>
Thursday	February 6, 2014	Holland District Court	Training Room
Tuesday	April 15, 2014	Holland District Court	Training Room
Tuesday	July 29, 2014	Holland District Court	Training Room
Tuesday	October 7, 2014	Holland District Court	Training Room
Monday	February 3, 2014	Grand Haven County Building	Jury Assembly Room
Monday	April 21, 2014	Grand Haven County Building	Jury Assembly Room
Monday	July 7, 2014	Grand Haven County Building	Jury Assembly Room
Monday	October 6, 2014	Grand Haven County Building	Jury Assembly Room
Wednesday	February 12, 2014	Community Mental Health	CMH Board Room
Wednesday	April 30, 2014	Community Mental Health	CMH Board Room
Wednesday	July 30, 2014	Community Mental Health	CMH Board Room
Wednesday	October 29, 2014	Community Mental Health	CMH Board Room
Monday	January 27, 2014	Sheriff's Office	EOC Training Room
Monday	April 28, 2014	Sheriff's Office	EOC Training Room
Monday	July 14, 2014	Sheriff's Office	EOC Training Room
Monday	October 27, 2014	Sheriff's Office	EOC Training Room
Tuesday	January 21, 2014	Juvenile Services	Juvenile Services Classroom
Thursday	May 8, 2014	Juvenile Services	Juvenile Services Classroom
Thursday	July 31, 2014	Juvenile Services	Juvenile Services Classroom
Thursday	October 9, 2014	Juvenile Services	Juvenile Services Classroom
Monday	January 20, 2014	Fillmore Administration Complex	Downstairs Lunch Room
Monday	April 14, 2014	Fillmore Administration Complex	Downstairs Lunch Room
Wednesday	July 9, 2014	Fillmore Administration Complex	Downstairs Lunch Room
Monday	October 13, 2014	Fillmore Administration Complex	Downstairs Lunch Room
Friday	February 21, 2014	Public Health Department	Main Conference Room
Wednesday	May 7, 2014	Public Health Department	Main Conference Room
Tuesday	July 15, 2014	Public Health Department	Main Conference Room
Friday	October 3, 2014	Public Health Department	Main Conference Room
Thursday	February 26, 2014	Hudsonville Human Services	Court Conference Room
Friday	May 16, 2014	Hudsonville Human Services	Court Conference Room
Tuesday	August 5, 2014	Hudsonville Human Services	Court Conference Room
Friday	October 17, 2014	Hudsonville Human Services	Court Conference Room

By Al Vanderberg: Brown Bag Luncheons are low-key, informal time for employees to meet and talk with myself; Assistant County Administrator, Keith Van Beek; Human Resources Director, Marcie VerBeek; and other department heads as they are available. The luncheons began in 2005, and provide a valuable time for providing updates, answering questions, and hearing suggestions for improvement. I invite you to attend and share your suggestions, thoughts, and concerns, as well as to discuss current happenings. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (616) 738-4068.

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	ACTUAL WINTER MAINTENANCE COSTS PER SEASON									
	2003/2004	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013
Primary Road	\$869,349	\$769,555	\$700,215	\$1,044,512	\$1,389,506	\$1,365,541	\$970,125	\$1,379,521	\$797,772	\$1,318,376
Local Road	\$1,028,637	\$905,905	\$796,549	\$1,332,194	\$1,732,963	\$1,697,958	\$1,227,839	\$1,580,524	\$693,258	\$1,266,261

	BUDGET	TO DATE	% BUDGET
	2013/2014	01/10/2014	
Primary Road	\$1,200,000	\$873,951	73%
Local Road	\$1,400,000	\$982,194	70%

	BUDGET	TO DATE	% BUDGET
	2013/2014	01/10/2014	
MDOT	\$1,300,000	\$935,948	72%

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

01/15/2014

2014 Primary Road Program

	Primary Road	Project Limits	Township	Bid Date	Miles	Estimate	Engineering	STP	OCRC	Comments
459-494	Bauer Road	24th Avenue to Cottonwood Resurface 24' + 3' Paved Shoulder	Georgetown		1.50	\$675,000	\$33,750	\$369,600	\$339,150	
459-495	Lincoln Street	152nd Avenue to 144th Avenue Resurface 24' + 3' Paved Shoulder	Grand Haven		1.00	\$450,000	\$22,500	\$289,815	\$182,685	
459-496	Cleveland Street	96th Avenue to 48th Avenue Resurface Existing	Polkton		6.10	\$1,550,000	\$77,500	\$975,000	\$652,500	
459-497	96th Avenue	County Line to Adams Street Resurface 24' + 3' Paved Shoulder	Holland/Zeeland		1.00	\$450,000	\$22,500	\$175,000	\$297,500	AC2015 \$93,990
459-499	Ottawa Beach Road	at 144th Avenue Intersection Improvements	Holland/Park		0.10	\$300,000	\$20,000	\$275,000	\$45,000	Safety Funds
459-500	Riley Street	at 136th Avenue West bound Right Turn lane	Holland		0.10	\$119,300	\$10,000	\$73,758	\$55,542	
459-498	Ottawa Beach Road	160th Avenue to 144th Avenue Resurface 44'	Park		2.10	\$950,000	\$47,500	\$0	\$997,500	AC2017 \$750,000
459-489	96th Avenue	Riley Street Intersection Right Turn Lane Improvements	Holland/Zeeland		0.10	\$578,889	\$50,000	\$297,000	\$195,173	Gentex \$136,716
	2014 Cape Seal Program	Various Locations							\$600,000	See Cape Seal Program for Details
	ROW & Other								\$300,000	
Total					12.00	\$5,073,189	\$283,750	\$2,455,173	\$3,665,050	\$3,526,204 - 2014 Budget

2014 Bridge Program

	Bridge Location	Project Limits	Township	Bid Date	Miles	Estimate	Engineering	STP	OCRC	Comments
452-252	Luce Street	over Sand Creek Reconstruct (Replacement)	Tallmadge		0.10	\$1,657,000	\$125,000	\$1,574,150	\$207,850	
	Various Locations	Preventative Maintenance	Various		0.10	\$100,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$105,000	Working
Total					0.20	\$1,757,000	\$130,000	\$1,574,150	\$312,850	\$312,850 - 2014 Budget

2014 Local Road Programs

	Location	Project Limits	Township	Bid Date	Miles	Estimate	Engineering	TWN	OCRC	Comments
Local Paved	Quincy Street	40th Avenue to 24th Avenue	Jamestown		2.00	\$600,000	\$30,000		\$630,000	
Cape Seal	Linden/Luce Street	M-45 to Kenowa Cape Seal Surface 24'	Tallmadge		5.48	\$355,000	\$5,480		\$360,480	
	Quincy Street	144th Avenue to 136th Avenue Cape Seal Surface 20'	Holland		1.02	\$70,000	\$1,020		\$71,020	
	112th Avenue	Lakewood Blvd to New Holland Cape Seal Surface 24'	Holland		3.54	\$235,000	\$3,540		\$238,540	
	64th Avenue	Byron Road to Chicago Drive Cape Seal Surface 30'	Zeeland		1.89	\$155,000	\$1,890		\$156,890	
	Fillmore Street	US-31 to 120th Avenue Cape Seal Surface 24'	GH/Robinson		4.07	\$270,000	\$4,070		\$274,070	
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Seal Coat (Chip Seal)	Pierce Street	78th Avenue to 60th Avenue	Allendale		2.31	\$80,850	\$2,310		\$83,160	
	Pingree Street	68th Avenue west	Allendale		0.75	\$26,250	\$750		\$27,000	
	78th Avenue	M-45 to Buchanan	Allendale		1.01	\$35,350	\$1,010		\$36,360	
	84th Avenue	M-45 to Buchanan	Allendale		1.01	\$35,350	\$1,010		\$36,360	
	Polk Street	120th Avenue to 96th Avenue	Olive		3.02	\$105,700	\$3,020		\$108,720	
	Stanton Street	120th Avenue to 96th Avenue	Olive		3.00	\$105,000	\$3,000		\$108,000	
	New Holland Street	120th Avenue to 96th Avenue	Olive		3.00	\$105,000	\$3,000		\$108,000	
Crack Seal	Crack Seal Program	Primary Road	Various Townships		10.58	\$68,770	\$2,116		\$70,886	
	Crack Seal Program	Local Road	Various Townships		33.43	\$211,135	\$6,686		\$217,821	

Total

76.11

\$2,458,405

\$68,902

\$0

\$1,927,307 \$1,927,307 - 2014 Budget



Recent GVMC Public Presentations

Recently I had the opportunity to participate in public presentations about GVMC and our many activities in the region. The evening that Mayor Jack Poll of Wyoming gave his "State of City Address", I was also on Wyoming's agenda for an update on Grand Valley Metro Council. I appreciate the opportunity to talk about our efforts on the same night that the Mayor expressed his vision for the future of his City.



A few days later, I was the featured speaker for the Bryon Center Chamber of Commerce Luncheon. Over 100 area business leaders attended the event and learned about our many programs and the ways in which we assist local government collaboration and cooperation.

There was a great deal of interest expressed in our transportation, REGIS, environmental and cooperation programs. The Byron Chamber of Commerce was the largest business group thus far to hear about GVMC and our programs.

Special Board Meeting on February 20th

The Center for Michigan is a non-profit, nonpartisan think-and-do tank, that strives to be the state's "Citizenship Company" They will be conducting a special Community Conversation with GVMC Board Members and local government officials at our next meeting. We are pleased to invite **all** local elected and appointed officials from our members to attend this special session. It will be held at Metro Health Hospital from 10:30-11:45 am on February 20th.

GVMC welcomes all our member communities to bring other elected officials and senior staff representatives to attend this special meeting. This Special Meeting provides a unique opportunity for GVMC member communities to provide our opinions on the issues critical to the future of Michigan. Please invite others from your community to attend!



February Luncheon to Focus On Regional Healthcare

Our next Quarterly Luncheon will be held on February 20th at noon. It will be at the Metro Health Conference Center located at the Metro Health Campus in Wyoming Michigan. (M-6 and Byron Center Avenue)



Healthcare is one of the key emerging issues not only our region, but also our state and nation. Michael Faas, President and CEO of Metro Health Hospital and Metro Health Corporation will speak to us about "2014: Healthcare Strategies and the Impact for West Michigan".

Metro Health is an integrated healthcare system including Metro Health Hospital a 208 bed general acute care teaching hospital; 12 neighborhood physician offices located throughout West Michigan; nationally-recognized heart and vascular services; a cancer center developed in partnership with the University of Michigan and many joint ventures with other healthcare providers.

Reservations can be made at our website, gvmc.org or by contacting Gayle at mccrathg@gvmc.org. Tickets are \$25.00 each. If you have a group attending, reserved tables of 8 can be purchased for \$200.