Memorandum

To: Mayor & Members of Council

From: Jon Bisher

Subject: General Information

- Date: February 21, 2014
- 1. CALENDAR
- 2. SAFETY & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE Meeting; Monday, February 24th @6:30 pm
 - a. Approval of Minutes from January 27th meeting
 - b. Schedule of Meetings with Townships
 - c. Review of EMS Costs and Revenues

3. MEETINGS CANCELLED

- a. Finance and Budget Committee
- b. Civil Service Commission
- 4. PARKS & RECREATION BOARD Meeting; Wednesday, February 26th @6:30 pm

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

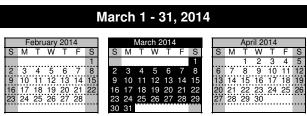
- 1. Enclosed is the Safe Routes To Schools summary and map.
- 2. The attached email was received concerning the Lateral Sewer Repairs Policy.
- 3. **OML Special Announcement:** ODOT's Effort to Acquire Extra Road Salt Hits Roadblock

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Monthly Calendar

March 1 - 31, 2014





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	Committee 7:30 PM Municipal					
	Properties/ED Committee					
	Meeting					
	APPA Conf @ D.C Bisher					
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City of Napoleon, Ohio

Joint Special Meeting

of

Safety & Human Resources Committee

with

Freedom, Napoleon, Harrison Townships & Henry County South Joint Ambulance District

LOCATION: City Hall, 255 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio

Meeting Agenda

Monday, February 24, 2014 at 6:30 PM

- I. Approval of Minutes (In the absence of any objections or corrections, the minutes shall stand approved.)
- II. Scheduling of Meetings with Townships
- III. Review of EMS Costs and Revenues
- IV. Any Other Matters Currently Assigned To Committee

Gregory J. Heath, Clerk/Finance Director

City of Napoleon, Ohio Regular Meeting $_{\rm of}$

Safety & Human Resources Committee <u>Meeting Minutes</u> Monday, January 27, 2014 at 7:30pm

PRESENT	
Committee	Heather Wilson – Chair, Travis Sheaffer (arrived at 7:32pm), Jeffrey Marihugh
City Staff	Robert Bennett, Fire Chief
City Stall	
	Trevor M. Hayberger, Law Director
	Gregory J. Heath, Finance Director/Clerk of Council
	Robert Weitzel, Police Chief
Recorder	Tammy Fein
Others	News Media, Patrick McColley, Jason Maassel
ABSENT	
Members	None
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Call To Order	Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.
Approval of	Minutes of the November 25, 2013 meeting stand approved with no objections or
Minutes	corrections.
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Scheduling Of	Heath reported that there are generally four (4) meetings per year on a quarterly basis
Meetings With	that take place with the Townships, beginning after the EMS run reports are received; the
Townships	Townships receive revenue based on the EMS runs in their territories. Heath
- • · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	recommends inviting the Townships to the February 24 meeting to set the schedule for
	the remaining meetings and to discuss the data from the EMS reports in regard to the
	contracts that have new rates that must be adopted by April 1, 2014; Heath added that he
	would distribute the reports to the Townships. Bisher explained the history of the
	Township contracts, which stipulated the approximate values of property along with the
	number of residents in the different territories, which determined the percentages to be
	paid of the total actual cost by the Townships. Bisher explained the contracts for 2014
	will be based on the actual costs of services to the Townships in 2013.
	Heath restated his recommendation to invite the representatives of the Townships to the
	Heath restated his recommendation to invite the representatives of the Townships to the
	February 24 meeting, which would give them time to implement any necessary items to
	adopt the contract by the April 1, 2014 deadline, and at the meeting to decide with them
	on the remaining meeting dates; Heath added that there could be two (2) meetings per
	year instead of four (4) if the Townships are comfortable with the process; Wilson and
	Marihugh agreed.
Chairperson	Chairperson Wilson left the scheduling of meetings with the Townships on the
Wilson Left	Safety&HR Committee agenda. Heath will distribute the information to the Townships,
Scheduling Of	including a copy of the Ordinance regarding the EMS rates, and the fourth quarter EMS
Meetings With	run revenues; Heath will meet with Law Director Hayberger to create the Strawman
Townships On	Ordinance and the Contract based on the discussion.
Safety& HR	
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Committee Agenda	
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Review Of EMS	Bisher reminded the Committee that the percentages are stipulated, and if recovery areas
Costs And Revenues	are changed at some point, the percentages may need to be reevaluated. Bisher stated the
	Townships make a contribution to the Capital Improvement Fund of 18% and want a
	vote in what types of Capital purchases the City is making.
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	Sheaffer asked how the Fund is holding as compared to the projection of what equipment will be needed; Bisher commended Chief Bennett on the great job he does with the budgeting; Bennett stated that the number of items replaced from that Fund has increased, including the Turn-Out gear which is an \$80,000 item on a ten (10) year replacement cycle, the LifePack cardiac monitors are a \$75,000-\$80,000 item on a ten (10) year replacement cycle, and the airpacks are approximately \$250,000 on a fifteen (15) year replacement cycle. Bennett stated that replacement dates on the rolling fleet have been adjusted, and there have been some scheduled increases in the contributions, with the scheduled increase for this year being delayed, keeping in mind the projected cost of items, the Fire Department budget is in the positive until the ladder truck requires replacement in approximately 2027, which will require a Capital infusion from the General Fund.
	Heath distributed a memo regarding the 2013 approved budget; the actual expenditures including total personal services, and other operational expenses excluding capital; the contract payments to the Townships; and the 2014 approved budget; see attached.
Chairperson Wilson Left Review Of EMS Costs and Revenues on Safety&HR Committee Agenda	Chairperson Wilson left the review of EMS costs and revenues on the Safety & HR Committee agenda to be discussed with the Townships at the February 24 meeting.
Motion To Adjourn	Motion: Marihugh Second: Sheaffer To adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm
Passed Yea-3 Nay-0	Roll call vote on motion: Yea – Wilson, Marihugh, Sheaffer Nay - Heather Wilson, Chair

Memorandum

- Finance & Budget Committee, Council, Mayor, City Manager, City Law Director, City Finance Director, Department Supervisors, Media
 From: Gregory J. Heath, Clerk of Council/Finance Director
- Date: 2/20/2014
- Re: Finance & Budget Committee Meeting Cancellation

The Finance & Budget Committee meeting, regularly scheduled for Monday,

February 24, 2014 at 6:30 PM has been CANCELED due to lack of agenda items.

Memorandum

To:	Civil Service Commission, Council, Mayor, City Manager, City Law Director,
	City Finance Director, Department Supervisors, Media
From:	Gregory J. Heath, Finance Director/Clerk of Council
Date:	2/20/2014
Re:	Civil Service Commission Meeting Cancellation

The regular Civil Service Commission meeting, scheduled for Tuesday,

February 25 at 4:30 PM, has been CANCELED due to lack of agenda items.

City of Napoleon, Ohio

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

LOCATION: City Hall Offices, 255 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 6:30 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Discussion/Action: Dog Park Proposal
- 5. Miscellaneous
- 6. Any other Items to Come Before the Board

Gregory J. Heath, Finance Director/Clerk of Council

City of Napoleon, Ohio PARKS AND RECREATION (P&R) BOARD

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 29, 2014 at 6:30 PM

PRESENT				
Parks & Recreation	Matt Hardy – Chair, Mike Saneholtz, Peg Funchion, Aaron Schnitkey, Joe			
(P&R) Board	Bialorucki, Chad Richardson, Phillip Rausch			
City Staff	Tony Cotter, Parks & Recreation Director			
Recorder	Tammy Fein			
Others	Patrick McColley			
ABSENT	None			
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Call To Order	Recorder Fein called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.			
Swearing In: Rausch	Councilman McColley swore in Board Member Phillip Rausch.			
Election of Board Chair	Fein asked each member by order of seniority to nominate a member for Board			
	Chair:			
	Saneholtz nominated Hardy			
Motion To Elect	Motion: Funchion Second: Schnitkey			
Board Chair	To elect Hardy as Board Chair			
	Funchion passed			
	Hardy passed			
	Richardson passed			
	Schnitkey passed			
	Bialorucki passed			
	Rausch passed			
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Passed	Roll call vote on above motion:			
Yea-7	Yea- Saneholtz, Funchion, Hardy, Richardson, Schnitkey, Bialorucki, Rausch			
Nay- 0	Nay-			
Tray- 0				
Approval Of Minutes	Minutes of the December 18 meeting stand approved with no objections or			
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	concentions.			
Discussion / Action	Cotter reported that he had been approached by many residents requesting a Darks			
Discussion/Action:	Cotter reported that he had been approached by many residents requesting a Parks			
Youth Volleyball	and Rec Department volleyball program for fifth and sixth graders to fill the gap			
Program	for girls not involved in Fall soccer. Councilperson Wilson suggested beginning			
	the program this fall using an open gym format to keep the cost as low as possible.			
	Saneholtz agreed, stating that there is more gym space available in the Fall. Cotter			
	suggested that he could speak with the school custodians regarding the setting up			
	of the equipment needed. Funchion asked if anyone had expressed interest in			
	running the program; Cotter replied not yet, but he would contact the high school			
	junior varsity and varsity coaches. Saneholtz asked if this program could be a			
	coed program as soccer is, Cotter replied that it could be if there's interest;			
	Saneholtz thought that a City sponsored program could not exclude anyone; Cotter			
	agreed stating that the coed soccer program goes through the fourth grade. Rausch			
	stated that the high school girls' volleyball team could help and the seniors are			
	required to do some community service. Function added that the league needs this			
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type of support as the program has been lacking due to the girls learning the basics at a later age than other school districts. Councilperson McColley asked what Fall sports are currently offered; Cotter replied flag football and soccer; McColley added that because there is a sport being offered that is geared more towards the boys, the boys may not have a high interest in volleyball. Hardy stated this program could be run like the basketball program, starting with the basics then moving on to games. Cotter stated this program should not be too hard to begin this Fall; Cotter will speak with the high school coaches, noting that the participation fees that are charged for Parks and Rec programs should cover the expense of the gym and equipment needed for the program.

Motion:SaneholtzSecond:BialoruckiTo direct Cotter to proceed with the youth volleyball program

Roll call vote on above motion: Yea- Saneholtz, Funchion, Hardy, Richardson, Schnitkey, Bialorucki, Rausch Nay-

None

None

None

Bialorucki started working on the Parks and Rec Facebook page and has some questions for Cotter regarding the setup; Cotter added that the City of Napoleon now has a Facebook page. Funchion stated she would like a link on the City's page to the Parks and Rec page. McColley stated that a few posts per week could be done on the City's page, but any more than that should have a separate page. Richardson stated that by the year 2017, Facebook usage will decrease by approximately 80%. Cotter would like to meet with Bialorucki to incorporate the page that has started into the Parks and Rec link to the City's page. Cotter believes it is a good idea to maintain the Parks and Rec webpage and link that information into Facebook; the Board agreed.

None

None

Saneholtz stated that he had been contacted by a Girl Scout troop that was interested in creating a dog park; Cotter stated that he had met with the representatives from the Girl Scout Council, the details of that meeting were discussed at the last Parks and Rec Board meeting, and has another meeting with the representatives on Friday, January 31 to discuss logistics, contractors, and the issues that were encountered the last time this issue was brought to him. McColley stated he had spoken with a representative from the Nature Works Grant regarding a \$15,000 per year, 75% matching grant program for the dog park, adding that Meyerholtz Park is a better location for the dog park than East Riverdowns Park would be. Cotter stated that he had used that grant before for the Oberhaus Park

Motion To Direct Cotter To Proceed With The Youth Volleyball Program

Passed Yea- 7 Nay- 0

Miscellaneous

Schnitkey

Richardson

Rausch

Bialorucki

Hardy

Funchion

Saneholtz

	docks, and knows the grant is based on per capita. McColley added that City Staff labor could be used toward the funds required for the grant. Cotter added that the grant application is due by April 1, 2014, and the Girl Scout representatives would like to come to the February 26 Parks and Rec Board meeting to discuss their presentation. Cotter will mention the grant to the representatives at their Friday meeting. Cotter realizes this would have no upfront cost for the City but is concerned about the perpetual maintenance of the dog park, adding that the City does not own Meyerholtz Park, it is on a fifty (50) year lease from the Department of Wildlife that was signed in 1965, meaning that the lease is up in 2015, though this is a good location for the project and will research this as an option.
Cotter	Cotter distributed a memo regarding the Recreation Fund Balance Summary for the 2013-2014 Budget Years; see attached.
	Saneholtz asked McColley why Council would give the Parks Department the subsidy from the General Fund, though it was projected to be zero; McColley stated that Council does not generally revisit subsidies and because it was listed in the budget, Council regards it as a commitment by Council. McColley added that the playground by the swimming pool is a capital expense that is controlled by Council, so instead the \$25,000 was put into a Reserve Fund created to start saving toward swimming pool repair. Cotter believed this was a good idea, and added that the playground equipment will still be removed, and Cotter will continue to add funds to the created Reserve Fund for swimming pool repair. Funchion asked if the schools were contacted about the equipment; Cotter replied that the administration is aware of the Parks and Rec Department interest in that equipment, and they will be contacted after construction on the new school begins. Cotter stated the Recreation Service Award will be presented on February 14, 2014 and asked any Board member who could attend to contact Cotter as soon as possible.
Any Other Items To Come Before The Board	None
Motion To Adjourn	Motion: Saneholtz Second: Funchion To adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm.
Passed Yea- 7 Nay- 0	Roll call vote on above motion: Yea– Saneholtz, Funchion, Hardy, Richardson, Schnitkey, Bialorucki, Rausch Nay-
Date Approved	Matt Hardy , Chair

CITY OF NAPOLEON, OHIO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS COUNTERMEASURE SUMMARY

Engineer's Estimate of Construction

PROJECT

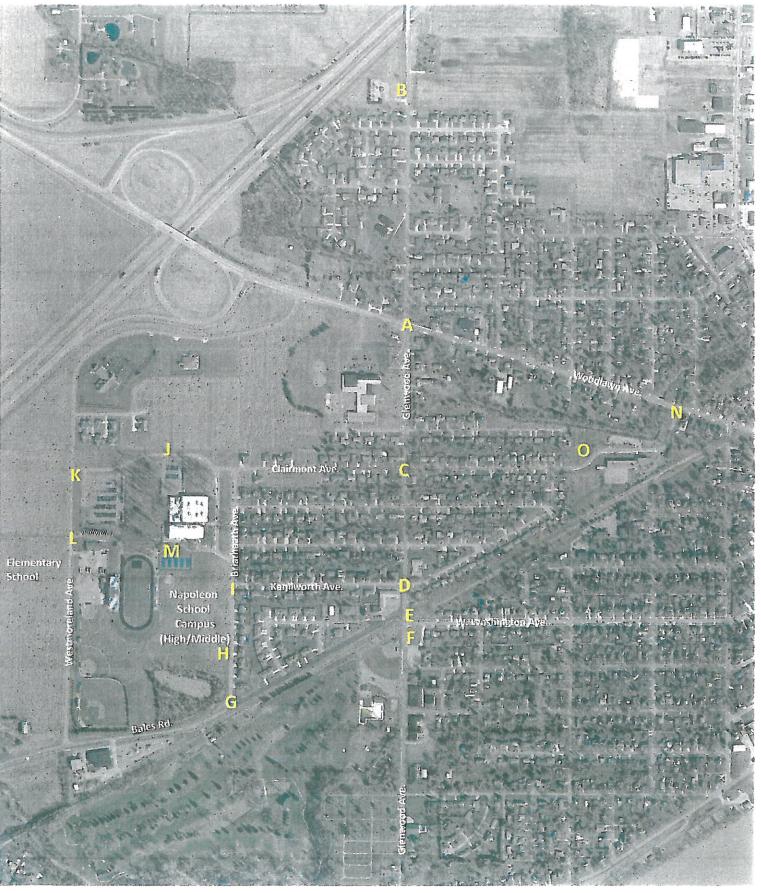
NO. DESCRIPTION

TOTAL

1	A - Sidewalk Extension on Glenwood from Woodlawn to Harmony	\$95,000
2	B - Sidewalk Extension on Glenwood from Harmony to Corp. Limits	\$55,000
3	C - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Glenwood & Clairmont	\$25,000
4	D - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Glenwood & Kenilworth	\$25,000
5	E - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Glenwood & Washington	\$25,000
6	F - Sidewalk Extension on Glenwood Near Washington	\$7,500
7	G - Crosswalk & Signage at Briarheath & Bales	\$2,500
8	H - Sidewalk Extension on Briarheath	\$27,500
9	I - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Briarheath & Kenilworth	\$25,000
10	J - Sidewalk Extension on Clairmont from Briarheath to Westmoreland	\$50,000
11	K - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Westmoreland & Clairmont	\$25,000
12	L - Crosswalk, Signage, & Beacon at Westmoreland & Bus Garage	\$25,000
13	M - Sidewalk Extension on Existing Campus	\$50,000
14	N - Crosswalk & Signage at Woodlawn & Clairmont	\$2,500
		\$440,000

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Napoleon Engineering Department Napoleon, Ohio 01/20/14



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Napoleon Area City Schools Proposed Countermeasures



Fw[2]: Lateral Sewer Repairs Policy

From: "Gregory J Heath" <gheath@napoleonohio.com>

To: "Roxanne Dietrich" <rdietrich@napoleonohio.com>

Per John Helberg, Include in Council Packet for Monday, March 3, 2014.

-----Original Message-----From: "Marilyn J. Palmer" <<u>mjcordy@roadrunner.com</u>> To: <u>jhelberg@napoleonohio.com</u> Date: 02/19/14 20:37 Subject: Lateral Sewer Repairs Policy

February 19, 2014

Scott E. and Marilyn J. Palmer 801 S. Perry St. Napoleon, OH 43545 John Helberg Napoleon City Council President 255 W. Riverview Ave. Napoleon, OH 43545 Dear Mr. Helberg,

According to the Northwest Signal article, "Sewer Talks Continue", on February 18, 2014, City Manager John Bisher presented a revenue model that would create a fund for lateral sewer repairs in place of the current model which makes the entire cost the responsibility of the homeowner. Also discussed was whether the city should charge a deductible of \$2,000 when a repair needs to be performed and how to handle past repairs that have already been entirely paid for by citizens.

We are in support of the revenue model that would create a monthly charge on utility bills to fund future lateral sewer repairs. While we feel this is part of the city infrastructure that should be maintained by the city, we also understand the need to fund these repairs without adding to the city budget expenditures. The most reasonable approach is a flat fee which is equally shared by system users because it cannot be predicted where system breaks will occur and we do not feel a single homeowner should have to bear this cost alone.

With that said, we do not support the \$2,000 deductible proposed to be charged to homeowners who require this repair because this creates an undue hardship that the monthly fee revenue is meant to avoid. According to an Ohio News Connection article, "Report: Nearly half of Ohioans treading water financially" published in the Northwest Signal on February 19, 2014, "more than 44 percent of Ohioans are "liquid asset poor" meaning they have little or no savings to cover emergencies." We feel this reflects the situation of many city residents when you consider the median household income is \$35,762 compared to the state average of \$47,318 (Source: State of the City 2013 by Mayor Behm). With a single lateral sewer repair potentially costing \$10,000, this is an unreasonable hardship for a single homeowner to bear. Additionally, 42.32% of Napoleon City School students are eligible for the free and reduced lunch program according to the State of Ohio Department of Education Office for Child Nutrition (MR 81 Report for October 2013) which further supports an overview of the financial hardship of local citizens.

In regards to the matter of reimbursing residents for past repairs, we have to stand on the fact that reimbursement for retroactive repairs is not in the current budget and was not the policy. If this were a new issue and only affected a couple of residents, then accommodations would be more reasonable. We feel if we would have had to pay out of pocket in the past and the policy changed we would hope for some reimbursement but what is done is done.

Please consider our views on this matter in future discussion and when it comes time to vote for a policy change. With due regard,

Scott E. and Marilyn J. Palmer

Fw: Fwd: Special Information for OML Readers

From: "Gregory J Heath" <gheath@napoleonohio.com>

To: "Roxanne Dietrich" <rdietrich@napoleonohio.com>

02/20/14 09:13 AM

-----Original Message-----From: "Michelle Jordan" <datataxgroup@gmail.com> To: "undisclosed-recipients:"@napoleonohio.com Date: 02/19/2014 05:01 PM Subject: Fwd: Special Information for OML Readers

Dear DATA members:

Please share this with your administration.

Thank you!!

Michelle

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Ohio Municipal League** <<u>kscarrett@omlohio.org</u>> Date: Wed, Feb 19, 2014 at 2:19 PM Subject: Special Information for OML Readers To: datataxgroup@gmail.com



Announcement

Some Special Information for Our Members!

ODOT'S EFFORT TO ACQUIRE EXTRA ROADSALT HITS ROADBLOCK

Last week, league staff attended an information meeting with Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) officials to discuss efforts under way, by the state agency, to purchase approximately 250 tons of Sodium Chloride (a.k.a. road salt) to assist local governments through-out the state who are facing shortages in their reserves of road salt. The first bid made last week for the purchase of the first 150 tons of road salt was not accepted by any companies that manufacture and distribute the currently scarce product.

The plan that had been developed by ODOT was to deliver salt to seven locations across the state, three different times, while the winter conditions continue. Communities would get the needed salt, free of charge, and then would be responsible for replacing the amount used, once their own supplies had been replenished. The sites were to be in Cuyahoga, Medina, Wood, Guernsey, Franklin, Pike and Hamilton counties.

Although the first request for a bid was not successful, ODOT continues to work on alternative plans for assisting cities and villages that face critical shortages in their road treatment resources. We will alert our members if ODOT is successful in securing additional supplies of road salt and if a new plan is put in place.



February 21, 2014



McAlister speaks at Ohio Energy event

Lisa McAlister, AMP Deputy General Counsel FERC/RTO Affairs, participates in a panel discussion at the 18th Annual Ohio Energy Management Conference on Feb. 19. Other featured panelists for "Powering the Future of Ohio's Economy ... Ohio's Electricity Marketplace" were Nicholas Akins, president/CEO of American Electric Power; Anthony Alexander, president/CEO of FirstEnergy Corp.; Lynn Good, president/CEO of Duke Energy Corp.; Samuel Randazzo, general counsel for Industrial Energy Users – Ohio; and Alan Schriber, former chair for Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. The two-day conference was held in Columbus and attended by more than 600 industry professionals. McAlister raised our concerns about RTO matters.

USEPA administrator signals energy efficiency may be used as a credit

By Randy Corbin – assistant vice president for energy policy & sustainability

On Feb. 7, Gina McCarthy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USE-PA) administrator, publicly confirmed that the agency's impending rule on limiting greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) from existing power plants will incent the use of energy efficiency and renewable energy as credits.

In remarks made to a conference organized by the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), McCarthy, an outspoken supporter of energy-efficiency programs, noted that the USEPA has conducted extensive outreach with state air and energy officials (and others) who have been urging the USEPA to set clear guidelines for the states that provide credit for energy efficiency and renewable energy programs. Subsequently, the states would utilize USEPA guidance in the development of the state implementation plans (SIPs) that will serve as a given state's program (when approved

see CREDITS Page 2

OMEGA JV6 interest rate remains under 1 percent

By Maggie Ndovi-Gibbs – financial analyst

Every six months, principal and interest is paid down on the \$9.8 million private placement taken out by Ohio Municipal Energy Generating Agency Joint Venture 6 (OMEGA JV6). Participants of the OMEGA JV6 project received good news on Feb. 18 when the interest rate was reset on Adjustable Rate Revenue Bonds to 0.28 percent effective for the period of Feb. 18, 2014 to Aug. 15, 2014. This is the eleventh consecutive rate reset below 1 percent. This compares to 0.33 percent one year ago and 0.28 percent two years ago.

The interest rate is calculated by taking the Six-Month Municipal Market Data high grade index rate (the MMD Index) plus 15 basis points, or 0.15 percent. The loan agreement requires a payment of \$500,000 semi-annually for principal and interest. If the interest rate is low this means more of the \$500,000 can be used to pay down principal. Although the stated length of the agreement is 15 years, the length will ultimately be determined by interest rate fluctuations over the course of the agreement. With the low rates AMP has received in the past and interest rates remain as favorable, AMP is anticipating paying off the loan sometime during 2015. This is approximately four years earlier than anticipated in the original financing. After the latest principal payment is made, \$977,000 will remain on the loan.

Participants in the OMEGA JV6 Windpower Generation Project include Bowling Green, Wadsworth, Montpelier, Elmore, Napoleon, Cuyahoga Falls, Edgerton, Monroeville, Pioneer and Oberlin. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at <u>mngibbs@amppartners.org</u> or 614.540.0967.

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by the USEPA) to meet the USEPA's limits on greenhouse gas emissions for existing power plants. The USEPA is set to issue the proposed rule by June 1, 2014, and finalize it one year later.

This potential use of energy efficiency as a credit to meet greenhouse gas limits imposed on existing power plants provides an additional reason for members with power supply portfolios containing fossil-fueled generation to consider subscribing to AMP's Efficiency Smart program. Efficiency Smart just completed its first three-year operating cycle and is now recruiting additional subscribers for the 2014-2016 timeframe.

During the 2011-2013 timeframe, Efficiency Smart achieved savings of approximately 121,744 MWh (or 151 percent of the three-year target). Furthermore, all 49 participants in the 2011-2013 timeframe have exceeded their individual savings guarantees for their communities. Program efficiencies have driven the levelized cost of the program down to \$25/MWh for the 2014-2016 timeframe with the subscription cost being \$1.40/MWh.

If you have an interest in learning more about this program, please contact me at <u>rcorbin@amppartners.org</u> or 614.540.0844.

Annual OMEA Legislative Day & Mayors Reception set for Feb. 25

By Michael Beirne - assistant vice president of government affairs & publications

It's not too late to register for the OMEA Legislative Day and Mayors Reception next week, Feb. 25, at the Vern Riffe Center in Columbus.

The afternoon will kick off with a legislative issues briefing from 2:30 to 5 p.m., followed by a reception for



lawmakers from 5 to 7 p.m. The reception provides a great opportunity to educate your lawmakers.

In addition to updates from OMEA staff and counsel, we are pleased to have two guest speakers – State Rep. and Assistant Majority Whip Jim Buchy (R-Greenville) and Sen. Bill Coley (R-Liberty Township).

Your participation in these events helps to provide the foundation for the efforts of the OMEA staff and counsel throughout the year. We hope to see you Tuesday.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at <u>mbeirne@amppartners.org</u> or 614.540.0835.

On Peak (16 hour) prices into AEP/Dayton Hub

Week ending Feb. 21 MON TUE WED THU FRI \$47.00 \$46.25 \$44.50 \$45.75 N/A Week ending Feb. 14 MON TUE WED FRI THU \$98.15 \$198.65 \$111.88 \$55.63 \$49.87 AEP/Dayton 2015 5x16 price as of Feb. 21 - \$40.97 AEP/Dayton 2015 5x16 price as of Feb. 14 - \$40.40

Cold is pushing prices higher

By Craig Kleinhenz – manager of power supply planning

This week saw another very large withdraw of natural gas from storage because of the cold weather. The amount of natural gas in storage is now 40 percent lower than it was this time last year. This combined with more cold weather in the forecast has started to worry the market, pushing prices higher.

For the week, March natural gas prices closed up \$0.84/ MMBtu from last week to finish at \$6.06/MMBtu. April natural gas prices have not seen quite the run up as March as April is currently trading at \$4.86/MMBtu. Next year power prices followed natural gas prices climbing higher this week. 2015 on-peak electric prices climbed \$0.57/ MWh for the week with AD Hub closing at \$40.97/MWh.

AFEC weekly update

By Craig Kleinhenz

AFEC had another very robust production week, even as temperatures started to climb. This was due to Davis Besse being offline for a planned outage, which has alleviated congestion in the region. AFEC saw maximum base production on morning and evening peak hours for Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday. On Sunday through Tuesday the plant was at base maximum levels during the entire day.

Duct burners even saw quite a bit of action this week as they ran a total of 42 hours across Tuesday through Thursday during the on-peak hours and Sunday night. The plant ended the week with an 80 percent load factor (based on 675 MW) and was \$11.12/MWh less than onpeak power prices.



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Pennsylvania membership gathers for AMP Finance & Accounting meeting

By Maggie Ndovi-Gibbs

Ellwood City hosted the Pennsylvania AMP membership on Feb. 20 for an AMP Finance & Accounting Subcommittee meeting.

Dawn Lund, vice president of Utility Financial Solutions, started the meeting off with a discussion on cost of service challenges and solutions. Ted Sobel, with Ramirez & Co. and AMP's financial adviser, then covered a discussion on how to make the best decisions in managing debt in a rising interest rate environment. Sobel was followed by Jeff Klein, with Kensington Capital Advisors and AMP's derivative adviser, who presented on bond proceeds investments. Specifically, Moore covered what the decision process is that AMP must go through when investing bond proceeds and how to maximize the return while still being aware of the arbitrage limitations on earnings.

Following lunch was Dan Hyland, enterprise fraud program director at Huntington National Bank, who discussed cyber fraud and how it could affect municipalities. Chris Deeter, AMP's assistant vice president of finance & member credit compliance, finished out the day with "Financial Soundness: The Economy and your Municipality."

The next Finance & Accounting Subcommittee meeting will be held March 13 in New Martinsville. All interested parties from municipalities are invited. Meeting presentations are pointed to finance staff, municipal management, support staff and elected officials.

Please RSVP to either Joe Regan at jregan2@ amppartners.org or 614.540.6913 or Chris Deeter at cdeeter@amppartners.org or 614.540.0848.

SEPA spotlights public power at Utility Solar Conference

Registration is open for the Solar Electric Power Association's (SEPA) Util-



ity Solar Conference (USC), to be held April 29-30 in Newport Beach, Calif. This year's program will focus on Building a Solar Smart Utility with sessions including "How Public Power and Co-ops Can Meet Their Missions with Solar" and "Solar Cost Trends and the Impact on Utility Programs."

The conference is a place to discover in detail how other utilities are thinking about and acting on solar, and where utilities can learn from experienced peers about new and innovative ways to respond to, manage and utilize solar. SEPA will also be hosting a Solar Tour, with visits to a variety of Southern California sites, and a Solar Procurement Forum focusing on best practices and lessons learned in planning for and procuring solar resources.

Visit <u>www.utilitysolarconference.com</u> for more information and to register. Receive a discounted rate by registering with four or more colleagues. SEPA offers a limited number of scholarships to qualifying electric utility employees who demonstrate a compelling need for assistance to attend the 2014 Utility Solar Conference. Scholarships include complimentary conference registration, with coach airfare/train/mileage and hotel accommodation reimbursed up to a maximum of \$750 following completion of all scholarship requirements.

Calendar

Feb. 25—OMEA Legislative Day and Mayors Reception Vern Riffe Center, Columbus

March 10-12—APPA Legislative Rally *Grand Hyatt, Washington, D.C.*

March 13—AMP Finance & Accounting Subcommittee Meeting New Martinsville, West Virginia

April 4-5—APPA Lineworkers Rodeo Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

April 6-9—APPA Annual Engineering and Operations Technical Conference Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

April 24—AMP Finance & Accounting Subcommittee Meeting *Hamilton, Ohio*

April 29—Advanced Transformer Workshop AMP Headquarters, Columbus

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AMP REQUESTS PROPOSALS

FOR CARBON OFFSETS

- American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) has issued an RFP for voluntary carbon market projects that are capable of generating carbon offsets
- Deadline for proposals is Friday, March 14, 2014, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- Both hard copy and electronic submissions of the proposal are required
- Proposed projects must be located within AMP's sevenstate footprint of Delaware, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia
- Visit www.amppartners.org for more information

Contact Julia Blankenship at 614.540.1111 or jblankenship@amppartners.org

For complete submission requirements visit: http://amppartners.org/pdf/RFP_for_carbon_offsets_FINAL_Feb-7-2014.pdf

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City of Westerville seeks director of public service

The City of Westerville seeks a highly experienced professional to serve as the Director of Public Service. The successful candidate will have a broad background in all aspects public works (street maintenance, water line and sewer line maintenance, cemetery management, fleet procurement and repair, solid waste collection), strong supervisory and communication skills, and should have a commitment to the highest levels of integrity and exceptional customer service. Position reports to the Assistant City manager with overall reporting responsibility to the City Manager.

Required: Bachelor's degree, preferably in Engineering or Civil Engineering, and ten years of progressively responsible managerial experience in government, at least six years of which are at a middle to senior management level.

For a complete job description and to apply, please visit the City of Westerville website at <u>www.westerville.org</u> (see "Jobs" at the top of the page). Only online applications completed at <u>www.westerville.org</u> will accepted.

The deadline for application is 11:59 p.m. March 16, 2014. The City of Westerville is an Equal Opportunity Employer/ADA.

Journeyman lineworker position now open in Jackson Center

The Village of Jackson Center has an immediate opening for an experienced, Journeyman Lineworker position.

Successful candidates will meet the following qualifications: high school diploma or GED, Journeyman Certification or be willing to possess a Journeyman Certification. Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with a Class B endorsement. Mechanical knowledge and knowing how to operate equipment such as: Aerial bucket truck, digger derrick truck, trencher, backhoe, pick-up truck, skid loader, dump truck, chain saw, wood chipper, power tools, twoway radio, climbing spikes.

Employee must follow APPA safety procedures. Employee will be on call 24/7 every other week to respond to outages or problems. Must live or relocate to within a 20 minute radius of the Village of Jackson Center.

This is an inherently hazardous and physically demanding job. Candidate must be willing to work in all kinds of weather conditions.

Position pay scale: Beginning at \$19.61 per hour to \$23.01 per hour (\$40,781.49 annually to \$47,850.42 annually).

Applications available at Village of Jackson Center Administration Office, 122 E.Pike St or on line at <u>www.</u> jacksoncenter.com.

Applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. March 14, 2014. Jackson Center is an equal opportunity employer.

Decommissioned equipment available through Wadsworth

Due to recent implementation of a smart grid system the City of Wadsworth is offering decommissioned equipment at nominal charges for communities who are willing to pick it up. For more information or a complete list of available equipment, please contact Ron Jackson at 330.335.2864 or John Williams at 330.335.2819 with Wadsworth's Electrical Substation Department.

Equipment and miscellaneous materials available include:



- Various relays and controls including but not limited to ABB TPU relays, Basler overcurrent relays, GE reclosing relays, and ElectroSwitch CSR control switches and lockout relays
- Current transformers
- S&C power fuse air flow tester
- Regulator Controls (Siemens, Cooper and GE)
- Various substation style meters and transducers

Lineworker needed in Lodi

The Village of Lodi is accepting applications for the position of Lineperson in the Electrical Utility Department. The Village of Lodi's system consists of 69kV transmission and 4kV & 12kV distribution voltages. Responsibilities include but are not limited to maintenance and construction of all Village owned system facilities.

This work includes being on call for emergencies during evening and weekend hours. Successful applicant will have experience in electrical or line work. Lineman experience is a plus. Applicant must have the ability to climb utility poles, a valid CDL or the ability to obtain one in three months, and a high school diploma or GED. The Village provides an excellent benefit/compensation package.

To apply, send resume with three references to Superintendent of Utilities, PO Box 95, Lodi, OH 44254 or email to <u>lineperson@villageoflodi.com</u>. Resumes will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 28, 2014. Position open until filled. The Village of Lodi is an equal opportunity employer.

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Columbus offers open exam for electric switchboard operator

The City of Columbus Department of Public Utilities is seeking qualified candidates for the Electric Switchboard Operator Trainee position. To apply, one must first take the open competitive examination. Applications may be submitted to the Civil Service Commission by applying online at <u>www.csc.columbus.gov</u> by Feb. 21, 2014. Applicant Tracking is now managed by NEOGOV. If you have submitted a profile in the past, you will have to submit a new one through NEOGOV.

This position is responsible for assisting in power dispatching and will work with electric switchgear operations. To qualify you must have one year of experience in any phase of electrical work. One year of formal classroom training in general principles of electricity may be substituted for the one year of required experience. Must possess a valid driver's license. Salary \$40,019 - \$48,422. Contact The Civil Service Commission at 614.645.8300 with questions. EOE.

Napoleon seeks city manager

The City of Napoleon, Ohio, is currently accepting applications for the position of City Manager. This position is responsible for the administration of the various functions of government as stated in the City Charter supplemented by policies established by City Council. A valid Driver's license is required. This is a full-time position with a starting annual salary of \$75,000 to \$105,000 depending on experience.

The City Manager oversees the Department of Management, and has managing duties including hiring, firing, directing and evaluation of employees, setting rates of pay, determining work techniques, and determining appropriate levels of budgets, personnel, and equipment for the departments.

Successful candidates have demonstrated experience in municipal government in a supervisory or management role. Graduation from a college or university of recognized standing, preferably with an advanced degree in public administration or a related field with considerable experience; or any equivalent combination of leadership and management experience and training that provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities.

Applications and job description may be obtained beginning Feb. 4, 2014 between 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. from the City of Napoleon's Administration Building, 255 W. Riverview, Napoleon, Ohio, 43545 or downloaded from the City of Napoleon's website under Human Resources at www.napoleonohio.com.

A properly completed notarized application must be returned to the above address with a resume and cover letter by 4 p.m. on Feb. 28, 2014 to be considered. Applications submitted without following the above requirements will not be considered for employment. The City of Napoleon is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Oak Harbor seeks village administrator candidates

The Village of Oak Harbor is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Village Administrator. The successful candidate must have a minimum of five years management experience with demonstrated skills in utility operations/public works preferred, leadership and community development and/or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Salary, \$50,000-\$77,500, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

This position oversees 15 fulltime employees and oversees the operations of Village Departments to include Public Works, Wastewater Treatment, Public Power, Zoning; excluding the Fiscal Officer, Income Tax Department and Police Department. See Ohio Revised Code Sections 731.141 and 735.273 for Administrator Powers and Duties. Village residency required within six months of appointment.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, salary history and at least three professional references on or before Feb. 28, 2014 to the Village of Oak Harbor, Attn: Mayor Bill Eberle, PO Box 232, Oak Harbor, OH 43449 or via email at <u>mayor@oakharbor.oh.us</u>. EOE.

Bradner accepts applications for electrical lineworker

The Village of Bradner is accepting applications for a qualified fulltime electrical lineworker position. Candidates must possess a high school diploma, seven years general electrical utilities experience, workable knowledge of transmission, distribution lines and substations, and the ability to respond to necessary field work on a daily and emergency basis. Water and waste water experience is preferred but not necessary.

A valid driver's license is required. Class A CDL with air brake endorsement is required or must be obtained within six months of hire. This position will report to the Utility Superintendent.

Salary commensurate with experience plus an excellent benefits package. Applications and position descriptions are available at the Village offices, located at 130 N. Main St., Bradner, OH 43406 or by contacting the Fiscal Officer at 419.288.2890. Deadline to apply is at the close of business on Feb. 28, 2014. The Village of Bradner is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Schuylkill Haven in need of journeyman electric lineworker

The Borough of Schuylkill Haven is accepting applications for a journeyman electric lineman position.

A complete job description and job application can be obtained by contacting the borough office at 570.385.2841 or by logging on to the Borough's website www.schuylkillhaven.org.

Please submit a completed job application, resume, certifications and three references to: Scott J. Graver, Borough Administrator, Schuylkill Haven Borough Office, 12 W. Main St., Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972.