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Projects. Spring is here and there are a number of projects on the horizon for the City. The waterline project on Walnut Street is winding down. With that project being completed, we also tackled the issue that we had at the end of Walnut Street with water standing between the north end of Walnut and the Thomas Steel parking lot. Drainage pipe has been put in place to take the water over to the Elm Street holding pond. It should take care of a long-standing issue there. With that project being completed, we will be scheduling the street to be repaved.

Central Park. Through a generous donation from Croghan Bank, the building for Central Park has been ordered. Over the next month or so, electric conduit and a watering system will be put in place. The Central Park Committee is working to secure grants and donations to help install restrooms in the old maintenance building in the park. There are already a number of events scheduled for the park including the Flags of Honor ceremony for the fallen veterans from Ohio in the War on Terror. In late June, during the Community Days Ceremony, over 400 flags will be placed in the park by the relatives and representatives of those fallen warriors.

Bike Trail. Work on the new bike trail should be started this summer with a completion date in 2016. The present bike trail that terminates on CR 177 will be extended down CR 177 to Main Street, along the south side of Main Street to the former KFC, and then widening the sidewalk along Main Street to South West Street. It will run along South West Street up over the rail overpass to Cherry Boulevard out to the Recreation Center. From there, it will run along Monroe Street, out to Bauer Road, where it will meet up with the trail to Monroeville.



Compost Site. The Compost Site is open and Barnes will be using the same schedule as last year 8AM – 6PM Mon., Thurs. and Fri.; 8AM – 5PM on Sat.; and 10AM – 4PM on Sunday. The same schedule for the dumpsters, the second and fourth weekend of the month, the dumpsters will be there for you to place your unwanted material. (No paint, tires or appliances with refrigerant in them). Don't forget to bring your driver's license, your ticket to get in. Understand that the City has contracted with Barnes to run the facility for a number of reasons. One, it is a cost savings to the City of some \$15,000 to \$20,000 compared to when we were running it ourselves. Secondly, the EPA was requiring that the City obtain a permit to run the facility. The permit presented a number of reporting and compliance issues. Barnes is operating the facility under their permit, as a satellite facility, which relieves the City of any permitting and compliance to the EPA.

Water. As you know, this winter, we had an issue with Geosmin Algae. This is a Blue-Green Algae that causes taste and odor problems in drinking water. Reservoirs 1 and 2 were hit pretty hard and we have taken those reservoirs off line while we continue to treat them. We have purchased a new 8" pump and are presently using it to pump up Reservoir 4 while the spring rains provide enough runoff to pump.

Zoning Codes. Our zoning codes have been updated and a copy will be posted on the website. Most of the changes had to do with just bringing our old codes into the 21st century. We are presently working with a firm that will be able to handle our permits on line. They will also be able to handle the permitting and code enforcement for commercial permits in Bellevue. The process should speed up the commercial permitting and inspections.