

SwiftReach– July 10 2020 (#18) Final

PLEASE STAND BY FOR THE JULY 10TH MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR.

GOOD EVENING. THIS IS YOUR MAYOR GREG KURTZ.

I HOPE YOU HAD AN EXCELLENT INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY. WE NEEDED SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE, DIDN'T WE?

FOR MONTHS REGULAR ACTIVITIES HAVE GROUND TO A HALT.

STAY-AT-HOME ORDERS, MODIFIED BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND CARRY-OUT RESTAURANT SERVICE HELP TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE VIRUS – BUT IT IS NOT OVER.

UNLIKE OTHER STATES, OHIO HAS AVOIDED A SPIKE OF NEW CORONAVIRUS CASES– LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY. I URGE YOU TO FOLLOW THE GOVERNOR'S ORDER AND WEAR A MASK WHEN YOU ARE INSIDE A PUBLIC BUILDING OR WHEN YOU ARE OUTSIDE AND UNABLE TO SOCIALLY DISTANCE.

MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN SPENDING TIME CLEANING OUT GARAGES, ATTICS, AND BASEMENTS. I KNOW BECAUSE OUR SERVICE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN **INCREDIBLY** BUSY.

IT IS NO DIFFERENT AT CITY HALL. EVERYONE HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO KEEP UP WITH THE EVOLVING PANDEMIC GUIDELINES **AND** PLANING FOR THE FUTURE.

WE ARE ALSO WORKING ON MANY PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED 2020 PROJECTS.

YOU HAVE PROBABLY SEEN CITY CREWS WORKING ON ROAD REPAIRS. ENGINEERING IS WORKING ON THE INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS ON HILLSIDE ROAD. AND WE HAVE STARTED THE PROCESS OF UPGRADING TECHNOLOGIES IN CITY BUILDINGS TO MAKE THEM MORE SECURE AND EFFICIENT.

THE CITY IS ALSO STEPPING UP ENFORCEMENT OF THE CITY BUILDING CODE. WE HAVE HAD NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS ABOUT "UNSIGHTLY" PROPERTY. WE WILL BE WORKING WITH RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS VIOLATIONS. IT IS LONG OVERDUE.

I AM SO PROUD OF HOW THE CITY COUNCIL, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND STAFF ARE WORKING COLLABORATIVELY TO SERVE THE RESIDENTS. AND I APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT RESIDENTS HAVE SHOWN ME FOR THE PROGRESS WE ARE MAKING IN THIS UNUSUAL YEAR.

UNTIL NEXT WEEK, BE KIND TO OTHERS AND YOURSELF AND GOD BLESS.