

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 27, 2021

TO: Ellis Mitchell

FROM: Eric Kamps, EIT

RE: City of Benton Harbor Construction Project Updates

### **Pipestone Street Corridor Reconstruction Project**

Construction on the Pipestone Corridor Project Phase 3 continued the past week. Along Wall Street, Kalin Construction worked on paving the base course asphalt from Pipestone Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Kalin also worked on final grading the roadway along Michigan Street with the final aggregate base being fully placed and compacted to the required density.

Next week, Kalin plans to pave the base course asphalt on Michigan Street on Monday and Tuesday. They also plan to mill the pavement from Vineyard Ave to Britain Ave and pave top course asphalt from Market Street to Britain Ave. During the milling and paving operations, traffic through the areas will be limited. The contractor is also planning to remove and replace the concrete to the Library and Fire Department access driveway. Once complete with the concrete, they will continue to complete the restoration within the project limits. The project is scheduled to be completed soon



### **Clay Street Water Main Replacement Project**



Construction on the Clay Street Water Main Replacement project continued this week. Along Clay Street, between Pipestone Street and Monroe Street, B&Z Company, Inc worked on removing the pavement and sidewalk within the limits to allow for the placement of the new water main. As areas were removed, the contractor worked on placing the new main from Pipestone Street to Monroe Street. After placing the new water main, the trench was backfilled and compacted.

Next week, B&Z plans to complete the removals within the project limits and complete the remaining water main placement. After the water main placement is complete, the contractor will begin testing and chlorinating the new main. Once testing has been completed, new services will be installed, followed by storm sewer improvements.

### **Water Tower Rehabilitation Project**

Seven Brothers Painting has continued work on the water tower rehabilitation project. The exterior top coat has been applied to all surfaces below the balcony. The stripe coating has been applied to sharp edges and welds in the wet interior and is complete. Seven Brothers Painting has applied the sidewall topcoat and logos. The contractor is waiting for delivery of the exterior finish coat for the roof surface and the rest of the wet interior top coat. The delay is being caused by the manufacturers supply chain issues. The rest of the wet interior topcoat is scheduled to be delivered today and the exterior finish coating is scheduled for delivery by September 1st. The contractor is also waiting on parts to service their wet interior coating application equipment before applying the topcoat to the wet interior.

Work on the **Northeast Section Reconstructon Project** and the **Maple Street and Vineyard Avenue Reconstruction Project** has been completed. Both project have held walkthroughs to note any issues that need to be resolved and punch-lists have been provided to the contractors. The contractors will continue to address the issues that were noted. Both projects are being finalized and closed out. If something changes on either project, information will be provided. At this time, there will be no further updates on these projects.

As work along projects begin, information will be added to the weekly project update. If you have any project questions or would like to be added to the email list for project updates, please contact Eric Kamps of the project team at [ekamps@abonmarche.com](mailto:ekamps@abonmarche.com) or (269) 926-4556.

