

# Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project

Newsletter No. 1 – March 29, 2018

## Construction Schedule:

Start: March 2018  
Finish: July 2019

## Working Hours:

7am-7pm  
Monday through Friday  
and some Saturdays

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**A-1 Excavating, Inc.**  
Bloomer, WI



## Overview

The City of Ostrander is undertaking a large infrastructure rehabilitation project. The project will include the replacement of all of the sanitary sewer and water mains, replacement of the main sewer pumping station, abandoning and sealing Well No. 1, rehabilitation of Well No. 2, drilling a new Well No. 3, constructing a new well house, and replacing the existing water tower with a new one. In addition to the City's infrastructure needs, Fillmore County has identified the need to reconstruct CSAH 1 (Main Street) and CSAH 3 (Center Street) within Ostrander.

The project will be constructed in two phases. Phase 1 of the project will be constructed in 2018-19. Construction of Phase 2 is pending funding. Phase 1 construction will include:

- Reconstruction of CSAH 1 (Main Street) and CSAH 3 (Center Street) as a concrete roadway
- Sanitary sewer, watermain, and service construction along CSAH 1 and CSAH 3
- Storm sewer construction along CSAH 1 and CSAH 3
- Reconstruction of the sanitary sewer pumping station at the intersection of CSAH 1 and CSAH 3
- Construction of a new Well No. 3 and Well House
- Rehabilitation of Well No. 2
- Abandonment and Sealing of Well No. 1



## Project Timeline

Competitive bids for the work were received on January 24, 2018 and the project was awarded to A-1 Excavating, Inc. from Bloomer, WI on February 6, 2018.

A-1 Excavating, Inc. is currently scheduled to begin work on March 28, 2018. The project will be broken down into 3 Stages as shown on the next page.

A-1 Excavating will begin working on the removal of blacktop, trees, and curb and gutter in Stage 1 (see Map for Staging). They will also start to begin work on the lift station at this time.



## Contacts

Informational newsletters, such as this one, will be mailed to you periodically throughout the project. A project website has also been set up and can be accessed here: [www.bolton-menk.com](http://www.bolton-menk.com), click on "Project websites" under the Client Center, then on "City of Ostrander – Infrastructure Rehabilitation."

If you have questions or concerns at any time, please contact Brian Malm or Steve Vrieze at the phone numbers or emails address listed.



## Construction Staging



## Alert

### Detour and Access

During construction, through traffic on CSAH 1 & CSAH 3 will be detoured to alternate routes. Local traffic will be allowed to enter Ostrander. However, access through the construction zone will be difficult and limited or restricted depending on the construction activity taking place. Local traffic should obey road closed signs and find alternate routes around the active construction zone. At the end of each day, the contractor will be required to provide temporary gravel surfacing to allow local traffic through the construction zone.

Access to driveways will be limited and intermittent during construction, depending on the construction activity taking place. At the end of each day, the contractor will be required to provide temporary gravel surfacing for driveway access. However, direct driveway access may be limited during the day when excavation and other construction activity is occurring adjacent to driveways. In addition, when concrete curb, walk, and driveways are being constructed, access to driveways will be restricted for extended periods, possibly up to 7 days.

Wet weather will also make access difficult for periods of time. If you are concerned about access during construction, or have questions, please contact Steve Vrieze at the phone number listed on the first page.

## **Garbage and Mail**

Garbage and recycling collection will continue on its regular schedule during construction. You should set your garbage and recycling containers out as you normally would. During times when the garbage truck is unable to access the front of your property for any reason, the contractor will label and move them to an accessible location for pickup and return them to you after collection.

Mail delivery will continue during the project. The contractor may elect to set up temporary mail boxes in a centralized location that will be accessible to the postman. You will be notified if your mailbox location will be affected.

## **Disruptions to Sewer and Water Service**

Water and sewer service will mostly be provided at all times. However, planned shut-downs and disruptions will occur. For any anticipated longer shutoff periods, residents will be provided a notice delivered to the front door. Your residence will be connected to a temporary water supply system until the new piping is installed and tested. This may result in a decrease in water pressure.

## **Private Improvements in Right-of-Way**

If you have improvements such as landscaping, retaining walls, shrubs, bushes, flowers, sheds, irrigation systems, etc. in the right-of-way, it is not the contractor's responsibility to work around them. The property owner is responsible for securing these private improvements and moving them if necessary to allow the project to be constructed. Neither the contractor nor City is responsible for damages incurred to private improvements in the right-of-way. Any underground improvements, such as irrigation lines and heads, dog fences, etc., should be located and marked so they are readily visible.



## **Construction Safety**

### **Work Area**

It is very common on these types of projects that area residents (especially children) become quite curious about the work the Contractor is performing. We ask that you please be respectful of and stay well clear of construction zones. Many hazards and dangers exist from heavy machinery, trenches, loose material, confined spaces, hot asphalt, etc. and often times are not recognizable by the general public. The Contractor has responsibility to ensure safety on the project and within the construction area. Any direction from the Contractor regarding safety must be heeded; likewise if you observe an unsafe condition please report it to the RPR immediately.