

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS OCTOBER 2019

Michigan – Nancy Street Lamp ... After three months of wondering if we would ever get the lamp installed, Consumers Energy came through and had the LED lamp installed on the day promised, which was September 20.

Seawall Failures ... The unusually high lake levels have played havoc on several seawalls along Crescent and elsewhere. We were contacted by a few homeowners who thought the township should take care of the damage. Our standard response became “we are sorry for your loss, but that’s a homeowner problem.” Unfortunately, the damage is not covered by homeowner’s insurance is what we have been told. If the lake freezes this year, like past years, the ice and easterly winds could do additional damage to those seawalls when it thaws. The biggest blowout, for the moment, seems to be between 6th and 7th Streets.

Golf Cart Street Use Regulations ... We were informed by the Arenac County Sheriff that golf carts are not allowed to be driven on streets with posted speeds of 35 mph or more, such as Michigan Ave, so pass the word along.

Mclean Rd. Project Nears Completion ... A recent email from a resident on Mclean states, *“Bob, we are very pleased with Denny [Killingbeck] and his crew! Mclean Rd. Is looking awesome, I never thought I would be so excited about ditching and drainage, but I am!! Thank you for handling this long overdue issue, we greatly appreciate it!”* The township is signing the final work order to have the road graded, stoned and rolled to the tune of \$20,000.00. The Road Commission charges \$25,000.00/mile and Mclean is .75/mi. All our costs combined for this project is \$68,130.00 which included removal of about 80 trees, stump removal, ditching on both sides of the road, install 15 driveway culverts and three drain-

tubes under the roadway to move the water from the north ditch to the south ditch and into the county drain, exiting at Saginaw Bay eventually.

Water Meter Update ... I'll be rejoining the Water Authority this month and will provide an update in next month's comments regarding meter replacements.

Final Comments ... *It is often easier to become outraged by injustice half a world away than by oppression and discrimination half a block from home. Carl T. Rowan*

*Give to every human being every right that you claim for yourself.
Robert Ingersoll*