

ODOT, Galion city, residents and businesses get answers to the State Route 598/61 widening project

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ODOT personnel met with city officials, Business owners and residents in an open-house-style session to share preliminary information on the 598 widening project Wednesday, Nov. 30. Members of the community expressed concerns about rights of way, access and changes in traffic. Plans presented are not finished and comments from the public will be used to refine them.

So far, cost estimates for the 2-year project have gone down, but costs are not set in stone since the project is not on the schedule to begin until the spring of 2014.

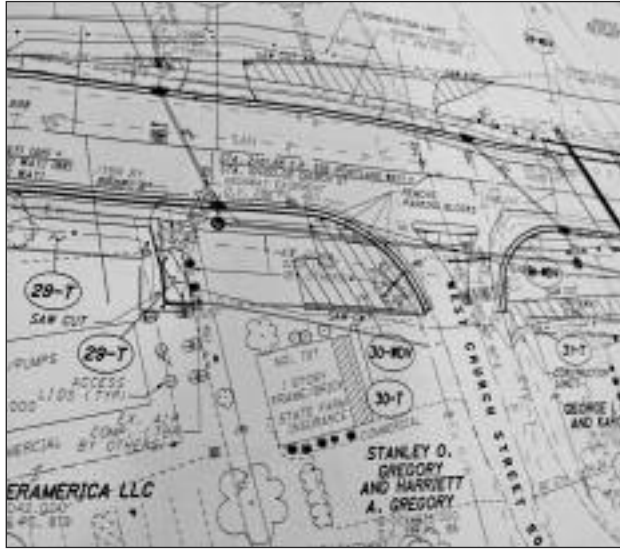
First, the north side of Portland Way from the intersection to Heise Park Lane, including the bridge, will be rebuilt, taking about a year to complete. Access to all businesses will remain as well as access to residences. The bridge will also remain open as one lane will be built at a time.

The second phase involves residences, a church and the hospital properties from the intersection to Grove Avenue.

State Route 598 will be widened from two lanes to three. Temporary rights of way will remain in place until the project is finished, when the rights of way will be given back to the prop-



Staff of ODOT, members of the community and city personnel met Wednesday evening, Nov. 30, to discuss the preliminary plans for the 598 widening project, set to begin the spring of 2014. (Inquirer photos/Rachel Mendell)



This map shows a possible new routing for West Church Street. Plans for the Portland Way widening project will be reworked before construction begins.

erty owners with the exception of what was needed for the new construction. Some utility poles will be moved back, some property owners will permanently lose part of their property to the new lane (This

property will be purchased by ODOT). No work will be done to the intersection of Harding Way and Portland Way.

Do you have a business mentor?

By John A. Lizotte
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Last week I travelled more than three hours to meet with a very successful businessman whom I'd never met. His business is publishing how-to guides. Just one of his books has sold over 1.6 million copies ... at \$12.95 per copy. Do the math. This guy knows what he's doing.

The week before, as I was researching some new directions for my own business, someone mentioned this gentleman's name and success. I decided to call him. He's never heard of me. He has no idea who I am.

I called and introduced myself. I told him I might be in his area within the next week or two, and asked if he'd be willing to give me some feedback on some new business ideas I had that were similar to what he was doing with his business. To my complete shock, he was very willing to meet with me, and he offered to spend as much time with me as I needed. (Thank you, Pete!)

I spent several hours talking to him about my ideas, and asking about his methods for success. When I left, I had pages of notes and more ideas and advice running through my head than I could have imagined. I was very grateful for his time and assistance, and felt lucky that he was willing to share his knowledge and experience with me.

So, why am I telling you this? Because there's a few lessons that you can take away from it.

Have the confidence to make that phone call if you identify someone that can help you. Don't be afraid to ask for advice! At best, you'll get some incred-



ibly good insight that might put your business on the right track. At worst, they say "no" and you're no worse off than if you never called. You have absolutely nothing to lose, and everything to gain.

Be willing to help others when you can. On the flip-side of making that phone call to ask for help, what happens when you receive that phone call or email asking for your advice? If it doesn't cost you anything but your time, why not help them? Karma comes around. If you help someone, they will remember it. They'll come back to help you with referrals or whatever they can when the time is right.

You can't get better advice or instruction than from someone who is already wildly successful at what they are doing. They've been there, done that, and they already know what works and what doesn't. Don't waste your money on some so-called internet guru's make-a-million-dollars-overnight course. Don't follow the latest buzz words. Social media, SEO, etc. all have their place, but they've been incredibly overhyped. Don't follow the parade...lead it.

Pay it forward. If you've been one of my seminars or have been reading my blog for any length of time, you already know that I'm a strong believer in helping people. When I help someone, I always challenge them to pay it forward. If every single one of us helps someone just a little bit, just imagine how much better this world could be. The sum of the help is so much greater than it's parts.

Municipal Court

The following hearings were among those conducted in Crawford County Municipal Court during the week of November 21, 2011:

- Dereck A. Hensley, Bucyrus, resisting arrest, assessed \$119 costs, sentenced to 90 days
- Bryce A. Carroll, Mansfield, possession of marijuana, fined \$150 plus \$114 costs, driving privileges suspended until 5/19/2012
- Lawrence P. Lee Jr., Bucyrus, domestic violence, fined \$250 plus \$98 costs, sentenced to 180 days, no contact with victim ordered
- Darius P. Collins, Marion, OVI, fined \$500 with \$125 suspended plus \$104 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 27 days suspended, driving privileges suspended until 5/3/2012
- Shane A. Bittner, Galion, passing bad check, fined \$300 plus \$460.40 costs, sentenced to 180 days with 180 days suspended, restitution ordered; 2nd charge, passing bad check, fined \$150 plus \$135.97 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, restitution ordered
- Nicholaus P. Davis, Galion, disorderly conduct, fined \$200 plus \$104 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, no contact with other party ordered
- Judy E. Egelston, Galion, disorderly conduct/intoxication, fined \$25; weapons while intoxicated, assessed \$94 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, weapon forfeited
- Jessica L. Brady, Galion, falsification, fined \$50 plus \$103 costs, sentenced to 180

- days with 177 days suspended
- Steven a. Kerst, Crestline, disorderly conduct, fined \$150 plus \$94 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended
- Emily S. Wright, New Washington, petty theft, fined \$50 plus \$94 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended
- Hunter LaChance, Crestline, drug paraphernalia, fined \$50 plus \$94 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended, driving privileges suspended until 5/20/2012; possession of marijuana, fined \$50, driving privileges suspended until 5/20/2012
- Andrea R. Saum, Crestline, wrongful entrustment, fined \$150 plus \$114 costs, sentenced to 10 days with 10 days suspended, vehicle plates impounded for 30 days
- Randall F. Saum, Crestline, failure to reinstate, fined \$250 plus \$114 costs, sentenced to 30 days with 30 days suspended; tail light violation, fined \$20
- Heather K. Fannin, Shelby, speed - 61 in a 45 mph zone, paid \$20 fine plus \$94 costs
- Mindy K. Sheets, Galion, passenger seat belt violation, paid \$20 fine plus \$70 costs
- Sherry A. Walls, Mansfield, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Kenneth A. Salts, Cardington, fictitious plates, fined \$250 with \$125 suspended plus \$94 costs
- Craig A. Courtad,

- Bucyrus, tag/sticker violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Mark D. Hall, Shelby, criminal trespassing, fined \$100 plus \$114 costs, sentenced to 10 days with 10 days suspended
- James E. Davidson, Bucyrus, possession of marijuana, fined \$100 plus \$89 costs, driving privileges suspended until 5/21/2012
- Amanda R. Henderickson, Bucyrus, theft, fined \$150 plus \$94 costs, sentenced to 100 days with 100 days suspended
- Jarrod D. Bennett, Mansfield, speed - 85 in a 65 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$94 costs
- Howard L. Javens, Galion, failure to reinstate, fined \$500 with \$150 suspended plus \$159 costs, sentenced to 90 days with 90 days suspended
- Dustin A. Meyers, Bucyrus, driving under suspension, fined \$200 with \$50 suspended plus \$104 costs
- Karl E. Wedemeyer, Larue, stop sign violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Keith F. Krauter, Marion, failure to transfer plates, assessed \$89 costs
- Stephen R. Shelton, Bucyrus, driving under suspension, fined \$1,000 with \$900 suspended plus \$94 costs; fictitious registration, fined \$100
- Seven contract/note cases were heard. One contract/note case was dismissed because defendants had filed for bankruptcy protection. Eight eviction hearings were conducted, and 19 small claims cases were heard.

Municipal Court

The following area individuals chose to waive their right to a hearing in Crawford County Municipal Court by paying the fines and fees indicated. These items were processed during the week of November 21, 2011.

- Dennis W. Laferty Jr., Tiro, unsecure load, paid \$26 fine plus \$94 costs
- Douglas W. Hicks, Crestline, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Patrick R. Baker, Galion, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Brandi M. Maynard, Crestline, speed - 44 in a 25 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Mary L. Greenwood, Bucyrus, speed - 71 in a 55 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Rusty M. Grau, Bucyrus, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- John P. Ellis, Bucyrus, speed - 70 in a 55 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Amy M. Niedermier, New Washington, failure to move, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Brianna L. Paylor, New Washington, stop sign violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Mickey D. Bloomfield, Marion, speed - 52 in a 35 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Brandon J. Schwemley, Bucyrus, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Craig M. Bloomfield, Bucyrus, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- James F. Oden, Shelby, overload, paid \$133.50 fine plus \$89 costs
- Carol J. Lantz, Galion, speed - 57 in a 35 mph zone, paid \$96 fine plus \$89 costs
- David R. Freed, Shelby, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Brad E. McPeek,

- Bucyrus, passenger seat belt violation, paid \$20 fine plus \$70 costs
- Barbara A. Watson, Mansfield, stop sign violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Douglas M. Stamber, Bucyrus, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Thomas F. Hahn, Bucyrus, no tail lights, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Stacy A. Evans, Tiro, failure to register dog, paid \$76 fine plus \$89 costs
- Christopher G. Barros, Mansfield, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Kristopher A. Rowe, Willard, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Brandon D. Lust, Bucyrus, failure to leave assured clear distance ahead, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Dennis C. Knisely, Bucyrus, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Amy L. Graham, Bucyrus, failure to move, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Vanessa R. Wurm, Galion, speed - 82 in a 65 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs

- Edward J. Spiegel, Nevada, tag/sticker violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Christopher L. Thiel, Mansfield, speed - 68 in a 55 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Katina C. McIntyre, Bucyrus, tag/sticker violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Clayton N. Bates, Marion, speed - 66 in a 55 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Chad M. Pawlikowski, Mansfield, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Daniel L. Gerstenberger, Bucyrus, stop sign violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Alva L. Saunders, Galion, driver seat belt violation, paid \$30 fine plus \$70 costs
- Sarah M. Wurm, New Washington, speed - 56 in a 35 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs
- Morgan A. Bercaw, Crestline, stop sign violation, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Richard D. Harer, Bloomville, time/lights on, paid \$26 fine plus \$89 costs
- Suresh C. Vadada, Mansfield, speed - 55 in a 35 mph zone, paid \$34 fine plus \$89 costs

Family Court

The following actions were filed in the domestic relations division Crawford County Court of Common Pleas during the month of November, 2011:

- Dissolutions**
Ashley Butler, Bucyrus, and Steve Butler, Bucyrus, petitioners
Matthew Carroll

- Johnson, Bucyrus, and Melissa Kristian Johnson, Bucyrus, petitioners
Kristina N. Roshon, Galion, and Jonathan A. Roshon, Millersport, petitioners
Danica J. Ochier-Simonis, Bucyrus, and Richard L. Read, Lima, petitioners

- Divorces**
Regina L. Bibb, Galion, v. Christopher L. Bibb, Galion
Cindy Stauffer, Bucyrus, v. Charles Stauffer, Bucyrus
Alysia Renee Stark, Bucyrus, v. Shawn Alan Start, El Paso, Texas
Jason N. Johnston, Crestline, v. Andrea S. Johnston, Crestline

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