

Hello, neighbors.

Herculaneum city officials on Aug. 16 approved contracts for repair of the Stonewater subdivision lake dam. Work begins this week to clear a path to access the breach and cover exposed pipes that carry the subdivision's water and sewage.



Many of you saw the photo on the left posted on Facebook by Stonewater neighbor Douglass Brown. It shows the exposed pipes. At top center is a second void that exposes one of the pipes. Thanks to Doug for sharing the image.

City officials including administrator Jim Kasten and public works supervisor Mark Johnson, and engineer Carl Vogt

prepared a plan to stabilize the pipes, fill the voids created by floodwater from Joachim Creek and make a stronger barrier against erosion. Details of the plan include hauling rock to the site via the nearby Stinchcomb farm and the dam owned by Liberty Country Club.

Once an access path is cleared, workers will bring in rock to fill under and over the pipes.

This is a priority issue for Herculaneum and for Stonewater HOA trustees. Contract cost of the project is \$55,000.

Under contracts approved by the Herculaneum Board of Aldermen on Aug. 16, Stonewater HOA will pay for 50 percent of the work. Herculaneum pays the rest. Work will be done by Kimes Contracting of Hillsboro. Kimes will create a temporary access road through the adjacent properties, clear vegetation to allow concrete and rock to be moved to the site.

The most substantial part of the project involves two 65-foot walls built along the dam parallel to the water and sewer pipes. These reinforced walls will extend three feet below the level of the sewer line and be 18 inches wide.

Once the walls are built and rock caps the utility lines, Kimes will pour a concrete cap over the project. The cap will be 10 feet wide and have sloping ends to create a permanent spillway. Heavy rock will be placed on both sides of the spillway. This should allow water to flow over the dam without eroding the structure.

Plans call for fill work to be completed in the next two weeks. Concrete work and required excavation is expected to begin in mid-September.

Erosion problems are not new on the dam. This will be the biggest repair project yet, and planners say it should provide a long-term solution.

## Subdivision construction update

All lots in Phase 2 have been sold, and Lindbergh Properties expects to begin sales in Phase 3 next year.



## Some reminders:

- -- Home construction sites are off limits to anyone not authorized access. This is to avoid possible injury of anyone on the lots or in structures under construction, and to help prevent vandalism and theft of materials from the construction sites.
- -- Posted speed limits for all Stonewater streets is 20 mph. This is particularly important on Rolling Stone Boulevard, where numerous complaints have been heard from residents and contractors. In one report, a driver forced a worker to dodge off the street to avoid being hit. Contractors might clog the streets with vehicles and equipment, so it would be

best to avoid using Rolling Stone during work hours. Work continues on Watering Stone and Living Stone homesites as well.

Slow down on Rolling Stone, obey the speed limit and use extra caution in areas where children might be at play or workers are present.

## **Upcoming Herculaneum events**

A car and bike show is scheduled Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to benefit Kade's Playground at Herculaneum City Park. Location: 1232 Commercial Blvd. next to the Herculaneum post office.

An electronics recycling event is scheduled Sept. 11. Time: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.. Location: Herculaneum City Park, 776 Joachim Ave. At the same event, residents can drop off paper, plastic, glass and aluminum cans for recycling.

A "Things that Go" event will be held Sept. 18 at City Park. Hours: 10 a.m.-noon. Hosts are the City of Herculaneum and the Parents as Teachers organization that covers Dunklin R-5 and other county school districts.

The 27th annual Jeffco Fire Engine Rally will be held Sept. 25, held at City Park, 776 Joachim Blvd. The event begins with a parade of fire and EMS equipment starting at St. Pius X High School in Crystal City at 9 a.m. that will work its way to the park.

Details on these events and other information can be found in the Herculaneum City Newsletter via PDF: <a href="http://www.cityofherculaneum.org/Newsletter%20August%202021.pdf">http://www.cityofherculaneum.org/Newsletter%20August%202021.pdf</a>

## Last word

School begins Aug. 25. That means youngsters will be out early for bus transportation. Drive carefully. Do not pass buses when they are loading. Children are irreplaceable.