

It's hard to believe it has been almost a month since I became Mayor of our Village. This month was filled with many meetings, including several over the 2016/17 budget. Over the past fiscal year, our department heads and employees worked hard to keep their budgets in line to save money for the Village. With the unfortunate loss of Worthington Industries (Bernz-O-Matic), we lost 1.2 million dollars in property value. However, with that loss, the Board was able to keep the tax rate increase under 1%.

When I talk to people about Medina's future, I tell them to wait three to five years and you will see positive change for the Village. Pride Pak will be in operation by mid-summer, another major manufacturer will be adding four more lines to their production, and a motel chain has given their letter of intent to build a motel in the Village. The county's Economic Development Agency is (EDA) answering inquiring companies about the Medina Business Park, along with other available buildings several times a month. Some of these companies have sent representatives out to view sites. Our Main Street area and business district will be receiving an infusion of 375 thousand dollars in the form of matching grants which will see more than 500 thousand dollars invested in our historical business district.

Your Village Board is committed to be involved with the Medina Business Association, Orleans County EDA, and the Tourism Committee to create an atmosphere that will entice businesses, residents and visitors to Medina. This Village Matters!

Sincerely,

Mike J. Sidari