Remember what we heard in August this year...."I am never going to complain about the cold again!" Already we are hearing...."I am never going to complain about the heat again!" I guess we just have to realize where we live and one of our favorite pass times is complaining about our weather. It's funny how we do enjoy all four seasons.

We have had a busy year around the Village with several projects in several stages of progress. The rehab work on the water storage tank is almost finished with the installation of new pumps in the next couple of months. This project will extend the life of the tank by 25 years. The upgrades on the sewer plant will also be complete in the next couple of months as well. These upgrades will enable the plant to accept more waste for future growth in the Village and surrounding area. The DPW has worked hard throughout the summer and fall in a shared service project installing water and sewer lines in the Business Park.

We have started a major energy efficiency project in the Village. This includes updating heating and cooling systems in City Hall, energy efficient lights installed throughout Village buildings, as well as new radiant heating in the DPW garage. New decorative LED lights will be installed in the next two weeks replacing those in the business district. We are currently working with National Grid to replace all street lights in the Village with energy efficient LED lights. It is anticipated we will start that project in the spring. Residents should have received notices about our water meter replacement project. If you have called for an appointment or already have had the new meter installed, thank you. If you have not please call to make your appointment.

The Village welcomed the newest manufacturing plant to the Medina Business Park in November. Pride Pak held their ribbon cutting and celebrated the opening of the United States Headquarters in grand fashion. The Village welcomes them to our community and look forward to their future growth with us.

For those who are on Twitter, please follow me, Michael Sidari @mfd213. From time to time I will be tweeting out information about the Village. Hopefully this will help getting out the correct information about happenings in the Village. As we close out 2016, I would like to thank all our Village employees for the dedication they have serving the residents of Medina. Our employees are some of the most dedicated municipal employees I have worked with.

On behalf of your Village Board I extend our warm wishes for a happy, joyous, and love filled holiday season and the best that 2017 can bring to you and your family.

Michael Sidari Mayor