GLENDALE QUIET ZONE UPDATE: CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN!

You probably have seen the workers and equipment on Sharon and Oak Avenues. You may also have noticed the multi-colored road markings for utility lines. It all means that, nearly two years after Council approved the Quiet Zone project and the Village raised the money for its share of the costs, the work has finally begun.

Recently, the Village met with representatives from the Ohio Rail Development Commission and CSX to be sure everyone knew their responsibilities. It was a very positive meeting and everyone had a can-do attitude!

The main job will be installing new gates at Sharon and Oak Avenues. That will require a lot of digging and new wiring. The Village's main job is to install detectors in the pavement around and between the gates to make sure that cars on the tracks are not trapped when a train is approaching.

We are asking all of our residents to be patient. Sometimes Sharon and Oak will be reduced to one lane, although not at the same time. We will give as much notice as possible of these lane changes to allow residents to plan for alternative routes. Albion will be closed in early July to allow for necessary wiring changes.

There is no firm deadline for completing construction, but the contractors are expecting to be done in a few months. Once the construction is done, there is a one-month notification period to allow the railroads to inform their engineers that Glendale is a Quiet Zone and they should not sound their horns when going through the Village (except in emergencies).