

Dear Editor,

I would like to be very realistic about the canal situation. Please, at your leisure go to Cleveland or Clime Street bridge and just study the entire picture. The canal and landscape have become grown over and ignored. Now the talk is possible sink holes, smell, trash depositing in the canal, maintenance and lets not forget the green slime of past years. Allow all land owners along the canal to purchase land to extend their lots into what is now the canal. You take that money and tile the canal (like the parking lot behind main) from city limits south to the rail road tracks. I do realize it would be a costly venture and the land sale would not fund the entirety, details to be worked on. The two bridges could be removed and all of the above problems are gone! To those wanting to preserve history, take a page from the city of Saint Marys and focus on just part of the canal. It would be a lot easier to fix up from the tracks to Second Street rather than all of the canal. You can't move forward by looking back!

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