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TRUSTEE MEETINGS
1st Tuesday -
9:00 a.m. Work Session
11:00 a.m. Trustees Meeting
3rd Tuesday -
6:30 p.m. Work session
7:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting



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TRUSTEE NOTES

Congratulations!!

We wish to congratulate Lt. Arthur P. Lagerstedt, Robert J. Vencil and William H. Whalen, three Painesville Township Firefighters who received the 2011 Jorge Medina Distinguished Service Award presented by the Lake County Blue Coats for their performance above the call of duty on a fire call in the City of Painesville.

Summertime Concerns:

As we enter in to the 2012 summer season, a few concerns always seem to arise regarding the Township's Noise Ordinance. The following are only a few excerpts from the full text –the complete copy of the Ordinance can be accessed through the Township's website (www.painesvilletwp.com):

"The following acts and the causing or permitted thereof, are declared to be in violation of the [Noise Ordinance] Resolution:

Air Conditioners: Maintaining any refrigeration machinery or air conditioning, consisting of air compressors or rotating or reciprocating machinery, in such a manner as to create a noise disturbance across a residential real property boundary.

Construction: Operating or permitting the operation of any tools or equipment used in construction, drilling or demolition work between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. such that the sound there from creates a noise disturbance across a residential real property boundary, except for emergency work of public service utilities or by special variance. This paragraph shall not apply to the use of domestic power tools.

Domestic Power Tools: Operating or permitting the operation of any mechanically powered saw, drill, sander, grinder, lawn or garden tool, lawnmower, or other similar device used outdoors, other than powered snow removal equipment, outdoors between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., or on Saturday or Sunday before the hour of 8:00 a.m.

Powered Model Vehicles: Operating or permitting the operation of a powered model vehicle or vehicles so as to create a noise disturbance across a residential real property boundary or in a public space between the hours of 11:00 pm and 7:00 am"

These are only a few excerpts from the Ordinance – Please visit the Township's website for the full text and please remember to always practice being a good neighbor.

Open Burning:

Residents have requested information regarding the Lake County General Health District's policy on Open Burning. The following is only an excerpt – Please contact the Lake County General Health District at (440) 350-2543 for a complete copy of this policy.

Permitted burning includes:

- cooking for human consumption (barbecues, campfires, cookouts);
- heating tar;
- welding and acetylene torches;
- smudge pots and similar occupational needs; and
- heating for warmth of outdoor workers and strikers. Use common sense: use only clean wood and restrict the size of the fire so it can be contained in a 55-gallon drum.

By notifying the Lake County General Health District in advance (440-350-2543), ceremonial fires can be set for limited periods of time. Fires must be limited in size to 5 feet by 5 feet and may not burn for more than three hours

Ohio ATV Laws:

The Ohio Revised Code specifies certain laws that govern the operation of snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycles, ATV's and all-purpose vehicles. These are only a few of the laws that address vehicle operations:

- No riding on limited access highways or freeways or the right-of-ways thereof, except for emergency travel.
- Not on any private property, or in any nursery or planting area, without the permission of the owner or other person having the right to possession of the property.
- Not on any land or waters controlled by the state, except at those locations where a sign has been posted permitting such operations.
- Not on the track or right-of-way of any operating railroad.
- Not during the time from sunset to sunrise, unless displaying lights as required by law.

Please remember that just because a multi-purpose vehicle bears the proper identification and current tags, it does not mean that it is street legal. If you have any additional questions, please contact Township Hall.

TRUSTEE NOTES

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Lake County Health District West Nile Virus Fact Sheet:

West Nile Virus (WNV) is an illness that can be serious. Since 2002, WNV has been found in Ohio in all 88 counties in birds, mosquitoes, humans or horses.

Mosquitoes get WNV when they feed on birds that have WNV. Mosquitoes that have WNV can then spread WNV to humans and other animals when they bite.

WNV is not spread from person to person (touching or kissing a person who has WNV). WNV has been spread through blood transfusions, organ transplants, breastfeeding and even during pregnancy from mother to baby.

There is no specific medicine for WNV and there is no vaccine for humans.

WNV death rates are 3% percent to 15% and are highest in the elderly.

If you find a dead bird, do not handle it with your bare hands. Call the Lake County General Health District at (440) 350-2543 for instructions on reporting and disposing of the dead bird.

In areas where WNV is present, very few mosquitoes have the virus. If a mosquito has WNV, less than 1% of people who get bitten and get WNV will become seriously ill.

Tips for Homeowners:

The best way to protect yourself from WNV is to get rid of places where mosquitoes can lay their eggs to make more mosquitoes. Follow these simple steps:

1. Dispose of tin cans, old tires, buckets, plastic swimming pools that are not being used, plastic covers or other things that can hold water.
2. Make sure that your roof gutters are not clogged. Clean roof gutters in the spring and fall.
3. Clean swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. Use chlorine according to the manufacturer's instructions and keep pools, saunas and hot tubs covered when no one is using them.
4. Empty and change the water in birdbaths, fountains, wading pools, rain barrels and potted trays at least one time every week.
5. Fill or drain puddles, ditches and swampy areas. Get rid of, drain or fill tree holes and stumps with cement.
6. Get rid of standing water from cisterns, cesspools and septic tanks.
7. Get rid of standing water in areas where animals eat.
8. Water your lawn carefully so that water is not standing there for many days.
9. Fix torn screens or get new ones.

It is best to stay indoors from sundown to sunset when mosquitoes are most likely to be around. If you must go outdoors at these times, use insect repellent that have DEET, Picaridin (KBR 3023), Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (PMD), or IR3535. Follow the directions on the package. According to the United States Centers for Disease Control, there have been no reports of problems with pregnant or breastfeeding women using repellents with DEET or Picaridin.

If you are concerned about using repellent products on children you may wish to consult a health care provider for advice or contact the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) through their toll-free number, 1-800-858-7378 or npic.orst.edu.

Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks when you are outdoors, especially from sundown to sunset.

Replace outdoor lights with yellow "bug lights."

For more information contact:

Lake County General Health District
Communicable Disease Department
(440) 350- 2554 • www.lcghd.org



Raccoons and Rabies:

This is always a hot topic at this time of year. Here are six ways to protect yourself and your family:

- Do not feed, touch, or adopt wild animals – be cautious of stray dogs and cats. Rabid animals do not always appear vicious.
- Teach children to leave wildlife alone. Be sure your child knows to tell you if an animal bites or scratches them.
- Have your veterinarian vaccinate your dogs, cats or ferrets against rabies. Keep their vaccinations up-to-date.
- Tightly close garbage cans. Open trash attracts wild or stray animals to your home.
- Feed your pets indoors; never leave pet food outside as it attracts wildlife.
- Call your doctor for advice if an animal bites you, and report the incident to your local health department.

If you have any concerns or questions on rabies, please contact the Rabies Information Line: 1-888-722-4371.

Attention Township Seniors:

The Trustees once again have made a donation to both the Fairport Senior Center and the Painesville Area Senior Citizens Center, which allows Township Seniors to use either of the facilities. For more information contact the respective center as shown below:

Fairport Senior Center 1380 East Street Fairport, Ohio 44077 Phone: 440-354-3674	Painesville Area Senior Citizens Center 85 N. Park Place Painesville, Ohio 44077 Phone: 440-352-8095
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Residents, Show Your Township Pride:

It is to your benefit to identify your place of residency as Painesville Township for tax purposes and for your vehicle license plate fees. We are District #4368.

Vacant and or Abandoned Homes

During this current economic climate we are aware of the increasing amount of vacant and abandoned homes throughout the Township. The Trustees are aware of the impact these type of properties can have on our community and neighborhoods and are committed to holding property owners accountable. So, the Trustees would ask the residents to be the eyes and ears of the Township and report any vacant and or abandoned homes that are becoming a nuisance or a safety hazard. Please use the contact form on our website www.painesvilletwp.com to report an address. Thank You.

A Big THANK YOU!!:

Over the years, many Township residents and businesses have worked very hard to spring-clean and landscape their properties. The Township is grateful to all that help build pride in our community by beautifying their workplaces and their homes.

Metal Recycling - Free Appliance Pick-Up:

For free pick-up and removal of Refrigerators, Stoves, Washers & Dryers, Hot Water Tanks, Microwaves, other appliances, and batteries - Contact (440) 669-7552 for Service.

Note: A Freon disposal fee may apply

ZONING DEPARTMENT

A total of 54 permit applications have been processed as of May 8th.

2012 Zoning Permit Summary

* New Dwellings	8	* Signs	8
* Commercial	0	* Swimming Pools	4
* Industrial	1	* Residential Additions	10
* Zoning Use & Occupancy	12	* Accessory Structures	4
* Alterations	0	* Accessory Use	0
* Fences	6	* Transient Vendor	1

This is almost exactly the same pace as we experienced last year. The outlook is promising for some new commercial development this year. Several preliminary plans are being prepared at this time resulting from consultation with companies who were interested in establishing new retail operations in Painesville Township.

Selling A Home: Painesville Township does not impose a point-of-sale inspection when selling a residential property. An idea that may be worth considering if you are contemplating selling your home would be to gather together any zoning documentation for your property. Prospective buyers may be very appreciative and even impressed if you were prepared to hand over copies of zoning permits for the improvements (decks, fences, sheds etc.) staying with the property. Any variances or special permits issued for your property would be extremely important for a buyer to acquire copies of, since the burden of proof is ultimately on the property owner. You should also be aware that title companies are beginning to regularly make zoning inquiries before closings on property sales.

By The Way: Commercial and industrial property owners may benefit also by making zoning documentation available when selling those properties.

Sign of the times: While signs may be of benefit to individual residents, visitors, businesses, industries and institutions, their value or detriment to the community at large establishes their treatment under zoning law. It is sometimes important to remind both the residential and commercial sectors of the community that there are restrictions and requirements regarding signs. There are very few types of signs which are specifically exempted from permit requirements in Painesville Township. If you are thinking about putting up any type of sign, it would be best to check with the zoning office before putting it up to ensure that you won't be breaking the law. Listed below are a few reminders about certain types of signs:

- Garage Sale/Yard Sale – A residential property owner may display 1 (ONE) sign advertising the sale on the property where the sale is occurring DURING the sale.
- NO signs are permitted within the road right-of-way. The road right-of-way, in most cases, extends inward a distance of 20 feet from the edge of the paved surface of the road.
- NO signs are permitted to be placed on utility poles or trees
- Temporary signs are generally prohibited, regardless of residential or non-residential properties. There are very few exceptions to this prohibition.



CHECK THE ZONING REGULATIONS BEFORE YOU PUT UP A SIGN

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Retirement: Lieutenant John Sutch retired from the Painesville Township Fire Department December 31, 2011 after serving 30 years with the fire department. Lt. Sutch was a second generation township fire department firefighter, his father and brother both served on the department. His father, Robert Sutch worked the first shift of the "new" Painesville Township Fire Department in 1967 when the department started. John started his career with the Grand River Fire Department where he still serves as Assistant Fire Chief. We wish John and Julia many years of healthy and happy retirement.



New Equipment & Grants: We have upgraded the HVAC systems in both station 1 and 2 with high efficiency bay heaters. Due to the mild winter it is hard to appreciate the cost savings at this time.

We have received our new radios purchased with help from a NOPEC grant, in addition to those radios we received radios from First Energy and the Northern Borders Initiative.

Special Services: Doing our Part: The Painesville Township Fire Department supports several special services in Lake County. We have on staff a Bomb technician, a SWAT medic and a Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco & Firearms (BATF) certified Accelerant K9 unit.

- Our bomb technician serves with the Lake County Bomb Squad and is the first firefighter assigned to the squad as a bomb technician.
- We have a special trained paramedic who serves with the Lake County Sheriff's Department SWAT team. His duties involve making entries with the SWAT team to render immediate care to any injured victims or SWAT members.
- Our K9 unit is one of 3 certified ATF accelerant K9 teams in Ohio. The team consists of the dog and a handler. The dog is a Federal asset and can be called to anywhere in the eastern United States. They have been called to over 200 fire scenes in the time we have had the team. They have been involved in 12 arson convictions across Northeast Ohio.

We stay involved with these services to support the good of the greater community, no one police or fire department in our area can support a bomb squad. The squad is made up of members of different organizations across Lake, Geauga and Ashtabula counties. The K9 team supplements the arson teams and taskforces in the area. The SWAT medic serves with the Sheriff's SWAT team as a paramedic they would not have otherwise. Our neighbors have assets that we don't have that they provide to us when needed. We rely on Painesville City, Fairport and Perry Fire departments for boats and river rescue capabilities. We rely on the Mentor Fire Department for a Dive-Rescue team. Different communities take on essential services and specialties to provide for the good of all. We have been sharing these services for many years it is now called regional cooperation...nothing new.

Web Site: Check out the new web site: www.Painesvilletwp.com. We are still working to provide you more information on the Fire Department, how it works and what we do. We intend to have past months call information, current classes, special events, information about our personnel and equipment posted, updated on a regular basis



PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
55 Nye Road
Painesville Twp., Ohio 44077

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 28th – Memorial Day
Township offices will be closed

June 9th – Household Hazardous Waste Collection
9:00 am. to 3:00 pm. at the Lake County Fairgrounds

Acceptable Items: Household Cleaners and Solvents: Thinners, Kerosene, Turpentine, Lighter Fluid, Strippers, Automotive Fluids: Used Motor Oil, Gasoline, Coolants, Antifreeze, Grease, Oil-based Paints, Varnish, Shellacs, Stains, Aerosols, Polyurethanes, Primers, Grout, Liquid/Solid: Pool, Lawn & Garden Chemicals, Pesticides, Weed Killers, Spray Insecticides, Batteries – All Sizes (including lead, acid & household), Fluorescent Bulbs, Photography, “Hobby” Chemicals, Mercury, Empty Propane Tanks, Roofing Tars, Drive Sealers. No Radioactive (Smoke Alarms), Ammunition, Explosives, or Medical Waste. Call (440) 350-2645 for more information.

June 11th – Curbside Brush Pick-Up
From 7:30 am to 3:00 pm
All brush must be tied in bundles not to exceed four feet in length. This collection will be one-pass only. Please have your tied bundles at curbside by 7:30 am

July 4th – Independence Day
Township offices will be closed

The Lake County Fair
August 14th – 19th



ROAD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

2012 Road Repair Program

The following roads will be repaired during the summer construction season (pending the bid process):

- Normandy Drive
- Coventry Drive from Middleton Drive to Normandy Drive
- Cedar Creek Court (partial)

The Overlook Rd. Storm Sewer Replacement project is on schedule for construction this summer. All residents affected by this project will be notified prior to construction.

Curbside Brush Pickup: June 11th from 7:30am until 3:30 pm
(See Details under Dates to Remember)

The Road Service Department employees have attended trench excavation safety training in cooperation with the Concord Township Road Service Department. Employees have also attended a Snow and Ice Technologies Workshop and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Training.

Call Before You Dig: Painesville Township participates in the Ohio Utilities Protection Service “Call Before You Dig” program. If you notice any paint markings or small flags on your property please do not remove them. They may denote underground utilities and the company that placed them will remove them for you. Contact the Road Service Department(440-352-2661) with any questions or concerns. The flag colors represent: Red=Electric, Yellow=Gas, Orange= Communications, Blue=Potable Water and Green=Sewer.

The Road Service Department will be sealing cracks on many Township roads this summer. The crack sealer is made with recycled rubber tires and helps prevent moisture from getting under the pavement. Please use caution when driving through the work zones.