

TRUSTEES

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TRUSTEE MEETINGS

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

Zoning Commission meets the
2nd Monday of every month
BZA meets the 2nd Tuesday
of every month

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TRUSTEE NOTES

The Board of Trustees put on the fifth annual Painesville Township Family Fun Day on August 25. We had great weather for this family-oriented event. This was the highest attended Family Fun Day yet, with over 1,000 people in attendance! As always, Jungle Terry and the Euclid Beach Rocket Car provided great entertainment. Many other attractions and vendors were there to help people enjoy the day. The Trustees would like to thank our sponsors. The generous support of our sponsors enables the Township to make this community celebration free for everyone. Please see a complete list of sponsors in this newsletter. This year we were able to assist two different good causes from part of the proceeds. The Lake County Juvenile Diabetes Walk Family received the proceeds from food sales. The Cruise-In raised money for the family of a two year old child who is battling leukemia.

This is the first year that we displayed Hometown Heroes Banners to honor the men and women who have served our county in the armed forces. A total of 61 families purchased a banner to honor a family member who served. The banners will be removed just after Veteran's Day on November 11. Sponsors of the banners may pick their banner up at Painesville Township Hall, at 55 Nye Road. Please call 440-352-1443 to arrange to pick the banner up by the end of the year. Families who wish to have the Hometown Heroes Banner hung again in 2019 may leave the banners with the Township. The cost for re-hanging banners in 2019 is \$50.00. Details for re-hanging banners will be in the February 2019 newsletter.

Trustees Gabe Cicconetti, Chuck Hillier, Josh Pennock, and Fiscal Officer Michael A. Patriarca say Thank You for your service!

This is the second year that we have recognized residents and businesses that go the extra mile to make their property exceptionally attractive.

The Beautiful Lawn Award winners in 2018 are:

1824 Sansden Court
900 Pebble Beach Cove
480 Nelmar Drive
255 Ridgecrest Drive
28 Wintergreen Hill
98 Overlook Road
6 Lake Road
1014 Hardy Road
95 Fairfield Road
Painesville Country Club
2030 Ridgebury Drive

The Trustees sponsored the fourth annual Resident Document Shredding Day on September 15. The Trustees pay for this service personally in order to provide a way for residents to dispose of their sensitive personal documents. Next year's Resident Document Shredding Day will be held on Saturday, September 14.

Every year the Board of Trustees holds two Trustees Meetings at different locations in the community. We do this to make it easier for residents and business owners to attend a meeting. The October 16 Trustees Meeting will be held at Riverside High School, in the Board Office. The meeting begins at 7:30 pm. Come to the meeting to meet the Trustees, and to participate in your Township's business.

TOWNSHIP NEWS

A new law went into effect on July 2, 2018 that amends the requirements for renewing a Driver's License. Additional forms of identification are now required. You can learn more about the new requirements by looking at the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles website, which is at www.bmv.ohio.gov. Additionally, when people renew their vehicle license plates, taxes are collected and distributed to the State of Ohio, and to the community that the person lives in. It is important to make sure that your address shows that you live in Painesville Township. This assures that your taxes are sent to the Township, and not a neighboring community.

November 6 is Election Day. Please get out and vote! The Board of Elections needs poll workers. If you are interested please call the Board of Elections Office at 440-350-2700.

Mark your calendars for the fourth annual Painesville Township Children's Christmas Party. This year's Christmas Party will have pictures with Santa Claus, children's games, food, crafts, face painting, and the Township's own elf! The Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 8, from 11 am until 2 pm. Santa will be at Fire Station 3 on Hardy Road.

Thank you to our Family Fun Day Sponsors!

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Painesville Elevator Co. Morgan Litho
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

OPEN BURNING IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP

Ohio law limits what and where you can burn openly. Open burning is generally prohibited in Painesville Township with just a few exceptions, or unless a permit has been issued by the Ohio EPA through the Lake County Health Department.

Cooking and recreational fires are allowed without a permit or notification to the fire department. You may have a fire for cooking, warmth, pleasure, ceremonial or similar purposes without notification and/or permission from the Painesville Township Fire Department or the Ohio EPA. These fires are used for the preparation of food or recreation. These fires are restricted to cooking appliances or a small fire pits for a limited duration, typically not more than a couple of hours. These fires should be kept in containers and with flames less than two feet high and should never be left unattended. BBQ grills and very small fires in fully enclosed or approved containers with a chimney may be placed within a reasonable distance to a structure (never closer than 15 feet), provided that it remains on a noncombustible surface and does not pose a fire risk. Restrictions that apply to cooking and residential fires require that residents burn only clean, dry, seasoned firewood and that the fire is no larger than 3 feet in diameter and 3 feet high. The fire may not be used for waste disposal.

By notifying the Lake County General Health District in advance, larger ceremonial fires can be set for limited periods of time. These fires must burn only clean, dry, seasoned firewood and cannot be used for waste disposal. The fire must be no larger than 5 feet in diameter and 5 feet high and burn no longer than 3 hours.

The open burning of plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, grass, shrubbery and leaves are generally not permitted in Painesville Township. Painesville Township does have free yard waste drop off on Wednesdays and Saturdays as well as seasonal curbside pick-up of leaves. For a complete schedule of hours and dates of these services please visit the Painesville Township website. Click on the Service Department tab.

For additional information on the Ohio EPA open burning laws or for inquiries into obtaining an open burning permit, please visit the Lake County General Health District website or contact them at (440) 350-2543.

SCBA GRANT

The Painesville Township Fire Department is sharing a valuable grant with the City of Painesville, Mentor, and Fairport Harbor Village. The communities worked together to apply for a grant from the Department of Homeland Security to obtain a grant to purchase new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs). The SCBAs are used by firefighters when operating in oxygen deficient and other toxic atmospheres, such as those found in structural fires and hazardous materials incidents. The SCBAs protect a firefighter's respiratory system and allow them to work in toxic environments.

The communities will share a grant in the amount of \$564,546. Painesville Township's share of the grant is \$240,000. This will enable the Fire Department to replace 32 SCBA's and three rescue packs. All of the devices being replaced are at the end of their recommended usage period.

ROAD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

THE ROAD LEVY

Painesville Township will have a 1.95 road levy on the ballot in November. Here is information about the levy.

Why do we need a road levy?

The current levy that funds the Road Department was passed in 2007. The Service Department has operated within its budget for as long as possible. The cost of asphalt, concrete, road salt and equipment has risen dramatically. The other major factor that has impacted the Township's budget is the State of Ohio has reduced Painesville Township's tax distribution by over \$1.25 million dollars per year.

These factors have steadily reduced the Service Department's budget to the point that it is unable to operate in the black. For the past three years the Trustees have supplemented the Service Department budget from the General Fund. We have now reached the point where the Service Department budget must be balanced in order to maintain the high level of service that it provides to the residents of Painesville Township.

What has the Township done to control expenses?

The Board of Trustees has been proactive in managing costs to keep our expenses as low as possible. The Trustees review the budget every month. We keep staffing levels at the minimum number of employees needed, we perform the majority of equipment repairs in-house, and we share equipment with other communities to limit the number of items we have to purchase for the Township. In addition the Township applies for an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant every year. Over the past six years the Township has obtained \$954,280 in OPWC grants. The Township has added \$1,909,505 of its own funds to repair and resurface roads. Over the past six years the Township has spent a total of \$2,863,785 to pave 9.6 miles of roads. This means that we have been able to obtain grants to pay for 33% of the cost of road repairs and resurfacing.

The Township maintains a total of 51.43 miles of roads. We have a total of 215 Township roads.

What will the levy be used for?

The need in Painesville Township is to resurface more roads each year in order to keep all of the Township roads in good condition. With our current funding it will take the Township more than 40 years to resurface all of the Township roads. Also, not all roads qualify for the OPWC grant. This levy will enable the Township to continue a vibrant resurfacing program, and enable us to resurface roads that cannot be paid for with the grant.

In addition to road repairs, the Township maintains and repairs storm water sewers, culverts, drainage basins, and certain ditches. The Service Department provides many free services to our residents such as the brush drop off, the

curbside leaf, branch and brush pick up, Christmas tree pick up, and installing drain pipes underneath driveway aprons. Perhaps the most important responsibility of the Service Department is snow plowing and salting our roads.

The Trustees respectfully request that the residents support this important levy. By passing the road levy we will be able to continue to keep our streets in excellent condition, and continue to provide the high level of service that Township residents have always enjoyed.

Trustee Chairman Gabe Cicconetti pointed out that "historically the Township Service Department has done a very good job in maintaining our roads in excellent condition. However, the cuts in state funding, along with increases in material costs, have put the Township in a position where it will take us more than 40 years to resurface all of the Township roads. This is not what our residents want. By passing this levy we can keep our roads in the safe and excellent condition that our residents have come to expect in Painesville Township".

The levy will cost \$68.25 per \$100,000 in property valuation. (19 cents per day.) The levy will raise \$707,523 annually.

The brush, leaf and yard waste drop off area is open on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm, and on Wednesdays from 7:30 am until 3:00 pm. This service is for Painesville Township residents only; yard service contractors are not permitted. Employees from the Service Department will be there to assist you.

LOOKING AHEAD

During the month of NOVEMBER ONLY, the brush and leaf drop off area will open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am until 3:00 pm and also on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

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PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
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DATES TO REMEMBER

TOWNSHIP EVENTS

- October 16** – Trustees Meeting at Riverside High School
- November 17** – Curbside Leaf Pickup
- December 1** – Curbside Leaf Pickup
- December 8** – Children’s Christmas Party

AT THE HISTORY CENTER

- October 18** – Erie & Odd Legends of Lake County
- October 26** – Beggar’s Night
- November 2-3** – Ghost Hunt at Para – X



The Township Hall Meeting Room is now available for non-profit and charitable groups to use free of charge. The room can be reserved by calling Township Hall at 440-352-1443, or sending an email to mmanary@painesvilletwp.com. The room must be reserved a minimum of seven days before the event. Ask for Mike. The room is not available for private parties.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

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Once again there will be two free curbside leaf collections this fall:

Saturday November 17th
Saturday December 1st

Please go to www.painesvilletwp.com for the entire drop off and curbside collections information. Click on the Service Department tab.

We will also have our annual Christmas tree pickup between January 2nd, and January 18th. Please have your tree out by the curb by 7:30 am.

It is not too early for us to be thinking of the winter snow season and we have placed our order for 2000 tons of road salt for the 2018-2019 winter season.

Now is a good time to perform some pre-winter maintenance on your mailbox. Replacing cracked boards, missing screws and stabilizing the post can help your mailbox survive another winter season.

Painesville Township’s trucks proudly displayed our painted snowplows and received the “Best Trucks” trophy in the 2018 Lake County Fair Parade.

In 1979 the Service Department had six full time employees and was responsible for the maintenance, repair and snow removal on 137 roads. We currently have nine full time employees and are responsible for the maintenance, repair and snow removal on 215 roads.