

## 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 Trustees sincerely thank our residents for voting to approve the road levy in November. The passage of this levy will enable us to pave and repair more roads, and allow us to devote resources to correct storm water flooding issues. THANK YOU!

Looking ahead in 2019 the Trustees have been working on plans for road maintenance, correcting storm water flooding issues, energy improvements to our buildings, community events, general problem solving, and improving communication with our residents. We have applied for several grants that will allow us to provide more service to our community in addressing these issues. Here are some of the action items we are working on:

**Road Maintenance.** We have applied for and obtained an OPWC Grant that will pay for 46% of the cost to pave Paradise Road, Orton Road and Hickory Hill Road in the first half of 2019. As a result of the road levy that was recently approved, we will pave Buckeye Road, Fairdale Road, Sycamore Drive, Arden Avenue, and a section of Oakwood Boulevard. (Please see the Service Departments report for more information on how roads are selected for paving.)

**Storm Water Flooding.** Planning is underway to construct a large, regional detention pond in the Northeast section of the Township. The pond will be built on the property of the old Fairway Pines golf course. This detention pond will help drain storm water from an area that is approximately one square mile around it. The pond will be a modern and efficient system to collect storm water and release slowly, thus reducing the flooding that has historically occurred in this part of the Township. The engineering firm Enviroscience has been retained to design the pond and obtain the necessary permits. Due to the lengthy permitting process it is likely that construction will begin in 2020.

**Energy Improvements.** The Trustees applied for an energy improvement grant from NOPEC. The Township has been awarded three grants in the amount of \$50,000 for 2018, 2019 and 2020 each. We are in the process of adding in-

sulation to Township buildings, replacing old furnaces and air conditioners, replacing old lights with LED lighting, and other energy improvements that will reduce our electric and heating costs.

**Community Events.** We are planning for our annual events such as Family Fun Day and the Children's Christmas Party. We are adding three more community events in 2019!

- A St. Patrick's Day Parade. Several years ago three Township residents started an informal parade on St. Patrick's Day that marched on Mentor Avenue. As the parade has grown in popularity, the Trustees have agreed to manage it. Along with the help of a committee from our Fire Department, we will have our inaugural St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 17, at 3:00 p.m. The parade will start at the Fairgrounds and march west to Hellriegel's Inn. We will have our fire trucks, painted snow plows, the Sheriff's Office, the drum section of the Riverside Marching Band, former Township Trustee and Grand Marshall Judge Michael Cicconetti, and more!
- Movie Night. We will have our first family movie night on Saturday, July 13. The movie night will be held at the Lake County History Center.
- Christmas Lighting Contest. We will sponsor our first Christmas Light contest in December.

Information for the Movie Night and the Christmas lighting contest will be released as we get closer to each event.

**General Problem Solving.** The Trustees pledge to continue to be as responsive as we possibly can when issues arise in our Township. An issue that continues to be present in the Northeast section of the Township is odors from businesses and the County Landfill. The Trustees have

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met with the owners of several businesses, and the County Commissioners about the landfill. While a Township is not permitted to pass a resolution that a business may not generate odors from their operations, we continue to meet with all of the parties and are making slow, but measurable progress in reducing the frequency of the odor events.

**Improving Communication.** The Trustees have worked on three initiatives that will make it easier for residents to get information from the Township, and to receive better communication.

- We overhauled the Township website to make it easier for residents and businesses to contact us. We also added a calendar that shows all of the meetings and events that are happening in Painesville Township. Please go to <https://www.painesvilletwp.com/> and take a look.
- We have started an email distribution system to send important information to anyone on our email list. We will use the email notification system to send out occasional emails with valuable information. This will be the first

time we will send our newsletter via email to those on our subscriber list. If you would like to receive emails from the Township please go to our website. There is a box on the main website page to sign up.

- In the near future we will begin posting our Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Commission meeting minutes on our website. This is the next logical step after we began posting the Trustee Meeting minutes on our web-site in 2015.

In 2019 we will again have the Hometown Heroes Banners to honor our veterans. If you would like to have a new Hometown Heroes Banner displayed, or have a banner from 2018 re-hung, please call Township Hall at 440-352-1443, or email [mmanary@painesvilletwp.com](mailto:mmanary@painesvilletwp.com).

Congratulations to John Kotrlik. The Trustees promoted John from Foreman in the Service Department to Assistant Service Director. John has worked for Painesville Township for 16 years. John lives in the Township with his wife Lisa, and their three children.

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT

During a snow event, all public roads maintained by Painesville Township are plowed and salted.

Our crews monitor all hills, dangerous curves and major arteries so that these areas can be treated as needed during the storm.

Residents can assist the snow plowing process in several ways:

- Do not shovel or plow snow into the road
- Keep distance from snowplows
- Keep children away from snowplows and snow piles
- Do not attempt to pass a snowplow
- Do not place your garbage container in the roadway on pickup day

The brush, leaf and yard waste drop-off area will open for the 2019 season on Wednesday April 3rd. The drop off site will be open on Wednesdays from 7:30 am until 3:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm through November.

In 2018, over 5100 residents were served at the drop-off area resulting in 387 dump truck loads of brush and 145 dump truck loads of leaves hauled away. Our crews also picked up 142 Christmas trees in January. The brush and Christmas trees are taken to local nurseries to be recycled.

The annual curbside brush collection will be held on Monday June 10, 2019. All brush must be tied in bundles

not exceeding four feet in length and placed at the curb by 7:30 am on Monday June 10th.

The Service Department will be patching holes as weather permits. You can report potholes by calling 440-352-2661, or use the Township's website to Report a Concern. Please provide a specific location of the pothole. An address, or near a familiar landmark is helpful. Also let us know which lane the pothole is in.

Please be aware that not all roads in Painesville Township are maintained by our Service Department. The Department repairs and paves only the roads that are legally Painesville Township public roads. Main connector roads such as Mentor Avenue, North Ridge Road, Madison Avenue, State Route 84, etc. are repaired and paved by either the County Engineer's Office or ODOT. You can look to see whether a road is a Township, County or State road by going to our website, click the Service Department tab, and then click General Information.

The Township selects which road to pave based on the condition of the road. We evaluate each of our roads in the spring and update our five-year plan. Our approach is a mix of "worst first" and preventative maintenance and repairs to extend the service life of our roadways. Knowing the difference between Township and County or State roads helps explain why some roads are paved before other roads. As always, please feel free to call our Service Department or Township Hall if you have a concern about a road.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## New Accelerant K9

Painesville Township Fire Department is excited to announce it has been awarded its third accelerant K9 from the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). Our Fire Department has been awarded the K-9 based chiefly on the hard work and commitment of the K-9 investigator and handler, Lt. Gordon Thompson. Lt. Thompson has been working with the K-9s daily for over 13 years. In 2006, Lt. Thompson was awarded his first accelerant K-9. The Painesville Township Fire Department entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) to house its first Accelerant Detection Canine (ADC) team. That K-9 Team consisted of Lt. Gordon Thompson and the accelerant K-9, "Tahoe". Together, Lt. Thompson and Tahoe investigated over 450 fire scenes together and helped solve many cases. Their investigations led to the arrest and or conviction of more than 21 suspects in the crime of arson. Tahoe retired from active duty in May 2014.

Upon Tahoe's retirement, Lt. Thompson applied for and was awarded, another Arson Detection K-9 dog. Lt. Thompson and "Ian" worked together for the last 5 years. He has proven to be an exceptional accelerant K9. In one of their first cases they were able to help prove the crime of arson with a \$750,000 fire loss. That case then led to a fraud case with international connections. Our K-9 team has assisted the Ohio Fire Marshal's Office with scene examinations and testing as well as training of new K-9 teams throughout the State of Ohio. Ian has had an amazing career and will be retiring at 7.5 years old. He will continue to live with Lt. Thompson and his family here he will spend his days enjoying his favorite activities, swimming and chasing his favorite tennis ball.

Painesville Township Fire Department and Lt. Gordon Thompson have just been awarded another Accelerant Detection K-9 by the ATF, so that we can continue to provide a K-9 investigation team to local, state and federal agencies. The latest K-9 to join the department as an investigator and team up with Lt. Thompson is "Theo". Theo is a 2.5

year old, male Labrador Retriever. He has been trained and certified by the US Department of Justice Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives as an Accelerant Detection K-9. Before joining the ATF Theo was training to be a guide dog. Lt. Thompson and Theo recently completed their ADC Team certification testing and are ready to go to work investigating fires. You can come and meet Theo and Lt. Thompson at our Family Fun Day in August.



The Fire Department will offer a hands-only CPR training class on Saturday, April 6, at Fire Station Number Three on Hardy Road. The class will be held from 10 am until 2:00 pm. This free class will train people how to administer hands-only CPR in an emergency. It is easy to do, and takes less than 30 minutes to learn.

We also held a Stop the Bleed training class for all of the Administrators and staff at Riverside High School in October. This important training teaches people how to stop a bleeding wound immediately until expert medical help can arrive.

## TOWNSHIP NEWS

The Lake County Landfill now has a drop-off area for recyclable materials. The drop-off is at the front of the landfill on Blase-Nemeth Road. The drop-off accepts the following materials:

Paper • Plastic bottles • Drink cartons • Glass bottles & jars  
Metal cans

The drop-off does not accept

Clothing • Batteries • Plastic bags • Pots & pans

You can learn more about what materials the County Landfill accepts for recycling at [www.rumpke.com](http://www.rumpke.com).

Did you know? Over 75% of Headlands Beach State Park is located in Painesville Township. The beachfront in Painesville Township is the longest stretch of beach in Ohio.

This beach is one of the top 10 beaches in the world for finding beach glass, also known as sea glass, for collectors and hobbyists.

The long awaited Planet Fitness opened at the Painesville Commons in February. Stop by to take a look at this state of the art fitness center.

Please remember that there is no parking on any Township roads. This is particularly important during snow events. However, there is no parking on Township roads at any time of the year.

Did you know? Over 82,000 people visited the MetroParks pier at Painesville Township Park in 2018. Come out and view a sensational sunrise or a spectacular sunset at one of the only piers on Lake Erie! The pier also is a great fishing spot for local anglers.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TOWNSHIP EVENTS

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day Parade  
April 6 – Hands-Only CPR Training  
May 21 – Trustees Meeting at Station Three  
June 10 – Residential Curbside Brush Pickup

### AT THE HISTORY CENTER

March 19 – Women's History Month Luncheon  
April 18 – Ladies Who Lunch

### AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

April 27 – Electronics Collection  
May 4 – Scrap Tire Collection  
July 23 – 28 – Lake County Fair



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](mailto: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.

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Here are the dates of the Painesville Township Special Events in 2019

### St. Patrick's Day Parade

Sunday, March 17. 3 pm at the Fairgrounds

### Hands-Only CPR Training

Saturday, April 6. 10 am to 2 pm at Fire Station Three

### Movie Night

Saturday, July 13. Dusk at the History Center

### Family Fun Day

Saturday, August 24. 11 am to 4 pm at the History Center

### Document Shredding Day

Saturday September 21. 11 am to 1 pm at the Service Garage

### Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7. 11 am to 2 pm at Fire Station Three

### Christmas Lighting Contest

December, date TBA

### Trustees Meeting out in the Community

Tuesday, May 21. 7:30 pm at Fire Station Three

Tuesday, October 15. 7:30 pm at the Riverside School Board Office