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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 recently entered into an agreement with the Village of Fairport Harbor that will benefit both communities. The Township and the Village will share the cost and the use of a salt hut that will be used to store additional road salt for the winter. The salt hut will increase the amount of salt that will be stored during the winter months, thus ensuring that there will always be enough salt on hand during harsh winters.

The salt hut is a smaller, scaled down version of the traditional 'salt domes' that are typically used for storing road salt. The cost of the salt hut is \$30,000 vs. \$200,000 to build a traditional dome building. Painesville Township and Fairport Harbor will each contribute \$15,000 towards the construction. The salt hut was built in August, and is located behind the Township Service Garage.

This is a great example of two communities working together to share costs and resources in order to save resident's money.



The seventh annual Children's Christmas Party has moved to a new location. The event will now be held at the Community Center at Township Park. It is necessary to move to a larger building because the popularity of the Children's Christmas Party has outgrown the Fire Station. The Community Center is located at Painesville Township Park, at the end of Hardy Road. Bring your children to have their picture taken with Santa Claus, have lunch, and enjoy games and activities. There will also be a children's Chinese auction. The Trustees would like to thank Lake MetroParks for allowing the Township to host the party at the Community Center.

The Children's Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 7, from 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



NEW BUS SHELTERS ON MENTOR AVENUE

New, glass enclosed bus shelters have been built along Mentor Avenue. The bus shelters were a collaboration between the Township and Laketran. Painesville Township obtained a grant from ODOT that paid for the land acquisition and construction of the bus shelters. Mentor Avenue is Laketrans

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ROAD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Snow plowing season is upon us. Your Township road crews will be out in all sorts of weather and times to clear our streets to make driving safe for everyone.

The Township road Department has:

- 215 roads to salt and plow
- 98 roads are cul- de- sacs
- 5 roads are half cul –de- sacs
- 35 roads are dead end streets

Cul -de -sacs require more time and attention due to their circumference and shortage of curb space for piling snow. Plowing a 3 to 5 inch snowfall on a cul-de-sac can take up to 10 minutes.

Dead end streets often have no place for our trucks to turn around, and the trucks must back out of the street. If you live on a dead end street please give our trucks room to get turned around.

During storms our Service Department will have 9 trucks out to plow and salt. Hills, curves and intersections are salted. Seven of our trucks are equipped with liquid wetting systems to allow us to treat the salt with a salt brine/beet juice solution as it is spread on the pavement. The salt brine/beet juice solution is an environmentally friendly way to melt snow vs. traditional road salt.

Residents can assist the snow removal process in several ways:

- Do not shovel or plow snow into the road. (Please tell your private snow plow contractors.)
- Keep a safe distance from the snowplows as they sometimes need to back up or turn around
- Keep children away from snowplows and snow piles
- Do not attempt to pass a snowplow
- When shoveling snow at the end of your driveway, pile it to the right side (as you face the street). This helps the plow drivers push the snow away from your drive rather than into it

 Commercial businesses – please do not plow the snow from your parking lot and pile it on to the sidewalk. (Please tell your private contractors.)

There is NO PARKING on any Township roads when snow exceeds 2 inches.

Not all roads in Painesville Township are maintained by our Service Department. For a list roads that are maintained by Lake County or ODOT go to www.painesvilletwp.com and open the Service Department tab, then click the General Information tab.

The brush drop off area is open Monday through Saturday during the month of November. The brush drop off area is located behind the Service Garage. It is open weekdays from 7:30am to 3 pm. On Saturday open from 10 am to 3 pm. The entrance is from Fairport Nursery Road.

The Road Department provided its annual curbside leaf pick up service to Township residents this year. The pickup days were November 9th and 23rd. The Riverside Lacrosse team assisted the Road Department on both days.

The leaf pickup is one of four free services the Road Department provides to its residents.

- Leaves, brush, limbs, and tree branch drop off behind the Service Garage
- Curbside brush pickup in June
- Two curbside leaf pickups in the fall
- Christmas tree pick up in January

The residential curbside Christmas tree collection will be January 2nd through January 17th. Please remove all lights, decorations and tree stands and place your tree at the curb. Winter weather conditions may impact this schedule but all trees placed at the curb will be picked as weather conditions allow.

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busiest route, and the shelters arrived just in time for winter. The grant also paid for improvements to the front of the Blish Cemetery, and two Welcome to Painesville Township signs on the east and west ends of Mentor Avenue.

Family Fun Day was held in August at the Lake County History Center. We had beautiful weather and record attendance this year. For the first time over 1,000 people attended the event. Families enjoyed children's games and activities, food, music, Euclid Beach Rocket Car rides, Jungle Terry, a Car Cruise In, and much more.

We also held our first annual Family Movie Night in July. Over 300 people came to enjoy the original Lion King. The trustees would like to thank the Lake County History Center for hosting both of our summer events.

In October the Trustees recognized Township resident D J Jacobucci with a resolution thanking him for stopping at the scene of an injured bicyclist and rendering lifesaving CPR while waiting for paramedics to arrive. D J is a former Painesville Township firefighter and paramedic. Thank you D J!

HOMETOWN HEROES BANNERS

The Hometown Heroes Banners were taken down after Veteran's Day. Sponsors who would like to pick their banner up should call Township Hall at 440-352-1443 to make arrangements. Sponsors who would like to re-hang the same banner in 2020 should call Township Hall, or email kmuro@painesvilletwp.com to get the application for 2020. There is a \$50 fee for re-hanging banners in 2020.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

HOME ADDRESS NUMBERS

House numbers are not only convenient for finding addresses but they are necessary for emergency responders to locate those in need. When responding to an emergency, minutes matter so that fire, EMS personnel can easily and quickly find your address. It is more difficult for our firefighters to locate residences when they're responding to a medical emergency or fire when there are no address numbers or the numbers can't be seen. Any difficulty locating an address can be an issue when seconds can make the difference between life and death.

When installing or purchasing address numbers please consider the following;

- 1) Numbers should contrast with their background and have numbers that are 4 inches or larger.
- 2) Script numbers or numbers that are spelled out in words may be difficult to read quickly from the street.
- 3) Brass or bronze numbers are difficult to see. Use numbers that contrast with the background.
- 4) It is extremely helpful to have your address numbers displayed on a fence, mailbox, or other appropriate place that will makes it more visible for our vehicles as we approach.
- 5) Numbers should be clearly seen when approaching from either side of the house and on both sides of the mailbox.
- 6) Be sure that the view of your address numbers is not obstructed by shrubs, trees, or decorations, such as flags.

Highly visible address numbers can speed up response in an emergency. For this reason, The Painesville Township Fire Department is asking all residents and property owners to evaluate their homes and businesses to make sure that their address numbers are plainly legible and visible from the street.

LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY UAS UNIT

There are several resources that are shared by all of the police and fire departments in the county. There are vehicles such as Hazardous Materials Vehicles, Air Trucks and the Lake County Command Vehicle which is housed at Painesville Township Station 3. There are also specialized teams such as the east and west end county Fire Investigation Units, a county wide Hazardous Materials Team, a Swat Team and a Bomb Squad.

The newest countywide public safety asset is the Unmanned Aircraft System Unit (UAS). The UAS Unit is a group of drone pilots made up of both fire and law enforcement officers. Currently, the drones are located in 2 areas. They are located at Willoughby fire station and one at the Lake County Sheriff's office. These drones are available to all fire and police departments upon request. Some of the types of incidents that they are used for are: Search and Rescue, Vehicle Accidents, Aerial Reconnaissance, Fugitive Searches, Missing Persons, Water Rescue and Hazardous Materials Incidents. The team began June of 2017 and has

proven to be the busiest of all of the county special teams.

Painesville Township Firefighter **Chris Patriarca** is currently part of the UAS unit. The Federal Aviation Administration requires UAS pilots to go through training, similar to that which pilots of a full-sized manned aircraft go through, to be able



to operate them in a capacity of public safety. Chris has an advantage in this area as he already has a pilot's license. Lake County Public Safety Unmanned Aircraft System has five drones, 12 pilots plus cameras and payload accessories.

Did you know? The northern border of Painesville Township extends out into Lake Erie, all the way to the Canadian border, which is also in Lake Erie. When the Township originally applied to the State of Ohio for Township status it did not have enough land to qualify as a township. Further research showed that the Township's border extended into Lake Erie, and was consequently granted Township status. Painesville Township was formed in 1800.

More did you know? The lighthouse at the mouth of the Grand River is located in Painesville Township. The lighthouse was built in 1925. In 2011 the federal government auctioned the lighthouse off to a private owner.

PROTECT LAKE ERIE, EVEN IN THE WINTER

Even though Lake Erie may freeze during the winter, we need to continue to protect its waters. Many things we do around our homes and on our driveways in the wintertime effects Lake Erie's water quality, because whatever enters a storm drain or roadside ditch will eventually flow untreated into our rivers and end up in Lake Erie. Here are a few simple tips to follow this winter: 1. Don't wait until spring rains wash all the winter gunk off your car; take it to a commercial carwash so that the salt residue, dirt, oil, grease, and brake dust that built up on your car will drain to a sanitary sewer where water can be treated. 2. Use salt wisely, because a little goes a long way – apply salt to driveways and sidewalks BEFORE it snows to help prevent ice buildup; shovel as much snow as possible, and then apply salt when necessary; if there is salt remaining on your sidewalk or driveway after the snow melts, sweep it up and save it for the next snow storm; try to pile salt on grassy areas, not over catch basins or near streams, to minimize the amount of accumulated pollution in the snow, so when the snow melts, the grass will filter out the pollutants and it won't flow into waterways.

It may not seem like you alone can make a difference in cleaning up stormwater pollution, but if everyone in our community did these simple steps, it would have a great impact on Lake Erie. Do your part to love your lake and keep our stormwater clean. For more information, contact the Lake County Stormwater Management Department at 440-350-5900.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

IN THE TOWNSHIP EVENTS

December 7 – Children's Christmas Party

March 15 – St. Patrick's Day Parade

AT THE HISTORY CENTER

December 5, 6, & 8 – Home for the Holidays

December 12 – Haunted Lantern Tour



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.