

TRUSTEES

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TRUSTEE MEETINGS

1st Tuesday -
6:00 p.m. Work Session
7:30 p.m. Public Meeting

3rd Tuesday -
9:00 a.m. - Work Session
11:00 a.m. - Public Meeting

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



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TRUSTEE NOTES

From the Desk of Gabe Cicconetti

"Spring work is going on with joyful enthusiasm" -John Muir "Father of the National Parks"

Spring is a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be and this spring is bringing beautiful changes to Painesville Township. In your travels around our Township this spring, you may see work being done at our two newest parks. As you may know, Painesville Township acquired the rear parcel of the decommissioned Clyde C. Hadden School so that we could maintain it as a community park. Initially, we didn't make any changes to the park, but now have started moving forward with our first addition to that park. Over the next couple of months, we will construct a new large 32'x24' pavilion at Clyde C. Hadden Park. This pavilion will have space for 6 picnic tables and two grills. The construction of this project is being sponsored by Classic Buick GMC on Mentor Ave. and the concrete being provided at no cost by Osborne Concrete. We also receive a donation of \$1,000 per year from Clyde C. Hadden's grandson, George Hadden, which goes towards the park. This new pavilion will be an amazing addition to the park, providing more recreation options for the community. We look forward to seeing community members hold birthday parties, cookouts, and many other fun events once it is complete. We plan to explore more opportunities for funding to add additional amenities to the park in the years ahead.

The second and most comprehensive project will be taking place at the newly created park located at 115 Bowhall Road, next to Fire Station 2. This park is being dedicated and named after my grandfather, Angelo Cicconetti, and will be called the Angelo Cicconetti Memorial Park. My grandfather spent five decades in Painesville Township in the same house, just around the corner from the new park. He also served 3 terms as Painesville Township Trustee, served as Lake County Dog Warden for 25 years, and was heavily involved in the community nearly his entire adult life, helping make it a better place for everyone. To honor

him and his legacy in the community we thought it would be fitting to dedicate this park to him. The best part about the park is that aside from some minor groundwork being done by our Service Dept., the entire park will be funded by outside contributions using no Township tax dollars! We were able to procure a large contribution from Lubrizol Corporation in the amount of \$80,000 for construction of the park. In addition to that, we received a \$200 donation from community members Robert & Lisa Bezzeg, as well as, \$12,500 contribution from my father, Mike Cicconetti, and I will personally be contributing \$2,500. Initial projects planned for the Angelo Cicconetti Memorial Park include: a large pavilion with handicap (ADA) compliant picnic tables, BBQ grills, a playground for all ages, handicap accessible (ADA compliant) recreation equipment, a bocce ball court, park benches, landscaping, walking path, and new fencing. We will also be applying for grants to expand the offerings at the park, including a handicap accessible parking lot and play surfaces, and more.

To continue attracting younger families to our Township, the need for public green space and recreation amenities is very important, especially since there were some gaps created with the closing and consolidating of elementary schools in the Riverside District. By adding new parks and improving existing spaces, we can help make our community more attractive to new families and improving our community for everyone who already calls Painesville Township home. Also, as the rate of childhood obesity continues to climb, keeping our children active and playing outdoors is important. The more we can offer to help promote physical activity and being outdoors, we will hopefully be doing our part to help keep a generation of children healthier and more active. While technology is a blessing for so many reasons, it can also be the biggest competition for our children's time. So, we hope that by creating more opportunity for them to be outside, be active, and find other ways to have fun we are doing our part to help our children live the healthy active lifestyles so many of us enjoyed in our youth.

On behalf of the Township, I want to personally thank

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ROAD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

The annual curbside brush collection will be on Monday June 7th. All brush must be tied in bundles not exceeding four feet in length and placed at the curb by 7:30 a.m.

The brush drop area located at the Service Garage (558 Fairport Nursery Road) is open on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This service is for Painesville Township residents only. Yard service contractors and landscapers are not permitted.

The late season snowfall on April 21st created a busy time for our Service Department. We had to prepare our trucks once again for snow and the next day switch back to summer mode and begin chipping the large volume of tree limbs that were brought down by the heavy snow. We removed limbs from the roadway on 27 of our roads and chipped the brush that residents placed at the curb at over 100 houses. This resulted in 31 truckloads of wood chips.

We were once again able to have the Riverside High School art students paint our snowplows in early May. This annual event has evolved into a day of anticipation as our crews wait to see what designs the students have created for their snowplows. Thank you Riverside Art Students!

Thank you to Sherwin Williams in Painesville Township for their generous support of our Paint A Plow program.

Painesville Township was awarded an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant in the amount of \$299,900.00 to help with the cost of repairs to the following roads in 2021:

Bayberry Court, Heatherstone Drive, Dartmouth Drive, Fanwood Court, and Bridle Path. A & J Cement Contractors was awarded this \$933,103.50 project.

We will also be completing a road resurfacing project on: Ridgecrest Drive, Base Drive, Siron Drive, Park Road North, Morgan Drive, Manhattan Parkway, Queens Court, Statten

Court, Hampton Court, Westchester Court and Greenwich Court. Bartwood Drive will be resurfaced in a joint project with Perry Township. Middleton Drive between Coventry Drive and Cherry Hill Drive will be resurfaced in a joint project with Concord Township. This \$350,887.67 contract has been awarded to Chagrin Valley Paving and will be paid for using funds from the road levy passed in 2018.

Open Burning in Painesville Township

The Ohio Revised Code strictly 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, 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.

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. ***Smoke conditions should be monitored to ensure that the fire is not creating a nuisance by obscuring visibility, creating annoying odors, or posing any health problems.***

The fire may not be used for waste disposal. The open burning of plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, grass, shrubbery, and leaves are not permitted in Painesville Township. Burning leaves and plant materials send aloft millions of spores when they catch fire, causing many people with allergies or diseases such as asthma or other upper respiratory issues to have difficulty breathing. Painesville Township does have free yard waste drop off on Wednesdays and Saturdays as well seasonal curbside pick-up of leaves. For a complete schedule of hours and dates of these services please visit the Painesville Township website at www.painesvilletwp.com.

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.



TOWNSHIP EVENTS

Family Movie Night
Saturday, July 10

Family Fun Day
Saturday, August 28

Painesville Township held our annual St. Patrick's Parade on March 14. We had a great turn out of participants in both the parade, and in spectators along Mentor Avenue. This year's parade honored the founders of the original parade. Trustee Chuck Hillier presented a Resolution from the Trustees to Jim Falvey, Tim Cannon, and Jim Sievers. The Trustees would also like to thank Neil Conway for his support in organizing the parade. This year we had a bagpipe band to help give the parade an Irish flavor. Thank you to the residents who chipped in to pay for the band this year; Neil Conway, Jim Falvey, Dennis Falvey, Tim Cannon, Ray McGuinness, and Jim Sievers. Be sure to join us next year for our St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 13.

Tall Grass. Every year 98% of the residents and businesses in Painesville Township take excellent care of their property. This includes landscaping and cutting grass and vegetation. We thank all of the property owners who do a great job of taking care of their property.

Every year there are some property owners who do not keep up on cutting the grass. This is unfortunate for their neighbors who do. When this happens, The Ohio Revised Code prescribes how a Township may address this problem. The O.R.C. requires that the Township send a formal notification to the property owner that their grass exceeds six inches in height. Here is how the process works:

1. The Township must send a certified letter to the property owner notifying them of a grass violation. The property owner has seven days to cut the grass. The seven day period begins on the day they sign for the certified letter.

2. If the property owner does not cut the grass, the Township is then required to send a notice by regular mail notifying them of the violation. The property owner has four days to cut the grass.

3. If the property owner still fails to cut the grass after four days, the Township Service Department will cut the grass and place the bill on the property owner's tax duplicate.

Unfortunately, due to this process and scheduling the work, it can take two to three weeks after the Township is notified before grass is cut on a property. The Township Trustees take property maintenance seriously and want all property owners to maintain their property.

Our next free community event will be Family Movie Night. This summer's Family Movie Night will be on Saturday, July 10. The movie will begin at dusk. The movie will be shown in the front yard of the Lake County Historical Center, next to Riverside High School. Please check out the Painesville Township Facebook page to vote on the movie you would like to have.

Family Fun Day will be held on Saturday, August 28, at the Lake County Historical Center. See the next newsletter for details.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

AT THE HISTORY CENTER

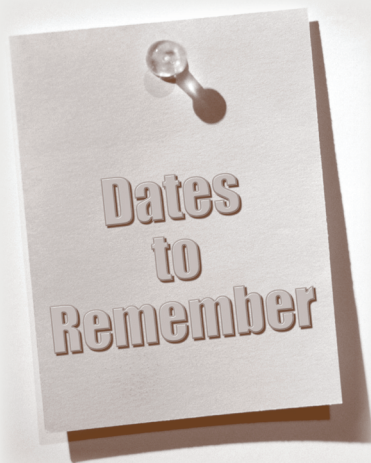
June 17 – Ladies & Gents Who Lunch

June 26 – Ham Radio Field Day

AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

**June 5 – Household Hazardous
Waste Collection**

July 11 – Johnnycake Jog



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Lubrizol, Classic Buick GMC (Ralph Wilson), Osborne Concrete, George Hadden, my father Mike Cicconetti, and Robert & Lisa Bezzeg for their sponsorships and contributions to the projects, and their dedication to our community. If anyone would like to be a part of these projects, we are currently looking for businesses or members of the community willing to sponsor picnic tables and benches. If you are interested, please send me an email; gabe@painesvilletwp.com

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.