

#### TRUSTEES

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#### FISCAL OFFICER

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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 Trustee Chuck Hillier*

With the lawless shootout that occurred at Lake Dine and Dance on July 5th, many comments have been made by the Sheriff publicly. His press release dated July 13th, TV5 & TV8 News interviews on July 15th, and multiple social media posts since have all had a common theme, "his department is understaffed, and the Township Trustees need to fix it."

I can't say I disagree with our Sheriff about being understaffed to respond to emergencies, such as the one at Lake Dine & Dance. Ohio Revised Code Section 311.07 states, "(A) Each sheriff shall preserve the public peace and ... keep the peace ..." So as it states, the ORC statutorily declares it's the Sheriff's responsibility to "keep the peace". Now those three words appear rather vague, but the Township's Legal Counsel has interpreted it to mean that the Sheriff is required to be properly staffed to respond to emergencies, and therefore if he is not, it is incumbent upon the Lake County Commissioners to rectify the situation since they budget his department, not the Township.

Case law in the 11th District Court of Appeals found, Section "311.07(A)

[is] to respond to calls for assistance [and that] the decision to provide any services beyond responding to specific calls [is] within the discretion of both the county commissioners and the sheriff." Since 2008 the Commissioners have had the policy that if townships want Road Patrols they'd have to pay for it and since 2011 we've done exactly that. However, with the rise in crime in recent years, coupled with the brazen behavior of criminals, we believe more needs to be done from a township standpoint. Unfortunately, we only have our Police Levy Fund to draw from and adding additional deputies will dry it up in short order.

A temporary solution appears to have been offered by the Federal Government with passage of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act. With this ARP funding we will be able to contract additional Deputy Road Patrols. However, these funds must be spent by December 31, 2024 so that only buys us three years to find a permanent solution. With our current staffing, the Policing Levy we passed in 2014 has had an adequate carryover balance from year to year. Beginning in 2022, the fund year-ending balance will annually decrease as expenses begin exceeding revenues, ultimately placing us in the position

where we'll need to return to the voters. We expect the year-end balance to be healthy through 2027.

An additional temporary solution has been offered by the Commissioners where they will match the hire of every Deputy we contract for four years. As I mentioned prior, the ORC declares the Sheriff is responsible for "keeping the peace" and currently the Sheriff has gone on record multiple times stating he is not properly staffed to respond to emergencies. So if we use ARP funding to hire additional deputies and the Commissioners match us one for one, we each have a temporary solution that will require a permanent one within three to four years.

We will continue working with our county colleagues in your best interests, but there must be some give and take from both sides of local government. I promise you, in conjunction with my fellow colleagues Gabe Cicconetti, Mike Patriarca, and Josh Pennock, we will work through these temporary solutions to find a permanent one that will provide us the security we need to live and travel safely in this wonderful community of Painesville Township we all call home.

#### In the Township

**September 18** – Document

Shredding Day

**October 5** –

Trustees Meeting at Riverside High School

**November 13** –

Curbside Leaf Pickup

#### At the History Center

**August 28** –

Painesville Township Family Fun Day

**September 16** –

Haunted Lantern Tours

**October 7, 14, 28** – Haunted Lantern Tours

#### At the Fairgrounds

**September 18** –

The Great Garage Sale

**September 25** – Hazardous Waste Collection



# ROAD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

## *From the Desk of Service Director Bill Thompson*

The brush, leaf, and yard waste drop off area is open on Wednesdays from 7:30 am until 3:00 pm and on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. This service is for Painesville Township residents only and yard service contractors are not permitted.

During the month of November the brush drop off area will be open Monday through Friday from 7:30 am

until 3:00 pm and also on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. The brush drop off area is open through Saturday, December 4.

Painesville Township will be offering two curbside leaf collections this fall:

Saturday November 13th  
Saturday December 4th

Please place your bagged leaves at the curb by 7:30 am on those dates. Leaves must be in paper recycling bags. Plastic bags and loose piles will not be collected.

Three of our painted snowplows were in the Lake County Fair Parade and will also be on display at Family Fun Day on August 28 at the Lake County History Center. Students at Riverside High School design and

paint the snowplows every year. Make sure to take a look at the plows and see what a great job the students did!

As we begin to plan for the upcoming snow season, we were pleased to learn that the price of road salt will be over \$4.00 per ton less than last winter. Over the last 21 years we have used an average of 1,640 tons of salt per winter.

Now may be a good time to inspect your mailbox and post and make any needed repairs so they are done prior to the snowplowing season. Many times adding a couple screws or replacing some rotting wood will help get it through another season.

Congratulations and best wishes to Service Department employee Clarence "Bucky" Drain who will be retiring in August after 37 years of service with Painesville Township. Bucky's friendly attitude and infectious laugh will be missed by all. Bucky is looking forward to having more time to play Santa during the Holiday Season and less time behind the wheel of a plow truck.

Enjoy Bucky!



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### *From the Desk of Fire Chief Frank Huffman*

*If you have or know of a child that has been playing with fire, has set fires or is unusually fascinated with fire, a Juvenile Fire Setter Program is a must to help stop this potentially fatal behavior.*

Playing with fire is a deadly game for children that should NOT be dismissed as a "phase" or simple "curiosity". Juvenile arson and youth-set fires result in over 300 deaths and 2000 injuries annually. It causes \$300 million in property damage with more than 400,000 incidents annually in the United States.

- Playing with fire is the leading cause of death in residential fires for young children.
- Nearly 34% of the victims of child-set fires are the children themselves.
- Children playing with fire cause 40% of residential fire related deaths among children.
- At home, children often play with fire in their bedroom. Outside, it may be at the bus stop, vacant lot, or garage.

- Children are under the false impression that they can control the fires that they set.
- It only takes about 2 minutes for the flame from a single match to spread to the entire room, and less than 5 minutes for that fire to spread through the entire house.
- Nearly half of all children have engaged in fire play.

Children must be properly supervised and educated about fire's destructive power.

#### **When to Be Concerned-**

Fire setting is usually an expression of a child's feelings, a cry for help. Children in homes where domestic violence, drugs and alcohol, or chaotic parenting styles occur are at a greater risk. Possible warning signs are:

- Playing with matches or lighters.
- Trying to burn items.
- Carrying fire starting materials in pockets or having them in their room.
- Talking about fire.
- Asking how particular materials will burn.

Children set fires for many reasons.

If a child plays with fire, that does not mean they are a problem child. Through education, and in some cases counseling, children and their families can be given the skills to change this dangerous behavior.

Painesville Township Fire Department offers a Juvenile Fire Setter Program for our community. This program is for children under the age of 17 who have exhibited inappropriate fire related behavior. The program is run by Lt. Gordon Thompson and is designed to enlighten parents and children about fire safety and the consequences of fire. In many cases, juveniles become involved with this program after an incident involving a fire or as a referral from the juvenile courts. However, parents who are concerned about a child's potential risk with fire related behavior may contact Painesville Township Fire Department's Juvenile Fire Setter Educator, Lt. Gordon Thompson, by email at [gthompson@painesvilletwp.com](mailto:gthompson@painesvilletwp.com) or phone at (440) 352-6996.



# **PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP FAMILY FUN DAY**

## **SATURDAY, AUGUST 28**

### **11 AM TO 4 PM**

The Painesville Township Board of Trustees is pleased to sponsor our seventh annual Family Fun Day on Saturday, August 28th from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. This community celebration is a very family friendly event with free entry, free events, and free parking. The event will be held at The Lake County Historical Society, next to the Riverside High School Campus.

The festivities are being planned by the Township Trustees, Gabe Cicconetti, Chuck Hillier, and Josh Pennock. A big thank you to our event sponsors, whose support is critical to our ability to put this event on free of charge. The Trustees also thank the Lake County Historical Society for hosting our Family Fun Day, and the Painesville Township Service Department for their work in setting up and cleaning up.

#### **REFRESHMENTS**

Hot Dogs  
Hamburgers  
Popcorn  
Ice Cream  
Beverages  
Fine Grinds Mobile Cafe



#### **ACTIVITIES**

Bouncy House  
Bouncy Slide  
Face Painter  
Balloon Twister  
Miniature Golf  
Sky Dancer  
Magician  
Children's Games  
Mentor ATA Karate  
Township Tour  
Morley Library  
Over Sized Checkers  
Over Sized Connect 4

#### **ATTRACTIONS**

Pioneer Village & Museum  
Dr. UrAwesome Bubble Guy  
Rocket Car Rides  
Outback Ray  
Dr. Insect A Bug  
Touch A Truck  
Chinese Auction  
Sheriff SWAT Van  
Music  
County Mobile Command Vehicle  
Pfabe's Teen Band  
County Stormwater Department  
Theo – Arson K-9  
Laketran  
MetroHealth Life Flight Helicopter

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

##### **TIME SLOTS**

Outback Ray ~	11:45 – 12:45
Dr. UrAwesome ~	12:00 – 2:00
Dr. Insect A Bug ~	1:00 – 3:00
MetroHealth Life Flight ~	12:00
Strolling Magician ~	1:30 – 3:30
Pfabe's Teen Band ~	1:00 – 2:00
Chinese Auction ~	Close at 3 ~ Drawing at 3:30
Township Tours ~	1:30 and 2:30



##### **ALL DAY**

Rocket Car Rides  
Pioneer Village & Museum  
Face Painting  
Touch A Truck  
Balloon Twister  
Bouncy House  
Bouncy Slide  
Sheriff's Department  
Mobile Command Vehicle  
Music  
Mentor ATA Karate  
All CHILDREN'S Games





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## TOWNSHIP NOTES

### *From the Desk of Administrator Mike Manary*

**Beautiful Lawn Awards** – Painesville Township appreciates the residents and businesses that take exceptional care of their property. Every June, July, and August the Trustees and Service Director select several properties each month that appear in excellent condition. While we cannot recognize every great looking property in a summer, we try to take notice. Thank you to all of our residents and businesses that help to keep our Township looking good! Here are the Beautiful Lawn Award winners for June and July:

#### **June**

20 Ridgecrest Dr.  
846 Outrigger Cove  
485 Nelmar Dr.  
117 Ava June Dr.

#### **July**

81 Ava June Dr.  
2021 Ridgebury Dr.  
1108 Castleman Ct.  
257 Lee Rd.

**Madison Avenue** – This has been a major construction project for the Lake County Engineer's Office. The repair of the retaining wall, replacement of the inlet basins for the storm sewers and resurfacing the road have made for a multi-faceted project. The Lake County Engineer has revised the schedule for reopening Madison Avenue several times. The most recent information is that the road will be reopened before school starts. The Riverside Local Schools will open on August 26.

**Our Newest Parks** – Under the direction of Trustee Cicconetti, significant progress has been made at both of the community parks the Township is developing.

- At the Clyde C. Hadden Memorial Park, the pavilion is just about complete. Other amenities such as benches, fences and landscaping will be added this summer.
- At the Angelo Cicconetti Memorial Park, we are just about to break

ground for the pavilion. Some of the fencing has been installed, and playground equipment has been ordered.

The Trustees and Ralph Wilson from Classic Buick GMC held a ground breaking ceremony at Clyde C. Hadden Memorial Park on July 15.

***What do you think?*** – About our color format for the newsletter? Let us know if you prefer the color format or the original one you have been receiving in the past. Send us a quick note through our website. Use the Contact tab at [www.painesvilletwp.com](http://www.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](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.*