

# KINGSTON NEWS

## Chairman's Chat

By Dewey Akers, Trustees Chairman

Hi, Everyone. Hope all is well. Just a reminder, with winter not too far away, Source Point (formerly known as the Council for Older Adults of Delaware County) is always in need of volunteers for Meals on Wheels and other projects. During the winter months a lot of volunteers are lost as snowbirds retreat to the South. If you are interested, they are located at 800 Cheshire Road and the phone number is 740/363-6677 or 1-800/994-2255.

Cynde and I attended the showing of the OSU vs. Virginia Tech game at the Strand Theater September 7. Admission was free and the house was packed. It was a great way to start the football season. The showing was in conjunction with the OSU Alumni Association, but all were invited. They may be showing other away games at the Strand. It was a great way to feel the excitement of the crowd without driving in all the traffic.

Road projects are moving along well with no delays. The Wilson Road project is almost ready to go. The right of way has been secured so work should start soon. I'd like to thank the Kaiser family for their quick response to the needs of Kingston Township. It was greatly appreciated.

The fall special waste collection event by the DKMM Solid Waste District will be held on October 3rd, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Delaware County Fairgrounds, 935 US Rt 23 N. Tires and electronics only will be accepted. Call 740/393-4600 for more details on collection events.

Remember to support your community at the Fall Festival in Kilbourne October 3.

If you have any questions or concerns about your township, please call me at 740/803-1529.

Thanks, Dewey

Meetings are at the Township Hall, unless noted otherwise. Trash pick up days are Fridays except during holiday weeks\*. Trustees Mtg. Oct. 6, 7 PM

**CALENDAR** 

Trash Days Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Trick or Treat Oct. 29, 6-8 PM

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#### **DELAWARE COUNTY EMS**

Emergency: 911; Business: 833-2190 Web: www.delcoems.org

#### **NEWS & INFO**

Township Web Site: <a href="www.kingstontwp.org">www.kingstontwp.org</a> Newsletter Editor: Jeanna Burrell, 965-1914 Email: kingstonnews@embarqmail.com

## PORTER KINGSTON FIRE DISTRICT

Emergency: 911; Business: 524-5050 Email: <u>PKFD@rrohio.com</u>; Web: www.PKFD.org

#### **ROADS & CEMETERIES**

Doug Crowl, 740-815-8427, Email: roads@kingstontwp.org

#### TRASH & RECYCLING

Waste Management: 1-866-797-9018
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#### **ZONING**

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appointment

# **August Zoning Report**

#### **Permits**

No permits were issued in August. Two letters were sent to residents on SR 521 about unpermitted new structures. One was a storage building that is under the required size limit of 200 square feet. The other is a patio and the owner was unaware of permit requirement and will file an application.

## Complaints

A complaint was received about debris, junk, uncut weeds, and vehicles on a property on SR 61. The Township has had issues with this property in the past. A letter was sent to the property owner on 4/30. Staff visited the adjacent property (complainant) on 5/28. No cleanup activity had occurred. Staff planned to send a final letter prior to the Prosecutor's involvement on 6/4. The property owner contacted the office on 6/11. Cleanup is in progress and it was committed that all items would be complete by 9/1. Noticeable improvement has occurred.

#### **Vacancies**

We still have several zoning vacancies. For details, visit <a href="http://www.kingstontwp.org/N">http://www.kingstontwp.org/N</a> otices.htm.

## Roads

Clark Road will be closed through late October. Kilbourne Road is closed for I-71 bridge work.

The Delaware County
Engineer's Office bid out the
Wilson Rd. project and Shelley &
Sands had the lowest and best
bid at \$369,924. The reconstruction from the east of the Little
Walnut Creek Bridge to
approximately the sewer plant
entrance will begin Oct. 12 and
be complete in Nov. The
roadbed will be rebuilt to 24'
wide and realigned to the south.

A culvert on south Blue Church Road has been replaced.

The township submitted a Request for Engineering Assistance (REA) to the Delaware County Engineer's Office to conduct a hydraulic study on Beacom Rd. The recommendation came back that the topography of the area doesn't drain well because the existing pipe is insufficient. The county will estimate cost for a replacement.

The township will dispose of an old road grader on the .gov auction site.

# Health District Update

Delaware General Health District Director Shelia Hiddleson spoke at a recent trustees meeting with updates on a variety of issues.

The district has been trapping mosquitos this summer and has found no diseased insects. Even though it was a very wet spring and summer, they only spray in response to disease and fogging is the least effective method of killing mosquitos. She reminded residents to empty standing water so mosquitos don't have a chance to reproduce.

Hiddleson strongly recommends everyone getting their flu vaccines this fall and she discussed which flu strains are selected. By getting vaccinated each year, you will have immunity to numerous strains of influenza.

## **Fall Fire Safety**

In the fall, foliage dries out, leaves fall, and it is generally a dry season. Be aware that Ohio law prohibits outdoor open burning statewide in unincorporated areas during the months of October and November from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. This ban includes burning of yard waste, trash, and debris,

even in a proper burn barrel.

Burning leaves and debris, especially in dry or windy conditions can lead to brush fires or threaten lives and property. Fires must be more than 1,000 feet from a neighbor's inhabited building and it is illegal for smoke to obscure a roadway.

In milder weather, many people open their windows and are enjoying being outside. It is unhealthy for anyone to breathe the smoke, especially for those with certain breathing conditions.

Materials that should never be burned at any time in Ohio include food waste; dead animals; materials containing rubber, grease, asphalt, or made from petroleum; and, any materials generated off the premises.

## **Trick or Treat**

Trick or Treat is Oct. 29, 6-8 p.m. this year. Keep your young ones safe with bright clothing or reflectors so they are visible after dark to oncoming cars. Be very careful with costumes around bonfires.

If you are distributing treats, leave your porch light on, or some other identifier if you have a long lane.

Stop in from 6-8 p.m. at the Porter Kingston Fire District for treats, too.

## **Wireless Internet**

Bresco Broadband offers wireless internet, email, gaming, Netflix, and Hulu. Visit their web site for details and fill out an inquiry form at

http://www.brescobroadband.c om/residential/contact.html. If there is enough interest, they can add service in the area.