



KINGSTON NEWS

Chairman's Chat

By Dewey Akers, Trustees Chairman

Greetings to All,
It has been awhile since I was Trustee Chairman for Kingston Township. It's an honor to serve again in 2015.

The USDA Rural Development Division attended our January meeting to discuss grants that might be available to Kingston Township for the construction of a township hall. Unfortunately, the township does not qualify for any grants at this time, but the Trustees will continue to seek help for the construction of a

township hall and park. Thank you to Trustee Bill Shively for initiating the meeting with the USDA.

We will be into the pothole season soon. If you encounter any adverse road conditions, please contact Doug Crawl at 740-815-8427 or me at 740-803-1529 as soon as possible.

Your input at the monthly meetings is always welcomed. Feel free to contact me for any concerns you have about Kingston Township.

Thanks, Dewey

December Zoning Report

2014 Year Review

- 24 Zoning Permits issued;
- 2 Agricultural Exemptions issued;
- 2 Conditional Use Hearings held by BZA;
- 3 Variance Hearings held by BZA;
- 3 lot splits approved;
- 7 complaints received and resolved;
- 4 Zoning Commission Meetings held; and,
- Several RPC training

sessions and Northstar reviews attended.

Complaints

The Delaware County Prosecutor's Office sent a letter to the property owner about a business complaint at their rental property on Carter's Corner Road. The property owner contacted the Zoning Office the same week and stated that the renter would vacate the premises in January 2015.

CALENDAR

Meetings are at the Township Hall, unless noted otherwise. Trash pick up days are Fridays except during holiday weeks*.

Trustees Mtg. Feb. 3, 7 PM

Zoning Mtg. Feb. 4, 7 PM

Trash Days Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27

CONTACTS

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DELAWARE COUNTY EMS

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NEWS & INFO

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ZONING

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Vacancies

The trustees will appoint one alternate position on the Kingston Township Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to fill an existing term through December 2015; one BZA position through Dec. 2019; and, a zoning commission alternate position through Aug. 2015.

Interested township residents should submit a letter of interest and a resume to the Kingston Township Zoning Office, 9899 State Route 521, Sunbury, Ohio 43074 or by email to zoning@kingstontwp.org.

Applicants will be interviewed by the trustees during their monthly meeting Feb. 3, 7 p.m., at the Kingston Township Hall. Applicants must be present to be considered for the position. Contact the Zoning Office at 740-524-0290 with questions or for more information, visit <http://www.kingstontwp.org/Notices.htm>.

Appointments

At the organizational meeting, the trustees made these appointments.

Trustees

Dewey Akers - Chairman
Steve Volpe - Vice-Ch.
Bill Shively - Executive Member

Regular monthly meetings are at 7 p.m. on

the first Tuesday of each month.

Porter Kingston Fire District - Dewey Akers
Health District Advisory Board - Bill Shively
Twp. Attorney - Delaware County Prosecutor

Zoning

The Zoning Office hours have changed from Fridays to Thursdays, 8 a.m.-noon.

Zoning Inspector - Bob Talbott
Assistant Zoning Inspector/Secretary - Dave Stites

DCRPC - Dave Stites; Bob Talbott, Alt.

The 2015 Quarterly Zoning Commission Meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of the month.

Zoning Commission: Tom Filbert, Rick Giffin, Jim Grove, Joey Jerome, Dick Strohm, and one alternate position open.

Board of Zoning Appeals: Nancy Gogle, Jim Kistner, Craig McCord, Steven Smith, Bill Hammond, and one alternate position open.

Attorney - Mike O'Reilly

Roads & Cemeteries Road Superintendent/Cemetery Sexton - Doug Crowl

ISO Rating

Porter Kingston Fire District is proud to announce that we have been awarded an ISO Rating of 4/4Y.

So what exactly is an ISO rating, and what does this new rating mean? ISO stands for Insurance Service Organization, and they evaluate and assess fire protection in municipalities and counties throughout the U.S. In each community, ISO analyzes data on fire protection (generally from what is known as a Fire Suppression Rating Schedule or FSRS) and assigns the district a Public Protection Classification number. These numbers are like a grading system, and range from Class 1 (most desirable) to Class 10 (least desirable).

The test is divided into three different areas including Fire Department, Water Supply System, and Communications System. The Fire Department section accounts for 50% of that final scoring. The other two evaluated areas are water supply, which accounts for 40%, and communications, which is 10% of the overall rating.

What does this mean to our district and you? Most insurance companies utilize the ISO ratings when calculating your premium (although some carriers use a different format). Our previous ISO rating for the Fire District was a 6/9, the new rating of 4/4Y, puts our district in the top 17% of all fire departments in the country. Please check with your insurance carrier, to discuss our new ISO rating and see what kind of a difference it can make for you.
