



KINGSTON NEWS

Chairman's Chat

By Dewey Akers, Trustees Chairman

We have been having great weather. I hope everyone is enjoying it. It has certainly been excellent for the farmers and their harvest.

The Porter Kingston Fire District Board has given Chief Thompson permission to respond for mutual aid to the Delaware Area Response Team (DART) as a DART Duty Officer when requested. The DART mission is to facilitate the administration functions and fiscal operations of the DART Team and to achieve proficiency as a Type II Hazmat Team. Congratulations to Chief Thompson who will be

the lead duty officer.

The days are getting shorter now and it's still dark while the kids are waiting for the school buses so be extra careful during the morning rush. Watch out for deer also as bow hunting season has started and the deer are more active this time of year.

I hope everyone is able to get out and vote on or before November 3rd.

As always, call me at 740-803-1529 if you have any questions concerning the township.

Thanks, Dewey

except a red truck and a trailer with several junk items has been cleaned up. The trailer has flat tires and the owner has committed to removal of the final items when the tires are fixed or replaced.

A complaint was received about a business on Kilbourne Rd. A letter was sent to the owner on 10/1.

Smith Reappointed

Stephen Smith was reappointed to the Board of



Zoning Appeals (BZA). He has served on the BZA since 2004 and has

served as its chairman for several years. We thank him for his ongoing commitment to our community!

Other

Wetland remediation for the NorthStar commercial area will be performed at the Pastures at Blue Church property, impacting approximately 25 acres. EMH&T is performing the design and permitting work.

The Zoning Office staff submitted information about the township's master plan for use in the county's sewer master planning process.

September Zoning Report

Permits

Two permits were issued in September. One was for a patio on SR 521 and one for a new build home on Rosecrans Rd.

One agricultural exemption was issued for a barn extension on 3 Bs & K Rd.

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 was in progress and it was committed that all items would be complete by 9/1. Noticeable improvements have occurred. The owner brought pictures in to review progress on 10/1. Everything

Quarterly Meeting

The Zoning Commission's quarterly meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Nov. 4.

Vacancies

We still have zoning board vacancies. For details, visit <http://www.kingstontwp.org/Notices.htm>.

Roads

The northern Cark Rd. bridge is complete. Kilbourne Rd. is still closed for I-71 bridge work.

Wilson Rd. utilities are being moved. The road will close Oct. 26 for reconstruction of the road from east of the bridge near Carter's Corner Rd. west to the sewer plant entrance. The roadbed will be rebuilt to 24' wide and realigned to the south and will be closed until late November.

Storm water work is in process on the northern leg of Blue Church Rd. and on Rosecrans Rd. Drainage work will also occur on the township's farm land.

An Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant application was submitted for improvements to the northern end of Blue Church Rd.

Economic Development

New Delaware County Economic Development Director Bob Lamb attended the trustees meeting. He said that over the next year, he will work on a county-wide economic development master plan. He will gather input from local zoning and elected officials

about their land use and sewer master plans. Once drafted, he will gather residents' input on the plan via a series of local meetings.

Fall Back & Change Your Batteries

On Nov. 1, it's time to set your clocks back an hour. That means it's also time to change the batteries in your smoke alarms!

For the best protection, put a smoke detector on every level of your home and inside each sleeping area. Test smoke alarms each month to ensure they work properly. Vacuum the dust from inside them at least once a year. Never "borrow" a smoke detector's battery for another use. Change batteries twice a year or if the detector "chirps" to signal low battery power. If your smoke alarms are more than 10 years old, replace the entire units.

Develop an escape plan with two ways out and practice your plans to make sure everyone knows what to do and where to meet outside if the fire alarm sounds.

Holiday Music

Believe it or not, the holidays are just around the corner. The Central Ohio Symphony's holiday concert will be 2-4:30 p.m., December 13 at Ohio Wesleyan University's Gray Chapel auditorium. You can buy tickets in person at 24 E. Winter St., online at www.centralohiosymphony.org, or by calling 740-362-1799.

CALENDAR

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

Trustees Mtg.	Nov. 3, 7 PM
VOTE	Nov. 3, 6:30 AM-7:30 PM
Zoning Mtg.,	Nov. 4, 7 PM
Trash Days	Nov. 6, 13, 20, 28*

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