

WELLINGTON TOWNSHIP

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FALL/WINTER 2021

David Fisher Sworn in as Township Trustee

At the Wellington Township Trustee October 5th meeting, Trustee Board Chairman Fred Pitts announced that he received a resignation letter from Trustee Nancy Fisher on September 9th, stating she would be resigning her position as of September 18th due to health reasons. Pitts stated that he was saddened to see Nancy resign as she was an exceptional leader and steward of the Township for 12 years. David Fisher, who is on the November 2nd election ballot for Trustee, was sworn in to fill out the remainder of his wife Nancy's term.

David Fisher grew up in LaGrange, Ohio, is a graduate of Keystone high school and Lorain County Community College. David and his wife Nancy have been married 50 years and have two children. He is a longtime resident of Wellington Township and a dedicated public servant. David served on the Wellington Exempted Village school board, 20 years on the Wellington Fire Department and a number of years as a member of the Wellington Kiwanis. David, an Electrical Engineer, recently retired after 29 years with Forest City Technologies Inc. Fisher said he is looking forward to continuing his community service as a Wellington Township Trustee.

Trustee meetings are open to the public and are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Meeting location is the Maintenance Facility meeting room located at 105 Maple Street.

Lorain County Emergency Alert Registration

Sign up for **Lorain County Alerts!** By signing up, you will receive Lorain County emergency alerts and public service announcements. In the event of an emergency, an alert may be sent to the phone number (s) you provide and/or your email address. To sign up visit:

https://entry.inspironlogistics.com/lorain_oh/wens.cfm

This is a free service; however, normal messaging fees may apply. To receive text messages to your cell phone, your cell phone must have text messaging capabilities. Notifications are dependent upon external providers (phone carrier, cell phone, email).

By signing up, you will also receive Lorain County Emergency Alerts. Alerts sent from Lorain County will originate from 69310 for text messages and (440) 328-2117 for voice notifications.



Trustee David Fisher

Contact Us

Trustees:

Fred Pitts 216-780-4609

Leroy Brasee 440-213-4035

David Fisher 440-213-0219

Fiscal Officer:

Virginia Haynes 440-647-7194

Zoning Inspector:

Steve Majesky 440-787-7180

Fire District: 440-647-2245

Ambulance District: 440-647-5803

Sheriff's Office: 440-329-3752

**For emergencies dial 9-1-1*

Junk Car Initiative

Two years ago, the zoning department undertook an initiative to reduce the number of junk motor vehicles throughout the township.

With the help and cooperation of residents, we've been able to identify and remove just over thirty (30) junk motor vehicles in an effort to help restore the uncluttered, rural charm of our community. Many people may not realize that it is a violation of our Zoning Resolution to keep a junk motor vehicle on private property.

The Ohio Revised Code (ORC §505.173) defines junk motor vehicle as:

- (1) *Three model years old, or older;*
- (2) *Apparently inoperable;*
- (3) *Extensively damaged, including, but not limited to, any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine, or transmission.*

Our junk car initiative will continue on an ongoing basis.

Please help our community maintain its rural charm by contacting your local auto salvage yard or national "Kars4Kids" charity to have your junk motor vehicle removed today!

Report a Blocked Crossing

www.Rail.Ohio.gov

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has established a new, dedicated webpage to allow the public and law enforcement to report blocked highway-rail grade crossings. Blocked crossings occur when stopped trains impede the flow of motor vehicle or pedestrian traffic at railroad tracks for extended periods of time. The FRA is now seeking broad public input to understand the scope of the problem and engage with affected parties to identify potential solutions.

Sample Emergency Notification Sign



Thank you!

From the Spirit of '76 Museum

Thanks to you, the Spirit of '76 Museum has had a wonderful year after our re-opening in June!

Updates at the museum have been added to the enhance your experience at the museum.

- QR Codes in our displays were added to allow you to hear additional information about what you are looking at.
- Additional new displays and three TV's showing either pictures, Train videos or the book about John Price playing on our second floor.

The Museum closed for the season on Oct. 24th but private tours can be booked with a group of 5 or more by calling 440-647-4367 and leaving a message.

October and November are membership renewal months. Please consider joining the museum or give a membership as a gift. Call Barb Leiby at 440-647-4367 and she will be happy to mail you a form.



Township Website

www.wellingtontownship.org

**Visit the township Facebook page
For public announcements search:**

Wellington Township Public Announcements

WELLINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES are seeking a township resident from the unincorporated area who would like to be involved in their community by serving as an Alternate Member on the Zoning Commission.

Information regarding the Zoning Commission may be found in the Ohio Revised Code at <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/519.04>

Interested residents may contact any Wellington Township Trustee or email the township at: Wellingtontwpcclerk@gmail.com

Did you know?

Wellington has had a library as far back as the 1840s, when a local merchant kept a rental library in his store.

In 1886, the library association turned its holdings over to the trustees of Wellington Township, and the first truly public, tax-supported library was established. The Library building was given to the people of the community by Myron T. Herrick.

As a youth here, Herrick was a dedicated reader; and when he became a successful Cleveland banker, he could think of no better gift for his home town than a well-stocked, well-equipped library.

The building was designed by Cleveland architect J. Milton Dyer and erected in 1902 on the site of the historic American House hotel. In 1928, Myron Herrick, then serving as ambassador to France, returned to Wellington to dedicate the plaque at the main entrance in memory of his parents.

Library Operating Levy on the November 2nd Ballot

The Herrick Memorial Library has a Library levy, Issue 36, on the November 2, 2021 ballot. This 1.25mil levy is a 5-year renewal. The Library is not asking for additional funding. It will cost the homeowner of a \$100,000.00 home \$34.80 per year and generate about \$313,900.00 per year; less than half of our total operating budget. As an example of the affordability: If you come to the Library and check out an adult fiction book (A Slow Fire Burning by Paula Hawkins \$28.00), or children's books (How We Got to the Moon by John Rocco, \$29.99; Elephants Cannot Dance, Mo Willems \$9.99; Josephine Against the Sea, Shakirah Bourne \$17.99; or Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid, Jeff Kenny \$13.99), or, DVDs (Godzilla vs. Kong, \$34.98; Disney's Raya and the Last Dragon, \$29.99), video games (Nintendo Switch's New Pokémon Snap, \$59.99; PlayStation 4's Ghost of Tsushima, \$59.99, Xbox One's Assassin's Creed: Valhalla, \$59.99; Nintendo Wii's Super Smash Bros., \$54.25; you will save \$399.15 (the cost of you purchasing these same items), more than the levy will cost you per year.

I didn't even list the digital e-books, e-audio books, or e-magazines which cost us approximately \$60-\$100 per item for a limited use of 24 times per item before we have to repurchase the licenses. The Library offers many additional services and programming for the community's educational, informational and recreational enjoyment. Please, remember the Herrick Memorial Library and what it does for you and the community and please vote Yes. ~ Janet Hollingsworth, Director

LCOOA Southern Satellite Office On Aging (SSO)

Lorain County Office on Aging (LCOOA), Southern Satellite Office (SSO) serves the Townships of Wellington, Brighton, Huntington, Penfield, Pittsfield, and Rochester and the Villages of Rochester and Wellington.

The agency provides: Social Work Support Services, Home Delivered Meals, Transportation to Healthcare Appointments, Chore Services, Housekeeping Services, Aging and Disability Resource Center, Emergency Food Pantry, and the Kinship Caregiver Program. We are always seeking volunteers to assist our at home neighbors with the Home Delivered Meals Program and Transportation Programs. ****Interested in assisting seniors near you with snow plowing and shoveling? Contact the office and let us know where you live, how much you are able or interested in helping and if there is a fee involved. Thanks!*



Ruth McManaway
SSO Administrative Assistant

The Southern Satellite Office (SSO) welcomes Wellington resident Ruth McManaway as the new SSO Administrative Assistant!!

The SSO is located at 105 Maple Street in Wellington. The office hours are Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The SSO serves seniors in the southern end of Lorain County. Contact Ruth for questions and a list of services provided including information on volunteer opportunities at 440-647-0777 or rmcmanaway@lcooa.org

Township Dumpster Days for 2022



Saturday January.15.22 Saturday, March.19.22
Saturday, May.21.22 Saturday, September.17.22

Remember to bag loose items!

***Scrap Tire Collection Site Information
Line: 440-329-5440**

Lorain County Collection Center

540 South Abbe Rd., Elyria

Mondays 9-3pm Wednesdays 12 to 6pm

Saturdays 9am-3pm

The Township will NOT be collecting tires.*

Dumpster Days are for residents from 9a.m.-1p.m. at the Wellington Township Maintenance Facility 105 Maple Street. There will be dumpsters available and scrap and Freon Appliances will be accepted. The Township will accept canes, wheelchairs, walkers, eyeglasses and cell phones. Residents may also drop off batteries from a car or lawnmower. No hazardous or infectious wastes, brush, waste oil, bricks, rocks, concrete, dirt or any material that is prohibited by state or federal law from being landfilled will be accepted.



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