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The Washington Township Board of Trustees passed a resolution requiring the registration and regulation of transient vendors and notification by charitable vendors within the unincorporated territory of the Township. It was determined that the unregistered and unregulated sales and solicitation by transient vendors create a risk of increases of crime, fraud, and invasions of privacy. The Board of Trustees desires to protect public safety and privacy interests of its residents, which interests are compromised by unregulated sales and solicitation by transient vendors. Our resolution was revised by Mr. John Borell with the Lucas County Prosecutors Office, and then passed by the Board of Trustees on September 17, 2003, being thirty (30) days following the filing of this resolution with the Washington Township Clerk. To give you a quick overview of this resolution, a transient vendor must first fill out a registration form at Township Hall and submit \$75.00 to apply for a permit to solicit in Washington Township. A permit is valid for 90 days and must be carried by the transient vendor and within plain view while selling or soliciting on the streets. This permit may not be transferred to any other individual, nor can it be issued to a group or team, and will not be issued on an organization-wide or company-wide basis. Transient vendors may only conduct door-to-door sales from 9:00 am till 9:00 pm Monday through Sunday. A transient vendor permit issued under this resolution may be revoked by the Township Trustees and/or the Township Clerk for various violations of this agreement. Any homeowner may register their home as a "Do Not Solicit" location by completing a "No Solicitation" form, which may be obtained at the Washington Township Office, 5714 Blessing Drive during normal business hours. The administrative secretary will maintain current lists of property addresses for which a "no solicitation form" has been completed. You will be provided with a "no solicitation" decal, which may be affixed to or near the front door. All transient vendors will be informed that attempted sales or solicitations of homes registered as a "do not solicit" location and where a "no solicitation" decal or sticker is affixed is subject to revocation of the vendor's permit. A copy of this resolution may be obtained at Washington Township Hall if you choose to review it in its entirety. Also, you may register as a "no solicitation" location after September 17, 2003. The decal will be provided to you free of charge.

This winter, the Board of Trustees and Clerk plan to review our lighting districts with Toledo Edison. With their help, we plan to evaluate the condition of street lighting and apparatus in each subdivision. After the evaluation is complete, we will then be able to accurately adjust each subdivision's account based on what repairs or replacements need to be addressed and the balance of the account. This assessment is voted on in the fall of each year by the Board of Trustees. We believe the funding in these accounts is more than adequate to make any necessary changes that may be needed.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT



Witches, Ghosts, and Goblins

Can you believe we are just over a month away from that "HAUNTING" time of year? Please take a moment and review some safety tips with your children. Wear bright or reflective clothing with the costumes, and **NO CANDY EATING UNTIL IT HAS BEEN INSPECTED**. As before, the Police and Fire Departments will be holding a free candy inspection at the Fire Station, 2469 Shoreland Ave. from 6 pm to about 9 pm on the night of Trick or Treat.

Orange Barrels, Construction and You

Have you had enough? As Alexis Road is now getting a repave, just a reminder that the speed limit along Alexis between Suder and Raintree is 40 mph. This construction zone, like any other, has a lower speed limit for the safety of the construction workers as well as your safety due to the shrinking traffic lanes and rough pavement. Fines are doubled in any work zone. For example a speeding ticket normally costs \$81.00 (under 21mph over posted speed limit Toledo Municipal Court) in the construction zone, this ticket would cost you \$162.00!! So please slow down and take a **DEEP BREATH** and keep this in mind as you think "happy" thoughts about the orange barrels!

School Days

That's right..... Summer is over and it's time to send the kids off to school. Just a reminder, the school zone speed limit in and around Shoreland School is 20 mph during restricted hours. Along Suder Ave. whenever those yellow lights are flashing, you **MUST** go no faster than 20 mph. Along East Harbor Drive, between Brophy and Suder, the "zone" is 20 mph when you see the kids!! Another sure sign that school days are here again are the yellow school buses. **ALL** traffic facing and behind a yellow school bus **MUST STOP** while the "red lights" and the "stop sign" are flashing. Please be extra careful when driving down side streets during the early morning and late afternoon hours. Let's keep our kids **SAFE!**

Number Please

Please take a moment and check your house to see if your address numbers are posted. During an emergency, time is one of the most precious commodities that we need, please help us to help you. **POST YOUR ADDRESS NUMBERS ON YOUR HOUSE OR MAILBOX**. If you need us for **ANY** reason, dial 911! When you call the Police Office you may get an answering machine and we may not get your message for some time, so please dial 9 1 1.

ZONING

The Lucas County Solid Waste Management District will hold a free one-day collection on Saturday, October 4, 2003, from 9 am to 2 pm. This collection is for used computer monitors, C.P.U.'s, keyboards, printers, mice, cell phones and car tires (ten passenger tires per vehicle). Computers contain many hazardous components such as mercury and lead that make it unsafe for disposal in a landfill. Your computer will be recycled or upgraded and distributed to schools by the Ohio Prison Industries. The cell phones will be donated to a domestic violence project where it will be reprogrammed to dial 9 1 1 in case of emergency. Tires will be shredded and used to make recycled rubber products. Residents will be charged a \$2.00 fee for any passenger tires over the 10 tire per resident limit. Please note that a licensed hauler is required to transport more than 10 tires. Business computers and tires will not be accepted. This collection is for Lucas County Residents only. The Lucas County Solid Waste Management District is under direction of the Lucas County Board of Commissioners. For more information, please call 419-213-2230. The locations for the collection are as follows:

Lucas County Recreation Center, 2901 Key St., Maumee. Information line 419-213-2230

Oregon Municipal Complex, 5330 Seaman Rd., Oregon. Information line 419-698-7016

U.S. Army Reserve Center, 9825 Garden Rd., Springfield Twp. Information line 419-213-2230

Storm water Pollution Solutions:



**When it rains
it DRAINS**

Washing your car and degreasing auto parts at home can send detergents and other contaminants through the storm sewer system. Dumping automotive fluids into storm drains has the same results as dumping the materials directly into a water body. Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on your yard so the water infiltrates into the ground. Repair leaks and dispose of used auto fluids and batteries at designated drop-off or recycling locations.

Leaking and poorly maintained septic systems release nutrients and pathogens (bacteria and viruses) that can be picked up by storm water and discharged into nearby water bodies. Pathogens can cause public health problems and environmental concerns. Inspect your system every three years and pump your tank as necessary (every three to five years). Don't dispose of household hazardous waste in sinks or toilets.



FIRE and RESCUE NEWS



Washington Township Fire and Rescue Department Annual Feather Party

Are you ready to shake your tail feathers with your local firefighters? The Washington Township Fire and Rescue Department is holding its annual feather party Friday, November 21st and Saturday, November 22nd at the fire station. The wheel will start spinning both Friday and Saturday nights at 7:00 pm and won't stop until midnight. Along with the raffles for the meat, poultry, and fish products, there will be plenty of door prizes too. As always, there will be tear tickets, the BIG 6 Wheel, and the coldest beverages in the Township in the truck bay. This year the feather party will be a smoke free event. There will be designated smoking areas provided for our smoking guests. We look forward to seeing you there.

**** Special appearances by the usual (or should we say unusual) wacky characters****



Run Totals for 2003 (as of August 27, 2003)

Fire: 30
Rescue: 207

The fire apparatus have been busy this summer. Not just on fires and rescues, you may have seen our apparatus in the Point Place Days Parade, at the Hot Air Balloon raising, the canoe race and the Genoa Homecoming Parade. If you are a football fan, you can spot our rescue squad at the Whitmer football home games. The fire apparatus will also be making a guest appearance at Shoreland Elementary School during **fire prevention week, October 6th - 10th**. Our apparatus will be out on Halloween passing out candy. Candy will be inspected at the station following trick or treating.

Fire Auxiliary

The Fire Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who participated in the neighborhood garage sale. They hope everyone who came out and shopped found some fabulous treasures. Another big thanks for all the people that stuffed their bellies at the pancake breakfast. The community support from our Township residents has been overwhelming and is greatly appreciated. Keep it up! If you are interested in joining the Fire Auxiliary please contact Andrea Green at (419) 726-6566 or by email at andrea@stapletoninsurance.com.

New Members

The Washington Township Fire Department is almost at a full roster. We currently have an opening for a volunteer firefighter. If you would like to get involved with the Township and become a firefighter and emergency medical technician come on down, call (419) 726-2453 or visit our website at www.wtfd.net for information on this exciting opportunity.

As a number of requests have been received on the status of the Police Fund, I have provided this financial report.

Becky Bodeffe, Clerk

Purpose	1994 Actual	1995 Actual	1996 Actual	1997 Actual	1998 Actual	1999 Actual	2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Actual	2003 as of 9/10/03	2004 Estimated
Special Levy											
Police Fund:											
Bal Jan 1st	\$ 57,191.65	\$ 43,197.43	\$ 43,512.06	\$ 32,503.63	\$ 54,450.24	\$ 49,982.46	\$ 92,607.21	\$ 98,029.66	\$ 73,588.73	\$ 16,288.59	\$ 1,288.59
RECEIPTS:											
Property Taxes	\$ 169,742.35	\$ 171,592.49	\$ 174,617.98	\$ 246,731.53	\$ 255,722.62	\$ 263,032.73	\$ 266,826.26	\$ 247,042.31	\$ 282,136.53	\$ 212,490.80	\$ 290,460.00
Advance Repaid							\$ 20,000.00				
Trans from General Fund				\$ 30,000.00		\$ 21,040.00		\$ 17,500.00		\$ 50,000.00	
Other	\$ 7,186.56	\$ 5,566.48	\$ 2,009.35	\$ 5,918.00	\$ 3,332.11	\$ 7,924.31	\$ 126.57	\$ 10,383.06	\$ 8,515.42	\$ 2,427.33	\$ 5,150.00
Total Rec and Bal	\$ 234,120.56	\$ 220,356.40	\$ 220,139.39	\$ 315,153.16	\$ 313,504.97	\$ 341,979.50	\$ 379,560.04	\$ 372,955.03	\$ 364,240.68	\$ 281,206.72	\$ 296,898.59
EXPENDITURES:											
Personal Services	\$ 112,750.95	\$ 114,864.10	\$ 117,543.88	\$ 126,119.99	\$ 135,910.94	\$ 138,338.69	\$ 178,593.65	\$ 238,644.73	\$ 237,950.09	\$ 206,614.75	\$ 266,255.00
Advance				\$ 30,000.00							
Capital Improvements	\$ 16,383.83	\$ 1,792.96	\$ 2,057.92	\$ 47,915.12	\$ 59,041.04	\$ 28,159.60	\$ 22,864.62	\$ 933.19	\$ 47,227.87	\$ 1,154.04	
Other	\$ 61,788.35	\$ 60,187.28	\$ 68,033.96	\$ 56,667.81	\$ 68,570.53	\$ 82,874.00	\$ 80,072.11	\$ 59,788.38	\$ 62,774.13	\$ 29,228.21	\$ 96,305.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 190,923.13	\$ 176,844.34	\$ 187,635.76	\$ 260,702.92	\$ 263,522.51	\$ 249,372.29	\$ 281,530.38	\$ 299,366.30	\$ 347,952.09	\$ 236,997.00	\$ 362,560.00
Bal Dec 31st	\$ 43,197.43	\$ 43,512.06	\$ 32,503.63	\$ 54,450.24	\$ 49,982.46	\$ 92,607.21	\$ 98,029.66	\$ 73,588.73	\$ 16,288.59	\$ 44,209.72	\$ (65,681.41)



Our Summer 2003 Road Project regulated by our five-year plan involves the grinding and resurfacing of Holliday, Jasik, Capri, Capshore, Northshore, and Randon Streets in Shoreland Heights subdivision. This process, "Phase Two", will complete the construction in this area. Also, the Raintree subdivision, which was resurfaced in 2002, has raised some concern. Various sections of the subdivision suffered from batches of sub grade asphalt and have been replaced this summer. In spring of 2004, we start on the plans for the milling and resurfacing project for Bridgeview, Point Pleasant Way, Coveview, Creekview, Shorebridge, and Rounding River.

Late summer we will be starting our annual crack-sealing program to preserve our roads. When you see the temporary "no parking" signs going up in your neighborhood you will know we are ready to start sealing in your designated area. After the road-sealing program is complete, we will move on to leaf pick-up. Again, we would kindly like to ask that you rake the leaves to the curb. Please avoid putting collected leaves in the streets. The leaves may become slippery causing road hazards and also could cause a car to catch on fire should someone park over them. We also would like to ask that you do not gather grass clipping, twigs, or limbs in your leaf piles, as this causes damage to our machine.

Three complete passes though the Township are planned, weather permitting of course.

With the advent of fall, winter leads us to the season of the snowplow. When the City of Toledo issues a snow emergency, the Township will follow suit. Washington Township has a "curb-to-curb" snow removal policy whereby all streets within the Township limits will be plowed and salted as conditions warrant. Crews will first plow the major roads and fire routes, and then the secondary streets will be serviced. Residents can assist us in several ways. We have asked you in the past not to shovel snow back into the streets, now we have a helpful hint for you. If you stand facing the street and shovel the snow to the right of your driveway, the plow will also carry the snow forward and to the right, hopefully not back into your drive. Also, cars need to be parked off the streets in the event of two or more inches of snowfall. A friendly reminder... We make wide turns, so please, do not attempt to pass us while we are plowing or follow to close. Lastly, our greatest concern, please stop children from playing to close to the plows or in snow piles close to the street. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Looking to spring, the replacement of the Summit Street Bridge project begins. As this project will greatly affect us all, we are assured that traffic will be maintained to one lane in each direction. Updates to follow in the next Newsletter. Any questions please call 419-726-6908 or email us.

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