



# Monthly Newsletter

March 2020

The Township office is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19.

If you need assistance please call 419.726.6621, Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., or email [office@washington-twp.com](mailto:office@washington-twp.com).

## 2020 Township Board Meetings

Meetings are held at Township Hall (5714 Blessing Dr.) on the third Thursday of the month, and are open to the public. Meetings start at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

APRIL 1st SPECIAL MEETING - 5:30 P.M.

*The meeting is open to the public via conference call, if you would like to attend please call, or email, the office for dial in conference #.*

April 16th  
May 21st  
June 18th  
July 16th  
August 20th  
September 17th  
October 15th  
November 19th  
December 17th

Meeting minutes can be found on our website at <http://www.washington-twp.com/meetingminutescss.htm>

## March Anniversaries



Washington Township Residents,

First and foremost, we hope everyone is well and staying safe.

As always, anyone experiencing a serious medical emergency should not hesitate to call 9-1-1. Lucas County 911 call takers and Lucas County EMS dispatchers are doing a great job screening and processing emergency calls. It is likely you will be asked additional questions during the 9-1-1 call. Please be patient and answer their questions as it gives us a better idea what protective equipment to use when caring for you or a loved one.

We are currently using enhanced personal protective equipment (PPE) in an effort to keep our members safe so that we can continue to deliver high-level service to you. On all EMS calls, WTFD crews are wearing a mask, goggles and sometimes disposable gowns. So if you see our crews wearing this protective gear on an EMS incident, it does not necessarily mean we are responding to a COVID-19 incident, but are taking a high level of precaution to protect our first responders.

We may also ask that patients wear a surgical mask in an effort to increase safety for you as well as our members.

Again, please be patient with these added measures. We assure you they

On 3/11/2020, Harry Thoman  
Retired!!

Thank you for your hard work and  
dedication!



### Links to COVID-19 Information and Resources

<https://lucascountyhealth.com/coronavirusupdates/>

<https://unemployment.ohio.gov/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

[https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/OHOOD/2020/03/22/file\\_attachments/1407840/Stay%20Home%20Order.pdf](https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/OHOOD/2020/03/22/file_attachments/1407840/Stay%20Home%20Order.pdf)

[https://www.congress.gov/bills/116th-congress/senate-bill/3548/text](https://www.congress.gov/bills/116/congress/senate-bill/3548/text)

<https://www.211unitedway.org/>

are for your benefit as well as ours.

We have been continually monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak and its potential impact on our Township. The WTFD has been in continual close communications with Lucas County Health officials, our medical directors and other public safety officials in assuring our safety forces both fire and police are on top of this crisis.

As always, our members are ready to respond should our residents or neighbors need our help at any time whether day or night. We pray for your safety as well as everyone across the country and throughout the world.

**Ronald Kay**  
**Fire Chief**  
**Washington Township Fire Department - Station 72**

### **Washington Township Police COVID-19 Directive**

When police are dispatched the unit can use discretion and contact the caller via telephone to resolve. If a caller refuses to have the call handled over the phone the officer will respond as normal to the location.

Types of calls for service that can be taken over the phone but not limited to:

- Theft motor vehicle (under 1k)
- Criminal Trespass
- Lost Property
- Criminal damage/motor vehicle
- Telecommunications harassment
- Identify fraud
- Custody dispute

We will continue to respond to ALL emergencies, traffic crashes, crimes in progress and personal crimes.

**Sincerely,**  
**Chief Christopher Kaiser**



# Stay at Home

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine issued a “stay-at-home” order for all Ohioans. This order goes into effect starting at 11:59pm Monday March 23. The following essential activities are permitted.

## **Health and safety**

Emergency services, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care profession.

## **Necessary supplies and services**

grocery shopping, and shopping for other items necessary for the household, and work from home operations. This includes carryout food.

## **Outdoor activity**

Visiting public parks, walking, and biking are permitted as long as people remain 6 feet apart. Playgrounds are closed.

## **Essential work**

Healthcare and public health operations, human services operations, government and essential infrastructure operations.

## **Care for others**

To care for family, friends, or pets, including transportation, weddings, and funerals.