



Kingston Township

February 2007

News

Comments from Chairman Bill Shively

Happy New Year everybody! I am Trustee Bill Shively and will serve as 2007 chairman of the Kingston Township Board of Trustees.

The trustees have just purchased Brown Township's dump truck for \$20,000. We will take delivery when their new truck arrives. Our old truck has more than 280,000 miles and their truck has just 38,000 miles and is in nearly new condition. This purchase will save the township more than \$70,000 if we had ordered a new truck with the same equipment.

The trustees and zoning personnel are working out the details on the land donations made by NorthStar. We hope to get the land transferred as soon as possible so the trustees can get the new township facilities built.

The township has a seat each on the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to be filled and also seeks an alternate on the BZA. The trustees will interview applicants at the February trustees meeting. You must be a resident of Kingston Township.

I would like to thank Bonnie Newland for her service to the township over the past two years.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call 740-524-2612.

Trustees

Bill Shively - Chairman
Dan Basham - Vice-Chairman

Porter Kingston Fire District and Health District Advisory Council

Bill Shively

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission

Bob Talbott
Dan Basham, Alt.

Eastern Delaware County Joint Recreation District

Elaine Eddy

Zoning News

We issued 42 zoning permits in 2006 compared to 45 in 2005.

A new final plan application for NorthStar has been submitted. The trustees approved hiring Poggemeyer Design Group (PDG) to review the plan. PDG was involved in reviewing the preliminary plan application during the rezoning process.

PDG was also hired to assist the Zoning Commission in reviewing the Planned Residence District (PRD) language and making revisions to the township's zoning code. To accommodate this process, the trustees also passed a more formal resolution than the December motion approving a PRD rezoning moratorium for six months which will last through July 4, 2007. This prohibits rezoning applications but does not affect home and accessory structure zoning permits.

We will advertise for impact study consulting bids to gather impending development cost/benefit information.

Zoning Positions Open

Bonnie Newland has resigned as Zoning Secretary. Persons interested in applying for the position, which averages 12-16 hours per week, should contact Fiscal Officer Greg Roy.

Anyone interested in serving on the Zoning Commission or the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) should contact Greg Roy. Each board has a five-year membership term open as well as an alternate position on the BZA.

The Zoning Commission is a recommending body that meets monthly and is charged with developing and revising the township's master plan and zoning resolution and making recommendations on rezoning applications.

The BZA is a quasi-judicial board that makes decisions on variance and conditional use applications and appeals. The board meets on an as-needed basis.

Members are paid \$25 per meeting and must be township residents. All applicants will be interviewed at the February 5 Trustees meeting.

BZA Action

The Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) met Dec. 18 to hear a Conditional Use Application from Charles and Virginia Wallace, 5125 Carter's Corner. The BZA voted unanimously to reject their application for a home occupa-

Kingston Township Meetings

Township Hall, 9899 St.
Rt. 521, Rt. 521 &
Carter's Corner Rd.

Trustees

First Mondays
7:30 pm

Feb. 5

March 5

Zoning Commission

3rd Wednesdays
7:00 p.m.

Jan. 24
(NEW DATE!)
Guest PDG

Feb. 21

March 21

Trash Days

Regular Thursday
Pick Ups
February-May

tion permit to operate a construction business.

Roads

A resident asked the trustees to post speed limits on county roads to control speeding. The County Engineer does not post the limits since state law dictates that roads not posted are 55 miles per hour. All roads in Kingston Township intersecting State Route 521 have intersection warning and Stop Ahead signs posted now.

YMCA

The Eastern Delaware County Joint Recreation District has formed sub-committees.

They have requested seed money from the Delaware County Commissioners and will meet with the Delaware County Auditor to investigate tax millage rates for a ballot issue.

Meetings are at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month on the third floor of the Sunbury Town Hall .

Trash Holidays

Buckeye Valley Waste, the township's exclusive residential trash hauler, observes six main holidays. Our normal trash day is Thursday. If those holidays fall Monday through Thursday, our trash pick up will be on Friday that week. The following is the 2007 Holiday trash day schedule:

- New Year's Day - Jan. 5
- Memorial Day - June 1
- 4th of July - July 6
- Labor Day - September 7
- Thanksgiving - November 23
- Christmas - December 28

Heat Homes Safely

State Fire Marshal Stephen K. Woltz reminds you to focus on fire safety when heating your home this winter and to use extra care if relying on alternative heating sources.

"I urge everyone to focus on safety and prepare carefully for their winter heating needs before the cold weather sets in. A failure to address safety concerns now can have devastating results later," said Marshal Woltz.

Last year in Ohio, 10 people died and 72 people were injured in 570 heating-related fires in homes throughout the state.

It's very important to have your home's heating system checked annually by a qualified professional. Furnaces, fireplaces, wood stoves, and their chimneys should be inspected and cleaned prior to every heating season.

Be certain you use alternate sources of heating, such as portable and kerosene heaters and wood burning stoves, according to their instructions and with extreme caution. For any space heater remember that - Space Heaters Need Space - at least 3' from anything that can burn.

To avoid falling victim to carbon monoxide - a colorless, odorless, potentially deadly gas produced by fuel-burning equipment, such as furnaces, wood stoves, fireplaces, and kerosene heaters - install at least one carbon monoxide alarm near sleeping areas. Call the fire department if the alarm sounds. Also, make sure you have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home and inside each sleeping area to alert you in the event of a fire.

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Recycle Bin, 2nd Thursdays for 1 week, Twp. Maintenance Bldg., Blue Church Rd.

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