



# Kingston Township

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# News

## Comments from Chairman Bill Shively

Hello Everyone! What a difference a year makes. Last year it rained all spring and summer, and this year we are in need of rain with very little in the forecast.

I would like to congratulate all of the Class of 2007 graduates from Big Walnut and Buckeye Valley school districts!

I also want to congratulate Jim Cook and the Cook family on a very successful grand opening of the NorthStar Golf Course. Everywhere I go, all I hear is how beautiful the golf course and the club house are!

The trustees are preparing to accept the 25-acre land donation from Robert Weiler. Once the land is deeded to the township, we can start planning the new township hall, community center, and park.

The County Engineer is planning to straighten the curve on Carters Corner Road and install a new two-lane bridge where the township land is located. This will make that area a lot safer and help with getting in and out of the new township hall. This is great news!

If you have a question or concern please call me at 740-524-2612.

## Zoning News

The Trustees held their public hearing on the zoning code revisions to the Planned Residential District (PRD) chapter on May 21.

Due to timing of the newsletter, the trustees sent a letter to township residents notifying them of the changes and the hearing details. Members of the zoning commission made a presentation about the reasons for the changes and the details of the changes being recommended.

The Zoning Office requested that Zoning Attorney Mike O'Reilly prepare resolutions to approve or deny the zoning commission's recommenda-

tion. The trustees voted to approve the recommendations for changes to the PRD chapter and definitions.

The Zoning Office is working on securing bids for an impact study to determine impact of developments on the township.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a hearing at 7 p.m. on June 19 on a variance request for a room addition at 4971 Wilson Rd.

## Pastures at Blue Church

Road construction on the relocation of Blue Church Road at Wilson Road is progressing. The relocation was a recommendation in the County's Thoroughfare Plan and joins the two Blue Church Road intersections into one. The work is being done by the Robert Weiler Company as part of its Pastures at Blue Church development. The company received Delaware County Regional Planning Commission approval to split 20 acres from the 606-acre parcel so the road work could begin. No other lot splits have occurred.

The Robert Weiler Company submitted a PRD rezoning application for the Pastures at Blue Church on May 4. On May 18, the Zoning Office rejected the application since it was incomplete. The application was resubmitted with additional information on May 25. The Zoning Office rejected the completed application May 29 due to the township's PRD rezoning moratorium currently in place.

## NorthStar Update

Zoning Inspector Bob Talbott has completed his review of the fourth submittal for the NorthStar Final Development Plan. He has worked with project engineers EMH&T to bring the plan into compliance with commitments made during the Preliminary Plan phase of the rezoning. Six items are still unresolved. The plan will

be forwarded to the zoning commission and the trustees to discuss resolution of those items. Upon resolution and acceptance of the plan, land transfers and development of the land can begin.

## Trash Service

If your trash account is not paid current, your trash **will not** be picked up. If your trash isn't picked up, call Buckeye Valley Waste at 1-866-204-0060. If your trash was missed, they will come back out to pick it up.

## Use Caution When Grilling

As Ohioans prepare for barbecues and backyard grilling this summer, State Fire Marshal Michael P. Bell urges you to take safety precautions when using your grill.

Last year in Ohio, 103 fires resulted from the use of a gas or charcoal grill. Six people, including one firefighter, were injured as a result of those blazes. According to reports collected from Ohio's fire departments, 72% of the grill fires started on the patio or yard while another 15% started on a porch or deck.

## Kingston Calendar

Meetings occur at the Township Hall, 9899 St. Rt. 521, (Rt. 521 & Carter's Corner Rd.) unless noted otherwise.

**Trustees Meet First Mondays, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Zoning Commission Meets Third Wednesdays, 7 p.m.**  
**Trash Pick Up Days: Thursdays** (except during holiday weeks\*)

Trustees Meeting	July 2, 7:30 pm
Trash Day	Friday, July 6 *
Trash Day	July 13
Zoning Commission	July 18, 7 pm
Trash Days	July 20 & 27

Most gas barbecue grills are fueled by Liquefied Petroleum (LP) gas or propane. Unburned LP gas accidentally released or leaking from a gas grill can cause a dangerous fire or explosion. Problems that lead to fires or explosions commonly occur at two times: during the first use of a grill after a long period of storage and when a new cylinder of propane gas is attached to the grill.

“We want people to have fun, yet be safe when grilling outside this summer,” says Marshal Bell. “It is important to follow the manufacturer’s directions and take some basic safety precautions when grilling.”

Marshal Bell asks grill users to exercise the following precautionary measures when using grills:

- Inspect grills closely prior to the first summertime use.
- Keep your grill on a flat, level surface 10' from any building. A grill should not be used inside or under a carport or breezeway. Never use a grill indoors.
- Do not move a grill that is in use.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area: declare a three-foot “kid-free zone” around the grill.
- Periodically remove grease and fat buildup in trays below the grill so it cannot be ignited by a hot grill.

**For charcoal grills:**

- Use the proper starter fluid and store the can out of reach of children and away from heat sources.
- Never add starter fluid when coals or kindling have already been ignited, and never use gasoline or

other combustible or flammable liquids in place of starter fluid.

**For gas grills:**

- Check the metal tubes that lead directly to the burner. During storage, insects can block these tubes. They can be cleaned following the manufacturer’s instructions, typically by using a pipe cleaner or wire to remove any blockage.
- Check hoses for cracks or holes and replace any hose that appears to be damaged. Remove any sharp bends that you find in the hoses.
- Follow your grill manufacturer’s instructions for checking the connection to the cylinder every time a new cylinder is connected to the grill. (An easy way to do this is to tighten the connection and then apply a soapy water solution around the connection. If bubbles appear, the connection is leaking. Turn the cylinder off, reconnect the cylinder and check again.)
- Do not attempt to repair the tank valve or the grill yourself.
- Never attempt to connect a cylinder to a grill unless they have matching connections.
- Always open the lid of a grill before igniting it with an electric igniter.
- If you smell gas, turn the grill off immediately and do not use it until the problem can be corrected.

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