



News

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Chairman's Chat – By Steve Volpe

Well Election Day has come and gone. I would like to thank everyone who took the time to vote. I know there were no issues and most races were uncontested, therefore not a lot of motivation. So, thank you for making the effort.

The township will be advertising this month for a consultant to help us take the first steps toward building a new township hall. The selected architectural/engineering firm will take the lead in developing a conceptual site plan, evaluating our needs and matching them with a building type and construction method. We will interview in December and get the ball rolling in January. The goal is to be ready for next November's General Election.

We are also trying to put together a Project Planning Team of residents to work with an architect on the initial feasibility study for our township hall property. If you have special design or construction skills, please consider volunteering to be on this select committee of six or eight members. I would imagine that we will have one or two evening meetings a month for the first few months of the year. This study must be completed by the end of June to make it onto the November ballot. If you are interested in serving on this committee, drop me a note at svolpe@kingstontwp.org or give me a call at 740-965-1802. I look forward to hearing from you.

There really is a lot is happening in and around Kingston Township. It's a great place to live and a great time to be alive. Until next month, take care and get out there and enjoy life.

October Zoning Report

Permits:

Four permits were issued in October:

- An accessory structure on Kilbourne Rd.
- Three new build homes on Blue Church Rd.

Complaints:

- Regarding the junk vehicle complaint 07-2012-COMP at 4827 Carter's Corners Road, Assistant County Prosecutor Fowler to attempt to get permission to inspect property. Owner has advised in writing that several cars have been removed, more fencing has been installed and tarped vehicles/parts removed. Case remains open. Dewey Akers and Bob Talbott attended the court hearing (status conference) on Oct. 28th. Permission to access property received. Talbott met with owner on Oct. 31 who agreed to add fencing on south and west sides to better close in vehicles. Two boats and seven cars/van/truck remain. Talbott to confirm commitments made are complete prior to next status conference scheduled for December 11.
- Complaint about property on SR 61 and Rosecrans Rd. about uncut grass, debris and sign. Letter sent to property owner on 06-28-13 asking for voluntary compliance. Similar letter sent in 2008 with very little remedial action taken. Some grass

was mowed, but sign and debris remained. Second letter sent on 08-16-13 again asking for voluntary compliance. More grass cut, but sign and accumulated debris remain. Case remains open. Letter from neighbor.

- Complaint about junk/debris on property on Berkshire Rd. Upon inspection from road it doesn't appear to be in violation (playground equipment, toys, patio furniture etc.).
- Home on Todd St. visited and building addition built without permit. Owner to be notified for compliance.

BZA Hearing:

On November 14, the BZA heard Thomas Uncapher's request for a Conditional Use to conduct a landscaping business from his home, and construct an accessory structure (30' X 54') at the rear of his property for business use. He also requested a Variance to use all 1,620 square feet of the accessory structure for business purposes rather than the 1,000 square feet permitted. The Conditional Use (Expanded Home Occupation) was granted, and he was authorized to construct a 1,620 square feet accessory structure. A Variance was approved for him to use all 1,621 square feet of the accessory structure for business purposes with the following conditions:

1. Before November 14, 2014, he must install natural screening material to shield outside material storage from the neighbors to the west.
2. When exterior lighting is installed on the accessory structure it must conform to the Zoning Resolution Lighting Standards.

NorthStar:

A technical review for 59 lots in Northstar was held on Nov. 12. On Nov. 24, the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission conditionally approved a preliminary plat for Northstar, Section 3 in Kingston Township to develop 59 single family lots on 76 acres located on the south side of Wilson Rd. about 1,600' west of Carter's Corner Rd. The plan calls for 46 acres of passive open space adjacent to the residential lots. Access to the lots will come from an unbuilt future phase of Northstar to the south, and a second access road off Wilson Rd. across from the Northstar Wastewater Treatment Plant. Internal streets will be curb-and-gutter with sidewalks. A future Del-Co Water Company water tower is located on an adjacent parcel to the east. Wilson Rd. will be widened to two 18' lanes and a 2' paved shoulder adjacent to the site. The approval was subject to the following conditions:

1. Road names must be assigned prior to Final Plat preparation.
2. Phase lines must be changed to allow platting of the drainage easements with the first section.

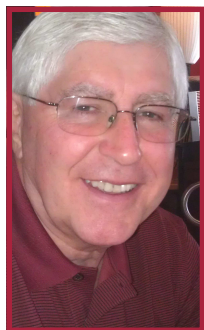
BZA Vacancy

The Kingston Township Board of Trustees will be appointing one position on the Kingston Township Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). The position is a five-year term that runs through December 2018. The BZA meets on an as-needed

basis hearing variance requests, appeals of orders issued by the zoning inspector, conditional use requests, and revocation of authorized variances and conditional zoning certificates.

Interested township residents should submit a letter of interest and a resume to the Kingston Township Zoning Office, 9899 State Route 521, Sunbury, Ohio 43074 or by email to zoning@kingstontwp.org.

This posting will remain open until the position is filled. Applicants will be interviewed by the Board of Trustees during their monthly meeting on December 3, 7 p.m., at the Kingston Township Hall. The applicant must be present to be considered for the position. Please contact the Zoning Office at 740-524-0290 with questions or visit <http://www.kingstontwp.org/Notices.htm>.



White Appointed to Zoning Commission

The trustees appointed new resident John White as the alternate to the Zoning Commission. His term runs through August 2015. White is the president of West Bridge St. LLC; a partner in Homestead Family Farm, a Christmas tree farm; and managing partner of Yankee Flyers LLC. He retired in 2011 after being an insurance agent for 25 years. White is a

Granville High School and Ohio State University graduate. We thank him for stepping up to serve his community.

PKFD Training



Your Porter Kingston firefighters conducted live fire training with BST&G on Sunday, October 27th in a house slated for demolition in the Village of Galena. They practiced live fire attacks in the morning and afternoon sessions. They set fire to pallets and straw in a room and the crews arrived on the truck, advanced a line, and extinguished it. PKFD had about 25 firefighters attend and completed 10 practices during the day. They also used the house for collapse training the following week then burnt it down a week later for the owner.

There are 12 people in the rescue tech class from PKFD, BST&G, Delaware City, Pleasant Township, and Worthington. The classes cover rope rescue, water rescue, auto extrication, building collapse, and trench rescue during 150 hours of class.

Santa's Coming to Town(ships)

Listen for the sirens and look for the lights on December 22nd. They will probably mean Santa Claus is coming down

your street. Firefighters from the Porter Kingston Fire District will give Santa Claus a tour of the townships prior to his big night. Please check the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/PKFDSantaTour for routes and times. In December, there will be weekly updates on the Facebook page. On the day of the tour which starts at 1 p.m., Santa's location will be updated at least every 15 minutes.

During the tour, you can meet Santa at the end of your driveway for a last minute request, a treat, and a picture. If your street is not on the route or you're not home, you can visit Santa anywhere along the route or stop at the Fire Station 4-5 p.m.



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ZONING

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Kingston Calendar

Meetings are at the Township Hall, unless noted otherwise. Trash pick up days are Fridays **except during holiday weeks***.

Trash & Recycling Days Nov. 30*
 Trustees Mtg. Dec. 3, 7 PM
 Trash & Recycling Days Dec. 6, 13 20, 28*
 Trash & Recycling Days Jan. 4*