



News

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Chairman's Chat – By Steve Volpe

I hope everyone had a great Labor Day Weekend. This year is really flying by. There are two things that may interest many of you.

First on the internet front ... we may have a new player coming to our township. Skywirez is working with Consolidated Electric on bringing high speed internet to our township. They say they can get the entire township covered relatively quickly. I am not sure about that but it may be worth pursuing. You might want to check out their website when you get the chance. I will try to keep you all posted as things develop.

Next, we are thinking about putting together a project planning team to look into what it would take to develop the land and build a new township hall and park. A group of our residents will work with an architectural/engineering firm to develop a general master plan for our land and a layout and funding sources for a park. As for the township hall, we will be tasked with creating a Program of Requirements (POR), researching building types, and establishing a hard budget. This should be a very exciting project and we hope to put a team together to begin work early next year.

A lot is happening in 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.

PKFD Receives \$25,000 Donation



Pictured accepting the \$25,000 donation are (l.-r.) PKFD Fire Chief Michael Thompson, Fire Board member Chris Bright, Oddfellows Lodge members Bob Pearl, John Johnston, and Frank Dewitt; Fire Board President Dewey Akers; and, Lodge members Joyce Hill and Mary Johnston.

The Porter Kingston Fire District thanks I.O.O.F. Olentangy Lodge 53 for its very generous donation of \$25,000 in the memory of Ellis Lewis. Lewis was a member of the Porter

Kingston Firefighters Association from April 1961 to July 1987. He was promoted to captain in March 1971 and to assistant chief in January 1972. He served in that capacity until July 1979. Lewis also served on the Porter Kingston Fire Board from January 1989 to December 1991.

August Zoning Report

Permits:

Two permits were issued in August:

- Garage on Blue Church Rd.
- Deck 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.
- 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.

Miscellaneous:

- Zoning Commission met on 08-21-13.
- Revised Driveway Culvert application and procedure posted on website.

Trustees Business

The trustees discussed a possible contract extension for township trash and recycling with Big-O. They also gathered information about financing and procedures for building a township hall from the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office.

David Rutter from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) attended the September trustees meeting to discuss MORPC's Balanced Growth Plan. Kingston Township participated with numerous townships, villages, and cities in developing the plan for the Big Walnut Watershed. The plan, which is voluntary, designates areas in the township as prime agricultural, conservation, or development areas.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Oct. 5

It's that time of year to clean out and safely dispose of your household hazardous waste. Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 5, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. at the Delaware County Fairgrounds. Residents (no businesses, schools, or religious organizations) can drop off their scrap tires, flammables,

corrosives, toxics/poisons, reactive materials, and electronics. For a list of acceptable items and which are free or have a fee, visit <http://www.delawarehealth.org/files/files/HHW.pdf>.

Kilbourne Fall Festival October 5

The Kilbourne Community Fall Festival will be on Saturday, October 5 at the Brown Township Park and Kilbourne United Methodist Church at 5591 St. Rt. 521. Admission and parking are FREE. Festivities include:

- 8-10 a.m. Breakfast
- 11 a.m. Parade
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- Noon-4 p.m. Family friendly games and events
- 12:30-3:30 p.m. Storytelling corner
- 1 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament
- All Day Vendors

For more information, call 740-524-6041.

Heritage Day is October 6

We'll celebrate Kingston Township's Bicentennial again on October 6 at the Myers Inn with the following events:

- 1-4 PM Music, covered wagon rides, old-time crafts, apple butter making, blacksmith shop, vintage vehicles, historical displays, and General Rosecrans statue
- 1:30 PM Certificates of Honor

Kingston Memory Books Available

Suzanne Allen's compilation of Kingston Township's history is available for \$31. Orders are due to Suzanne by Sept. 27. Contact her at pegasuspaints@aol.com.

PKFD Open House Oct. 12



The Porter Kingston Fire District will hold its annual open house, Noon-4 PM, on Oct. 12 at the fire house, 12844 Olive Green Rd. The event will feature live demonstrations at:

- Noon-4 PM Rope Operations
- 1 PM Auto Extrication
- 2 PM Helicopter Landing
- 3 PM Fire Burn

There will be free food and prizes all day. The event will also feature displays from the American Red Cross, Delaware County Sheriff's K-9 Unit, Delaware County Health Department, Delaware County Emergency Management Agency, Delaware County Emergency Medical Services, Ohio Highway Patrol, fire safety trailer, MedFlight, and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. We hope to see you there to help us celebrate Porter Kingston's 60 years of excellent service!

Volunteer Needed

The Kingston Township Board of Trustees is still searching for a resident willing to devote at least four evenings a year to serve your community as an alternate on the Kingston Township Zoning Commission. The Zoning Commission meets on a quarterly basis to deal with matters related to the Kingston Township Zoning Resolution, the Kingston Township Comprehensive Plan/Zoning District Map and other duties as defined within Chapter 519 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Interested Kingston Township residents should submit a letter of interest along with a resume to the Kingston Township Zoning Office. This posting will remain open until such time that the position is filled. Applicants will be interviewed by the Board of Trustees during their monthly meeting held on October 1, 2013, 7 p.m. at the Kingston Township Hall. The applicant must be present to be considered for the position. Letters of interest may be submitted to Kingston Township, 9899 State Route 521, Sunbury, Ohio 43074 or by email to zoning@kingstontwp.org. Please contact the Zoning Office at 740-524-0290 with questions or visit www.kingstontwp.org and look under Special Notices.

Sign up For Our Newsletter

Sign up to have the newsletter emailed directly to you. Contact us at kingstonnews@embarqmail.com. If you don't have email and would like a mailed copy, call the Township Hall at 740-524-0290.

Who To Call (740 Area Code)

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Greg Roy: 524-8591, fiscalofficer@kingstontwp.org

DELAWARE COUNTY EMS

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NEWS & INFO

Township Web Site: <http://www.kingstontwp.org>
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PORTER KINGSTON FIRE DISTRICT

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ROADS & CEMETERIES

Doug Crowl, 740-815-8427 roads@kingstontwp.org

TRASH & RECYCLING

Big-O Refuse: 1-888-924-BIGO (2446)
 e-mail: service@bigorefuse.com
 web: <http://www.bigorefuse.com>

ZONING

Robert Talbott: 524-0290, Fax: 524-5304
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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*.

Trustees Mtg. Oct. 1, 7 PM
 Trash & Recycling Days Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25