



News

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Chairman's Chat – By Steve Volpe

It's hard to believe that the kids are back in school! Where did the summer go? It has been a great one for us and we hope it's been good for you, too. We do need to watch out for kids waiting for or getting off the school buses and new young drivers who will be driving to school. Please be careful and patient with all on our streets.

As time marches on, many of us begin to anticipate the Delaware County Fair that runs September 14th-21st. Let's not forget what goes along with that. It's harvest time. There will be a lot of machinery on the roads and it will not be moving very quickly. Be very careful as you approach and pass this machinery. Our roads are very narrow and curves and dips can make this maneuver very dangerous.

Summer is winding down. Make sure you make time to get out and enjoy it while we have it. Until next month, take care and get out there and enjoy life.

Giffin Reappointed



Rick Giffin was reappointed to a new five-year term through August 2018 on the Kingston Zoning Commission. Giffin was appointed to fill a vacancy on the commission in June 2011 after serving as the commission's alternate since April of 2010. He originally served as an alternate on the Board of Zoning Appeals for several years. Giffin is a retired Columbus School teacher.

July Zoning Report

Permits:

- Three permits were issued in July for a new home on Blue Church Rd.; an above ground pool on 3 Bs & K Rd; and, an in-ground pool on Blue Church Rd.

Complaints:

- Regarding the junk vehicle complaint 07-2012-COMP at 4827 Carter's Corners Road, Assistant County Prosecutor Fowler sent a final letter advising resident that a lawsuit would be filed on May 31st if no action taken. No action has been taken and Fowler was advised to proceed. Fowler will 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.
- Complaint about property on SR 61 and Rosecrans Rd. about uncut grass, debris, and sign. Letter sent to property owner, awaiting response. Similar letter sent in 2008 with very little remedial action taken. Some grass has been mowed, sign and debris remain.
- Complaint about grass mowing sign on N. Galena Rd. and vehicle for sale sign on Kilbourne Rd. received from same resident. Both issues have been corrected by owners. Closed.
- Received complaint about odors from burning trash each

night at neighbors on Carters Corner. Complainant will attempt to contact neighbor and seek resolution on their own.

Miscellaneous:

- Side yard setback variance hearing held for garage on Blue Church Rd. BZA approved.
- Attended site review for platting of 59 lots in NorthStar Development. Major Amendment for relocating road access across from Wastewater Treatment Plant may be requested requiring public hearings and determination by Trustees. No further action has been taken by developer.
- A quarterly Zoning Commission meeting was held August 21.

New Letterhead



A big thank you goes out to Kingston Township resident Paul Montgomery for donating his drawing of the old Blue Church to be featured on new cemetery letterhead. The township trustees and zoning staff also have new letterhead and business cards featuring the new bicentennial logo designed by Doug Crowl.

Roads

Twigg-Hupp Road will be closed to through traffic Sept. 3-27 for culvert replacement.

Kingston and Berkshire townships are submitting a joint grant application to the Ohio Public Work Commission to widen Berkshire Road. The Kingston Township Trustees also continue to work with the Delaware County Engineer on the Berkshire Road drainage improvements project.

The trustees are also working with the county engineer to discuss a cooperative effort for Wilson Road improvements in the NorthStar wastewater treatment plant vicinity.

Trustees Business

Trustees continue to work with Time-Warner to improve internet access in the township. Time-Warner hopes to run a line over I-71 on Kilbourne Road to service northern areas of the township. The easement needed requires Ohio Department of Transportation approval.

The township trash and recycling contract is up for renewal. The trustees will talk with current contractor Big-O about service concerns and a possible contract extension.

David Rutter from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) will attend the September trustees meeting to discuss MORPC's Balanced Growth Plan.

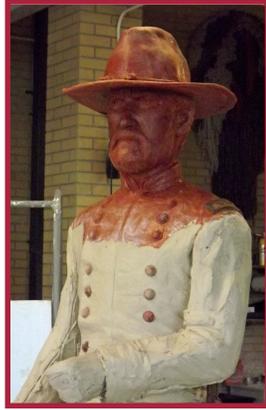
The old fuel oil furnace in the Township Hall has been replaced with a high efficiency propane furnace.

A representative from Ross Sinclair spoke at the July trustees meeting about their Ohio Township Master Lease Program. They offer financing options for a new township hall

that include a lease/purchase program which offers a 15-year 5% lease or a 20-year 5 1/2 % lease; selling Limited Tax Obligation Bonds for up to 30 years at 4-5%; or, having Delaware County purchase the debt at a higher rate (because it's a non-rated township security). The trustees will continue to investigate options for building a new township hall and plan to invite the county prosecutor to a meeting to discuss options.

Rosecrans' Statue Dedication

The General Rosecrans Statue Dedication will be on September 28 on the Sunbury Square starting at 12:30 p.m. with a book signing in the Myers Inn Museum by Frank Varney, author of *General Grant and the Rewriting of History: How the Destruction of General William S. Rosecrans Influenced Our Understanding of the Civil War*. At 2 p.m., a military parade of men and women in uniform will start with the firing of cannons. At 3:30 p.m., there will be a dedication ceremony unveiling the Ohio Historical Marker for Major General W.S. Rosecrans and the local glacial errata and the unveiling of the Rosecrans Statue. Remarks will be given by Colonel Robert J. Dalessandro. A Civil War Ball will begin at 7 p.m. at General Rosecrans Elementary School. At 9 p.m., there will be Civil War artillery night fire.



Kilbourne Fall Festival October 5

The 17th annual 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
10:30 a.m.	Parade line-up, Brown Township Park
11 a.m.	Parade with Grand Marshalls Richard and Dottie Dawson and a covered wagon carrying the Kingston Bicentennial banner. Walkers (in costume if they want) and vintage cars are needed to follow the wagon.
11:30 a.m.	Lunch
Noon	Horseshoe Tournament sign-ups (Contact C Dee's Lil' Store at 740-524-3191.)
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

To volunteer or support the festival, contact Jean Hightower at 740-524-5401 or jean1946@frontier.com. For a vendor spot, contact Violet Cummings at vmlc1952@yahoo.com. To participate in the parade or for more information, call 740-524-6041. We hope to see you there!

Heritage Day is October 6

We'll celebrate Kingston Township's Bicentennial again during Heritage Day October 6, 1-4 p.m., at the Myers Inn in Sunbury. Certificates of Honor will be presented at 1:30 p.m. to those 80 years and older and those who have lived in Kingston Township for 50 years or more. Bring the family to enjoy music, covered wagon rides, old-time crafts, apple butter making (donate any apples you don't need), blacksmith shop, vintage vehicles, historical displays, and see the newly dedicated statue of General Rosecrans on the Sunbury square.

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 September 3, 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.

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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.Sept. 3, 7 PM
 Trash & Recycling Days Sept. 7*, 13, 20, 27