



# KINGSTON NEWS

## Chairman's Chat

By Dewey Akers, Trustees Chairman

Hello,

The couple of warm days recently were nice, even though short lived. With the temperature changing so radically, be sure to watch for ice in the early mornings.

Porter Kingston Fire District Chief Thompson and I had a meeting with an attorney connected to the Simon/Tanger outlet mall to clarify the effects of the Berkshire Landing New Community Authority (NCA) on the fire district. This NCA proposes a 0.5 percent sales tax on gross retail sales within the mall. The NCA was voted on and passed by the Delaware County Commissioners in February. Simon/Tanger will front approximately

\$17 million to build state mandated infrastructure improvements associated with the mall. Sales tax revenue will initially go back to the Simon/Tanger developers. The NCA causes no burden to our fire district.

There are still vacancies on both zoning boards. This is your township. Please join us and take part in making this a better place to live and raise a family.

If you have any concerns about township operations, feel free to call me anytime at 740-803-1529 or come to our meetings on the first Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting has been moved to 3:30 p.m.

Thanks, Dewey

## January Zoning Report

### Permits

- One permit was issued for an accessory building on 3 Bs & K Rd.
- One lot split on 3 Bs & K Rd. was approved.

### Complaints

- We received a complaint

about barking dogs on Todd Street. We referred the resident to the Sheriff's Office who is following up.

### Miscellaneous

- Bob Talbott will attend a grant writing seminar

## CALENDAR

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

Trustees Mtg. March 3, 3:30 PM

Trash Days March 6, 13, 20, 27

## CONTACTS

(740 Area Code)

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### FISCAL OFFICER

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### DELAWARE COUNTY EMS

Emergency: 911; Business: 833-2190

Web: [www.delcoems.org](http://www.delcoems.org)

### NEWS & INFO

Township Web Site: [www.kingstontwp.org](http://www.kingstontwp.org)

Newsletter Editor: Jeanna Burrell, 965-1914

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### PORTER KINGSTON FIRE DISTRICT

Emergency: 911; Business: 524-5050

Email: [PKFD@rrohio.com](mailto:PKFD@rrohio.com);

Web: [www.PKFD.org](http://www.PKFD.org)

### ROADS & CEMETERIES

Doug Crawl, 740-815-8427,

Email: [roads@kingstontwp.org](mailto:roads@kingstontwp.org)

### TRASH & RECYCLING

Big-O Refuse: 1- 888-924-BIGO (2446)

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### ZONING

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

Email: [zoning@kingstontwp.org](mailto:zoning@kingstontwp.org)

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## Vacancies

The trustees will appoint one alternate position on the Kingston Township Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to fill an existing term through December 2015; one BZA position through Dec. 2019; and, a zoning commission alternate position through Aug. 2015.

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](mailto:zoning@kingstontwp.org).

Applicants will be interviewed by the trustees during their monthly meeting March 3, 3:30 p.m., at the Kingston Township Hall. Applicants must be present to be considered for the position. Contact the Zoning Office at 740-524-0290 with questions or for more information, visit <http://www.kingstontwp.org/Notices.htm>.

## Roads

The township sent two Requests for Engineering Assistance (REAs) to the County Engineer's Office for culverts on Blaney and Blue Church roads.

We received a quote

from the County Engineer's Office for grader paving on Stockwell Road this summer followed by chip sealing in cooperation with Berkshire Township. We are also getting quotes on other grader paving for township roads.

Road Superintendent Doug Crawl created a digitized map of the township culvert inventory and of the Blue Church Cemetery.

Crawl is meeting with the Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District to address the drainage issues at the township's farmland.

## Porter Kingston Fire District 2014 Report

The Porter Kingston Fire District (PKFD) responded to 322 calls for assistance in 2014 with a total of 1,743 individual responses of personnel, averaging six personnel per run. Personnel averaged 60 runs each for the year.

PKFD supplied mutual aid to the surrounding area a total of 109 times and received mutual aid 54 times.

PKFD responded to 24 structure fires, 71 medical assists, and 53 motor vehicle accidents.

The District's ISO rating improved to a 4/4Y

reducing residents' homeowner insurance rates.

Three new firefighters were hired and we currently have 28 personnel who completed 127 hours of EMS training, 1,372 hours of fire training, and 99 hours of HAZMAT training.

Two firefighters completed the Howell Rescue class and two completed the Rescue Technician course. Three firefighters completed Hazmat Technician class.

PKFD purchased four new sets of turnout gear and received a \$1,500 EMS Grant from ODPS.

The gutters and windows on the station were replaced.

They added a new Genesis Ram, Genesis Cutter, and Genesis Battery Power pack to ER381 and replaced two Cold Water Rescue suits.

## Dialing Changes

With the new 220 area code overlay for the 740 area code, you will have to dial area code + telephone number or 1 + area code + telephone number beginning March 21.

Beginning April 22, new phone numbers may be assigned the 220 area code.

Existing phone numbers and costs for calls do not change. There is also no change in dialing 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, 711, 811, or 911.

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