

"GROWING TOWARD THE FUTURE"

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GENERAL OPERATING UPDATES/TOWNSHIP COMMITMENTS

As the result of the generosity of Hanover Township voters, the Board of Trustees has been following through on commitments made to Law Enforcement, Road Maintenance, Fire Department and Park Operations. As was published earlier, the Township was able to enter into a renewal contract with the Butler County Sheriff's Office to provide two deputies to patrol Hanover Township only and not cut back any services. Deputies cover first and second shifts staggered and overlapping days to have coverage all seven days during the week.

For the Fire Department, a new combined pumper and tanker unit was purchased and is operational. The combined unit saved the Township over \$200,000.00. A Fire/EMS Command vehicle has been purchased and is in service. A second Lucas System (CPR)

Compression system) has been purchased . The first two EMS Squad units now have the Lucas System to address cardiac arrest emergencies.

For the Road Department, the Board of Trustees purchased a new dump truck/snow plow which is operational. A new roadside enclosed tractor mower has been purchased and is operational, with updated safety features which will replace old outdated equipment. The Board continues to analyze road maintenance needs and challenges to improve safety and efficiency in road operations.

SNOW ADVISORY INFORMATION AND YOUR HELP NEEDED!

Under Ohio law the County Sheriff has the authority to issue snow advisories to alert area residents as to potentially bad road conditions. In Butler County, the Sheriff's Office consults with the County Engineer, Emergency Management Agency, Township Officials and the Ohio Department of Transportation when considering the issuance of a Snow Advisory. Ohio has three levels of snow advisory classifications:

Level 1: Roadways are considered hazardous. Motorists are urged to drive very cautiously.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

New Years Day Wednesday January 1st

Martin Luther King Day January 20th

President's Day Monday February 17th

Voting Election Primary Tuesday March 17th

TOWNSHIP OFFICE CLOSED:

- Tuesday December 24th half day;
 Wednesday December 25th all day
- New Years Day Wednesday January 1st
- Martin Luther King Day January 20th
- President's Day Monday February 17th

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Level 2: Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Portions of roads can be very icy. Only those who believe it is necessary to drive should be out on the roadways. Individuals are urged to contact their employer to see if they should report for work. Drivers are urged to use extreme caution.

Level 3: All roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel. No one should be driving during this condition unless it is absolutely necessary or a personal emergency exists. Employees are urged to contact their respective employers to determine if they should report for work. Anyone traveling on the roads under this condition may be subject to arrest.

Residents may seek details about conditions from local news media and for changes in conditions. A current listing of snow advisory conditions may be viewed on the Butler County Sheriff's website at www.butlerheriff.org. Additional details may be obtained by calling the County-wide emergency information phone number 513-785-5800. Hanover Township has designated certain lanes of streets in neighborhoods to be snow emergency routes.

Vehicles along Snow Emergency Routes must be moved during declared snow emergencies or risk being towed. Questions for Hanover Township road officials may be directed to 896-7800.

HELP PROMOTE SAFETY AND ASSIST ROAD CREW EFFORTS THIS WINTER SEASON

The Township seeks assistance from residents on narrow streets and in residential subdivisions in removing parked vehicles from the street, especially in cul de sacs during snow and ice conditions to allow snow plows and equipment to safely and effectively treat all streets. Vehicles along Snow Emergency Routes must be moved during declared snow emergencies or risk being towed.

To help promote safety and assist the road crews, please consider the following:

- Park vehicles off the street to assist snow/ice removal efforts.
- Remove items such as garbage cans and basketball hoops from the right-of-way areas.
- Do not push snow into the street when clearing your driveway. This can create an unexpected hazard and require additional attention by road crews. It would be helpful f possible not to clear

- your driveway until the snow plow has come down your street. Snow must be pushed to the side of the road and may include driveway entrances.
- If following a snow plow please do not get inpatient and let the drivers do their job.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Did you Know: The Board of Trustees is responsible for geographic territory covering 36 square miles and for 35.9 Township road miles.

Building and Zoning Code Questions: If you have concerns about matters related to zoning, building permits, fences, junk vehicles, raising farm animals or unsightly debris, please call the **Butler County Building and Zoning Department** at 513-887-3205 for assistance.

Public Safety: Hanover Township Fire and EMS units responded to 777 runs and details in 2018. Fire Department Inspectors completed 20 Fire Code inspections in the Township. Average response time for the year was 7.90 minutes. The Butler County Sheriff's Office Deputies (2) under contract with Hanover Township responded to 2,111 dispatched details, made 44 arrests, and provided 57,600 minutes of Community Oriented Policing patrolling neighborhood streets.

Recycling for Hanover Township: Only one recycling location remains in Hanover Township at 1880 Morman Road, northern Park Parking Lot.

Please follow recycling instructions. No general waste or building materials are allowed. The Township has added during the summer added two more receiving bins.

You can recycle the following items at a drop box or at the curb: Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, phone books, brown paper bags, office paper, cardboard, paperboard (such as cereal boxes), plastic bottles & jugs, glass bottles & food jars, aluminum cans, steel cans and empty aerosol cans (remove tip).

Residents should contact an area waste hauler to set up household trash collection and curbside recycling. Haulers in the area include Rumpke, CSI Waste and other local waste haulers.

Thanks to Amy Macechko of Talawanda School District and the Coalition for a Healthy Community for planting tulips in the Hanover Township Memorial Park and for arranging seminars for community participation. The plantings were provided to represent the commitment that our community has made to our young people by supporting their decisions to make healthy choices. *Also special recognition* to the Flores AMO Garden Club for plantings and work provided to the Millville Cemetery.

The Hanover Haunted Harvest was a huge successes. Over 350 kids received treats, participated in contests and had the opportunity to visit with Darth Vader, Queen Patima Amidala, Poe and Rey of the Star Wars era. The 13th annual Veterans Day Ceremony featured keynote speaker Lt. Colonel Matthew Goodman of the US Air Force, commander Miami University Rote Detachment 640. Other ceremony participants included retired Marine Sergeant Helen Rogers and Assistant Director

of Agriculture of the State of

Ohio Timothy S. Derickson.

Special Thanks to Major Sponsor, Community Partners and Community Event Supporters in 2019 who helped the Township keep "Growing Toward The Future": Butler Rural Electric Cooperative, Stony Run Enterprises, Reffitt's Garage and Towing, Rice Auto Body, Talawanda Band Members, Kelly's Bakery, Arlin's Bar & Restaurant, Bonnie Sipe, Margie Fantelli, Pat and Larry Miller, Clay Calihan, Julie Prickett, Ron Sipe, Mel Derickson, Bob Krieger, Stephanie Lentz, Bruce E. Henry, Jeff Buddo, Terry Moran, Beth and Eddie McDonald- Hanover Winery, Allstate Insurance, Patient Care Pharmacy, Hanover Ladies Industrial Band, and First Millville Baptist Church. Special "thanks" to the Park Committee for the volunteer efforts supporting Township events: Angie Clausen, Jeff Buddo, Bob Krieger, Stephanie Lentz, Joe Pyfrin, Terry Moran, Diana Ramsey, Mike Tilton and John Baumgartner.

Special Civic Recognition: The Board of Trustees salutes and thanks Butler County Sheriff's Office, Lane Library, Talawanda High School Band Members and US Air Force ROTC Detachment #640 Miami University and Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Goodman US Air Force, Commander Miami University for participation in Hanover Township events in 2019.

2020 TENTATIVE ROAD PROGRAM FOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP

The 2020 Road Improvement Program set forth by the Board of Trustees involves several streets and different applications. This work is bid through the Butler

County Engineer's Office to save money and work will occur during the 2020 construction season. Re-base and

patching work is scheduled for Darrtown Road dead end 150 feet, Decamp Road two spots 70 and 100 feet respectively, Cochran Road 100 feet and repair of cross cracks on Jesse Drive. Chip and Seal work scheduled for Hussey Road Dead end to US 27 and Brunner Road dead end to Stahlheber Road

has been postponed to 2020 due to bid and construction complications. Road Re-Trace work is scheduled for Cochran Road from Reily Millville to Hamilton Scipio, Stahlheber Road from

Millville Oxford to the Township Line, Nichols Road from Lanes Mill to the Township Line and Vizedom Road from Old Oxford Road to Hamilton Richmond Road. Other work under consideration is the replacement of the Gene Avenue culvert/bridge. (Grant funds are being sought for this project.) The Gene Avenue culvert is scheduled for

replacement depending upon the award of grant money for the project. The Hanover Township Road Department will provide other smaller maintenance projects throughout the year.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board of Trustees holds Township business meetings once a month, usually on the second Wednesday of each month. However, due to scheduling conflicts the date may be changed. The 2020 organizational meeting is scheduled for January 22 and the February meeting is set for February 19. Meeting schedule information is posted on the Township website. To verify the schedule, residents may call 513-896-9059 and press option #1.

Meetings start at 6:00 PM in the Community Center located at 2595 Old Oxford Road. Business may be scheduled for the meeting agenda by contacting the Township Administrator at 896-9059 in advance. Meeting minutes are posted on the Township website.

ROADS ASSISTANCE NUMBERS Township: 513-896-7800

> 513-867-5744 ODOT: 513-863-6609

BCE Office:

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SPECIAL EVENTS HANOVER TOWNSHIP 2020

Hanover Township is planning several community special events. The Park Committee, Veterans Committee and Township Administration are working on several programs to be announced as the year unfolds. Four major events planned for the 2020 year include the following and Community Halloween night is also listed:

JUNE 27, 2020 - KIDS FEST

1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Kids Fest with games, food, contests and interactive activities for children 2 to 14 years of age.

AUGUST 22, 2020 - COOL CARS-FINE WINE-NICE MUSIC

4:00 p.m. and concludes at 9:30PM. Classic Car Cruise In with prizes, good food, wine tastings with up to 4 wineries, and music. Free admission.

OCTOBER 25, 2020 - HANOVER HAUNTED HARVEST FOR KIDS

Hanover Township Memorial Park 4:30PM to 6:30PM. Candy, refreshments, Costume Contest, Pumpkin Decoration Contest for kids ages 2 through adults. Civic groups are welcome to participate by contacting the Township Administration (896-9059)

OCTOBER 31, 2020 - TRADITIONAL HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT

Activities from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 11, 2020 - VETERANS DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

11:00 a.m. followed by a reception luncheon, free for veterans at the Community Center.