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A Message from your Jackson Township Officials

Jackson Trustees Organize for 2021

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The Jackson Township Trustees have organized the Board for 2021, electing Todd J. Hawke as Chairman and John E. Pizzino as Vice Chairman.

(Left to Right):
Randy Gonzalez, Fiscal Officer/Economic Development Director, Todd J. Hawke, Chairman, Jim Thomas, Trustee, and John E. Pizzino, Vice Chairman.

Board of Trustees Meetings

Meetings are the second and fourth
Tuesdays of each month.
Executive session and/or work session
at 4:00 pm, with the general
session at 5:00 pm.

Opening & Planning for the Jackson Amphitheater!

The Jackson Township Board of Trustees is cautiously optimistic that things will get back to "normal" very soon.

Working with the Stark County Health Department, the administration is planning how to safely provide for upcoming events including the opening of the Jackson Amphitheater in North Park.

We are excited to announce that several bands and the Canton Symphony Orchestra are scheduled to perform. The bands include Hard Days Night – Beatles tribute band, Eaglemania - Eagles tribute band, Tusk – Fleetwood Mac tribute band, and Barracuda - The Essential Tribute to Heart.

Before the Jackson Amphitheater is permitted to host events during the pandemic, it was necessary to enclose the area and install a fence. The Board of Trustees used CARES Act funds for this purchase. The fence will provide control of the flow of attendees by having entrances and exits. Also, a maximum occupancy limit will be established. Strict social distancing guidelines will be enforced for events at the Jackson Amphitheater.

Even with the addition of the fencing, other obstacles exist and new ones could surface which will ultimately impact scheduling and programming of this new community jewel.



The Jackson Township Board of Trustees is actively planning for the Community Celebration which is scheduled for Wednesday, June 23 through Saturday, June 26, 2021. Please look for additional details in the June newsletter, our social media Facebook page, Jackson Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, and our website www.jacksontwp.com.

Recycling for our Future



Thank you everyone for helping to protect the public health and safety of our community through recycling. The three biggest recyclables found in landfills are food, plastic, and paper/paperboard. We currently offer bins to recycle two of the three, with additional bins for aluminum. Due to popular demand, we have now recently added recycling bins for glass at these locations, as well.

We have had our Recycling Bins in place at South Park, Jackson Middle School and Strausser Elementary since early fall and have been extremely successful. Even though these bins are labeled, there have been questions as to what actually falls under each of these categories.

Just because a recycling symbol or even "recyclable" are indicated on materials, they are not always accepted curbside or at drop-off locations. Please find below some general guidelines as to what NOT to put in the bins.

- **Plastic Bags from grocery and convenience stores:** these bags can get tangled on the sorting equipment at the facilities and needs to be manually removed. This also includes bubble wrap, 6-pack rings, fencing, shower curtains, and shrink-wrap.
- **Styrofoam:** This extremely light material is very costly to transport. It can blow out of the recycling bins and trucks during transportation and pollutes our environment, actually defeating our original purpose to recycle! This also includes Styrofoam food containers and packaging peanuts.



**While these items are not acceptable in the drop off bins, they can be recycled through other businesses in the District. Please call the Joint Solid Waste District at 330-874-2258 or 800-678-9839 for these locations.*

To view a more inclusive list of what is acceptable to recycle, please refer to the Joint Solid Waste District website at www.timetorecycle.org.

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- **Plastic CD's and covers, video cassettes and cases, chip and bread clips, plastic folders, binders, dishes, utensils, lids and caps, hangers, safety shields and glasses, and toys.**
- **Antifreeze or Motor Oil containers:** These types of bottles may be of a #1 or #2 plastic grade, however, they also contain hazardous materials and are not wanted at recycling facilities.
- **Non-container glass:** All glass is not created equal. Glass is often treated with chemicals to make windows, mirrors and drinking glasses. This in turn gives this glass a different melting point making all the glass unusable when recycled together.
- **Auto parts, computers and electronics, desk accessories, exercise equipment, garbage cans, pipe, plastic lumber, political signs, and swimming pools.**

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Jackson Township Fire Department News



Tracy R. Hogue, Fire Chief

CHIEF HOGUE'S FAREWELL

This will be my last newsletter article to the Jackson Community. During my ten years of service as Fire Chief, I hope that I have been able to keep you and your family fire safe and helped to educate your

family to insure their safety.

The mission of the Jackson Township Fire Department has always been and will continue to be: to provide the residents we serve with the highest level of fire suppression, fire prevention and paramedic services. I have been blessed to have a very dedicated staff of firefighters, paramedics, and fire inspectors. They spend a tremendous amount of time developing their skills to mitigate any situation in an efficient, effective, and professional manner. The department takes great pride in providing all of these services to the community.

It has been a privilege to serve as the Fire Chief of Jackson Township. I have been fortunate to be a member of the noblest profession and have the utmost respect for my brothers and sisters with whom I have served, and now leave behind to continue the tradition of great service to this community.

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve you!

Respectfully,

Fire Chief Tracy R. Hogue



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Nearly 70% of the Jackson Township firefighter/paramedics have received the Moderna vaccine. Most firefighter/paramedics experienced mild reactions such as chills, headache, or a low-grade temperature. Several weeks into the vaccination process, the Fire Department can report a significant reduction in the number of positive cases of COVID-19 among this group.



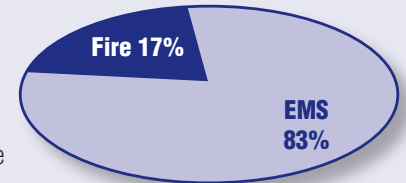
Fire Chief Tracy Hogue receiving his COVID-19 vaccine

In addition to following the guidelines of the CDC and the Stark County Health Department including the use of personal protective equipment, the availability of the vaccine has truly made a difference in our battle with this pandemic. In essence, the Jackson Township Fire Department is doing our part to STOP THE SPREAD.

The Jackson Township Fire Department encourages EVERYONE to receive the vaccine.

2020 YEAR END REPORT & STATISTICS

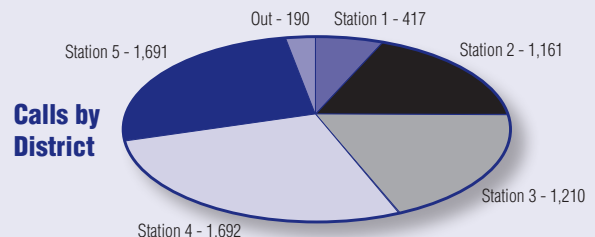
The Jackson Township Fire Department (JTFD) experienced an extremely unusual year with a 14% decrease in service calls. The year 2020 ended with 6,361 service calls. Consistent with 2019, 83% of the calls were emergency medical related with the remaining 17% being either fire or miscellaneous in nature. The decrease in service calls may, at least in part, be attributed to the coronavirus disease and the restrictions on businesses/restaurants, and the unfortunate cancellation of community gatherings such as the Community Celebration, and the Hall of Fame Balloon Classic.



Type of Calls

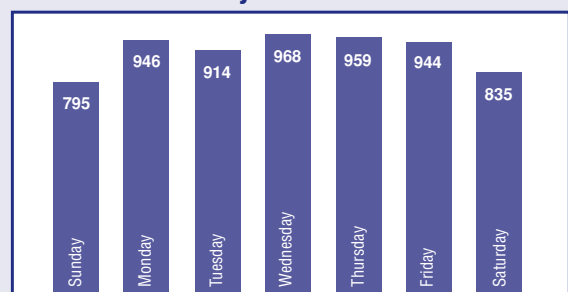
The JTFD transported more COVID-19 patients than any other agency in Stark County. Due to the required crew and equipment decontamination procedures, each emergency medical transport's 'time-on-task' consumed 1 hour and 15 minutes. The JTFD has worked very closely with area hospitals, and the Stark County Health Department (SCHD). The JTFD applauds the tireless efforts of the SCHD, as the SCHD has worked diligently throughout the pandemic in service of the community.

The JTFD operates five stations, 24 hours per day/7 days per week with cross-trained certified firefighter/paramedics. Station-4 (which includes Belden Village) and Station-5 (which includes the southern portion of the township) generated the most emergency service calls. Normally, Station-4 is the busiest, but had fewer calls in 2020 due to the state mandated curfew and reduced retail shopping hours.

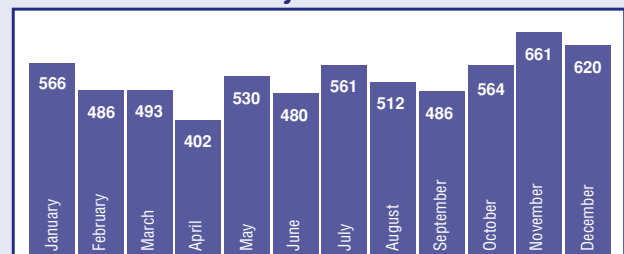


Calls by District

Daily Call Volume



Monthly Call Volume



As we start 2021, it look likes it is going to be a very busy year.

INSPECTOR TIM COPPOCK RETIREMENT

Tim Coppock began serving the Jackson Township Fire Department in November, 1979 as a volunteer at Fire Station-3. While serving as Station Chief, the department's business model changed from career/volunteer to career/part-time staffing. Tim served as the Assistant Chief over the part-time members. In June, 2014, he joined the Fire Prevention Bureau as a full-time inspector/fire investigator. Tim served the township in this capacity until December, 2020. His engineering background and calm demeanor will be greatly missed. However, we wish him well in his retirement!



BATTALION CHIEF SAM MALLETTE RETIREMENT



Sam Mallette was hired by the Jackson Township Fire Department on September 11, 1989 with the opening of Fire Station-2. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in November, 1998 and subsequently promoted to Battalion Chief in May, 2011. BC Mallette served our community in that capacity until December, 2020. He retired in order to take care of and spend more time with his family. Those that worked with Sam, enjoyed the time and leadership that he gave to the department.

We wish him well as he moves into the next chapter in his life.

NEW FULL-TIME HIRE

Firefighter/Paramedic Clark DeVitis

In November, 2020, Clark DeVitis was promoted to full-time firefighter/paramedic. Clark is assigned to B-Shift.



NEW PART-TIME HIRES

In February, 2021, the following individuals were hired as part-time firefighter/paramedics. After several weeks of orientation training, these new members began shift work.

**Luke Ricketts • Corey Kosora • Leroy Yoder
Adam Gladysz • Nick Wilson • Andrew Kendrick**



ELECTRONIC PLAN SUBMITTALS



Left to Right – Fire Inspectors Aaron Stoller and Ralph Copley

One of the requirements of the Fire Prevention Bureau (FPB) is to conduct fire protection plan reviews on all new or remodeled commercial projects. This encompasses fire alarm, fire and kitchen suppression systems, water availability, egress

points, and building accessibility. For years, along with submitting plans to the county building department, a developer has been required to provide Jackson Township with two complete sets of drawings. One set of drawings is returned to the developer with FPB recommendations and requirements. Unfortunately, the reviews can be time intensive and the drawings required a lot of space for storage.

With the use of grant funding, the FPB was able to obtain the I-plan System. This allows commercial developers to submit plans electronically via a USB drive as opposed to paper drawing. This will speed-up review time, as well as reduce the need for physical storage space.


CARDIO-PULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CLASSES

**WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?
WANT TO GET INVOLVED?**



Did you know that the Jackson Township Fire Department conducts CPR classes? All classes are in accordance with the American Heart Association Standards and are held at the Jackson Township Safety Center. The cost is \$40 per person. Whether you are a business looking to train your staff or a resident looking to learn the newest lifesaving standards, we can help.


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Jackson Township Police Department



Police Chief Mark Brink

INVESTIGATING SERIOUS INJURY OR FATAL CRASHES

We often get asked about the investigation process of car crashes involving serious injury or death. People interested in the results of the investigation sometimes feel as though the process takes too long. The purpose of this article is to explain that it takes time for the police department to do its job of preparing a complete and thorough case for the prosecution.

During the initial response to a crash scene, officers have many responsibilities including the following: tend to the injured parties, locate and collect witness statements, photograph the scene, take measurements, collect evidence, obtain a biological sample from the drivers to either rule out impairment or to help determine the level of their impairment, and let's not forget to direct traffic around the crash scene in a safe manner.

Next, our crash reconstructionist completes measurements to determine factors such as the speed of the vehicles, perception/reaction times, and ultimately fault. In most cases, search warrants and crime lab submissions must be executed and the results are not available for weeks or months.

Once we have received all of the information from the search warrants, lab submissions, coroner's office, etc., then all of the evidence is presented to the prosecutor's office for review and the filing of charges.

There are a few reasons why the filing of charges comes after the investigation is complete, instead of right away. First, once a person is arrested they have the right to a speedy trial. If we arrest someone at the time of the crash, then the person may be able to plea out to a lesser charge than what can be proven after the investigation has been completed. However, if we wait for all the information, then we may be able to prove that the offender was highly impaired or was driving recklessly which could lead to a higher degree of penalty. The penalties vary based on, among other items, the level of impairment, driving recklessly or without a valid driver's license. If the case is completely investigated, then the prosecutor has more time to prepare for the case before it goes to trial. Thus, the prosecution provides fair representation for the injured or deceased person and their family.

STUFF THE CRUISER

On December 11, 2020, the Jackson Township Police Department partnered with Fisher's Foods for a Stuff the Cruiser event. Officers were near the entrances to the store for approximately four hours. The customers, many of whom were residents of Jackson Township, provided donations of food and money that were used to provide meals and gifts for six families who were in need this Christmas season. This event was a very big success due to your overwhelming generosity.

Thank you for giving to those in need and for allowing the police department to be the bearer of good deeds this season.



If we can be of any assistance, please contact the Jackson Township Police Department at www.itpd.com or phone (330) 834-3960

**Thank you,
Chief Mark Brink**

CRIME STATISTICS HISTORY: 2019-2020

OFFENSE	2019	2020	%+/-
Calls for Service	61,538	76,598	24%
Traffic Crash/Property	1,475	1,036	-30%
Traffic Crash/Injury	312	199	-36%
Traffic Crash/Fatality	1	4	300%
Traffic Crash Fatalities	1	4	300%
Hit Skip/Accident	66	64	-3%
Arson	1	6	500%
Stolen Vehicles	21	27	29%
Recovered Vehicles	15	23	53%
False Alarm Drops	1,874	1,804	-4%
Citations	2,765	1,741	-37%
Vandalism/Criminal Damaging	124	111	-10%
Criminal Mischief	33	21	-36%
Theft	882	787	-11%
OVI	453	413	-9%
Homicides	1	3	200%
Juvenile Arrests	133	111	-17%
Aggravated Robbery	2	3	50%
Robbery	11	5	-55%
Aggravated Burglary	4	2	-50%
Burglary	89	81	-9%
Breaking & Entering	46	44	-4%
Rape	18	16	-11%
Other Sex Offenses	72	74	3%
Public Indecency	7	7	0%
Domestic Violence	188	199	6%
Drug & Drug Related	455	205	-55%
Kidnapping	1	5	400%
Assaults	80	90	13%
Shoplifting	416	301	-28%
Forgery/Fraud/ID Theft	246	257	4%
Residential Alarms	1,332	1,100	-17%
Juvenile Citations	77	40	-48%
Vacation Checks	8,778	9,026	3%
Business Checks	23,579	24,933	6%
Extra Patrols	12,788	24,733	93%
School Visits	325	103	-68%

(NOTE) All types of calls are not included

BEWARE OF PHONE SCAMS

Be prepared and don't be fooled by the many scams that are targeting people who are unaware. As a police department, we see many creative scams that criminals are using to take hard earned money from unsuspecting victims. Often times, victims will lose thousands of dollars to scammers who are very difficult and sometimes impossible to track down. Here are a few tips to keep in mind about scams.

Scammers often represent themselves as being a part of an organization you are familiar with, and they will pressure you to pay right then and will give you directions on how to pay. Often times, scammers will ask you to purchase gift cards from a store and will advise you to contact them once you have the gift cards in hand. They will then ask you for the information on the gift card so they can get the money from the gift card.

Some scammers will send you a check and ask you to cash the check because they are out of the country and can't get to their bank or will give another reason for why they can't just go to the bank themselves. They will then ask you to send them a portion of that check and will advise you to keep the other portion as your payment for going through the trouble of cashing the check for them. Several days later, you will get a notice from your bank that the check was fraudulent and you owe them the amount of money that you withdrew.

The IRS scam is a popular scam, as well. Someone will contact you and represent themselves as being from the IRS and will threaten to file a lawsuit or arrest you if you don't pay them immediately. Whatever the scam is, don't give your personal or financial information without knowing to whom you are providing it. It should be to someone you know you owe that money. If you are being asked to pay with gift cards, it is probably not legitimate. Don't click on links in emails asking you to login to your account such as PayPal. If in doubt, call someone you know you can trust and ask them if you are dealing with someone that may be a scammer. If you get scammed or believe someone tried to scam you, report it to the Federal Trade Commission. It is also a good idea to complete a free check of your credit history once each year to make sure there are no unexpected problems with your credit.

This is a very brief message on scams. You can find a great deal of information online about scams and how to respond to them.

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Retirement Officer Cindea

Officer Steve Cindea started his career with the Jackson Township Police Department on July 31, 1980, and continued to work as a police officer until he retired on October 3, 2020. During the 40 years he spent in law enforcement, Officer Cindea served as a patrol officer and was always willing to help new officers learn how to handle the various types of calls to which they would respond. Officer Cindea also started a very successful program called "Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs". Officer Cindea spent many hours putting the program together and recruiting volunteers to help make the program a success. Officer Cindea and the volunteers of this program spent many hours teaching young people about fishing and introducing them to the outdoors. If a student successfully completed the program, then he/she would be rewarded with a fishing trip to Lake Erie on a chartered trip for a day. Officer Cindea had a positive impact on the lives of many young people who will always remember their time in "Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs".



Please join us in congratulating Officer Cindea on his retirement!

New Hires

TWO OFFICERS HIRED FULL-TIME

The Jackson Township Police Department has hired two full-time officers. Officer Anthony Richardson started as a full-time officer on October 24, 2020, and Officer Steven Hagge started on October 31, 2020. Both officers had been working as part-time officers for Jackson Township.



Congratulations to both officers on obtaining full-time positions with the Jackson Township Police Department!

NEW FULL-TIME CLERICAL EMPLOYEE

The Jackson Township Police Department welcomes Alycia Whitton to our team. Alycia was hired on October 31, 2020, and will work in the Records Department. Alycia grew up in Jackson Township and graduated from Jackson High School in 2005. Alycia is also a graduate of The University of Phoenix where she earned a degree in business. Alycia has worked for Akron Children's Hospital as a patient representative, and prior to that worked for the Stark County Recorder's Office. Alycia and her husband have three children and enjoy spending family time together baking and walking their dog.



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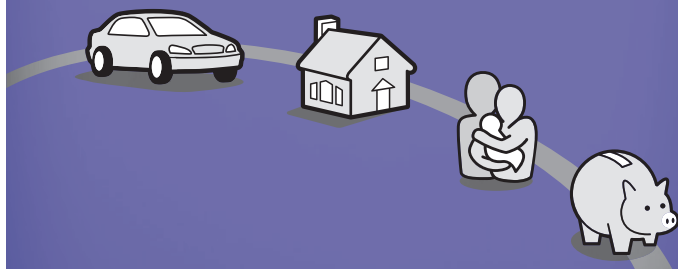
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Jackson Township Public Works Dept. - Highway Division



Rich Rohn
Public Works Director

FULTON DRIVE WIDENING – PHASE 1

After many years of planning, the Ohio Department of Transportation will move forward with the Fulton Drive project beginning in April. This project has been separated into three (3) phases between Brunnerdale Avenue NW and Foxboro Avenue NW.

The initial phase will consist of widening and resurfacing Fulton Drive between Brunnerdale Avenue NW and Governors Avenue NW, the construction of an extension of Armandale Avenue NW between Yost Street NW and Fulton Drive, and a cul-de-sac on Yost Street to close off Yost Street to Fulton Drive.

This project will provide the construction of curb and gutter, storm sewer improvements, traffic signal upgrades, signage, and reconfigured pavement markings.

Jackson Township's estimated share of the cost of Phase One of the project is \$733,000.00.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

- Amherst/Fulton traffic signal has been operational since December, 2020.

- Fulton Tunnel project linking North Park with Jackson High School is a collaborative effort between the Township,

School District, Stark Parks, and the Ohio Department of Transportation. The project is currently working through the design phase.

- Projects with the Stark County Engineer.
 - ✓ Traffic signals will be installed at the intersections of Frank Avenue and Eastlake Street, as well as Frank Avenue and Strausser Street. This project is planned for 2022.
- Community Parkway Lighting. A lighting upgrade is planned for Community Parkway that will match the nearby lighting on Wales and Fulton. The poles would allow for banners and decorations as well.
- Fulton Road Culvert Replacement. Planning to correct an issue to the west of the Amherst and Fulton intersection. This is the discharge location for the Ilg pond.
- Keck Park Circle/SR241 (Wales Avenue). Collaborating with an engineering firm and the Ohio Department of Transportation to complete the intersection.
- Greens at Belden/Jackson Park. Finalizing plans for the park, at the former Tam O'Shanter golf course, that will be located on the southern end of the newly constructed roadway.
- The contracts for resurfacing, curb replacement, and striping will be sent out for bid. Below are the 2021 budgeted amounts for each project:
 - ✓ Resurfacing - \$1.5 million
 - ✓ Curb Replacement - \$200,000
 - ✓ Striping - \$60,000

STREETS SCHEDULED TO BE RESURFACED IN 2021

ROAD	FROM	TO	ROAD	FROM	TO
WALLBROOK	LAKE O'SPRINGS	OAKCREST	MONTGOMERY	DRESSLER	ARBOR CREEK
OAKCREST	PORTAGE	SOUTH END	ARBOR CREEK	MONTGOMERY	SOUTH CDS
ELMDALE	LAKE O'SPRINGS	PEAR	ARBOR CREEK	MONTGOMERY	LINBERGH
PEAR	ELMDALE	MAPLEDELL	BRETZ	HILLS N DALES	JACKSON
MAPLEDELL	LAKE O'SPRINGS	PEAR	HOVERLAND	HILLS N DALES	JACKSON
CHERMONT	LAKE O'SPRINGS	EAST END	KNIGHT	KIPLING	JACKSON
MURRAY	LAKE O'SPRINGS	EAST END	SHERWOOD	BRETZ	KNIGHT
LIBBIE	LAKE O'SPRINGS	EAST END	SHERWOOD	KNIGHT	SOUTH END
FREIT AG	LAKE O'SPRINGS	SPRINGLAKE	RADCLIFF	HOVERLAND	PERRY TWP
MARSHALL	SPRINGLAKE	WEST END	RALEIGH	KIPLING	RADCLIFF
SKYVIEW	SPRINGLAKE	WEST END	RALEIGH	RADCLIFF	SEYMOUR
WOODHAVEN	SPRINGLAKE	WEST END	SEYMOUR	THACKERY	KIPLING
SPRINGLAKE	FREIT AG	WOODHAVEN	SEYMOUR	KIPLING	RADCLIFF
CORRINE	AMBLEWOOD	CDS	SEYMOUR	RADCLIFF	RALEIGH
GRAY FOX	DRAKE	GRAYFOX	THACKERY	KIPLING	PERRY TWP
DRAKE	GOVERNORS	SOUTH CDS	THACKERY	RADCLIFF	KIPLING
FOXTAIL	DRAKE	EAST CDS	KIPLING	HILLS N DALES	PERRY TWP
MILITIA	CORRINE	FOXCHASE	DAYTONA	WALES	EAST END
FLEETWOOD	BRUNNERDALE	FULTON	OCALA	STUHLREHER	PEYTON
FLEETWOOD	FULTON	WEST BLVD.	PEYTON	OCALA	EAST END
PARKFORD	WALES	EAST END	KEYPORT	PEYTON	SOUTH END
CAMBRIDGE	WALES	EAST END	BERMUDA	OCALA	EAST END
COLUMBIA	PARKFORD	CAMBRIDGE	DEL RAY	DAYTONA	SOUTH END
CARNEGIE	PARKFORD	CAMBRIDGE	CATALINA	DAYTONA	SOUTH END
OXFORD	PARKFORD	CAMBRIDGE	STUHLREHER	WALES	HILLS N DALES
PRINCETON	PARKFORD	EAST END	JULIAN	STUHLREHER	EAST CDS
ORCHARDWAY	ARLINGTON	WEST CDS	MALABU	STUHLREHER	DAYTONA
SAYBROOK	ORCHARDWAY	WEST CDS	TAHITI	WEST END	EAST END
SAYBROOK	ORCHARDWAY	SOUTH CDS	OAK POINTE	HIGH MILL	DIAMOND BACK
NORTHWIND CIR.	LANDSDALE	EAST CDS	DIAMOND BACK	AGATE	N. CDS
LANDSDALE	ORCHARDWAY	NORTH CDS	DIAMOND BACK	AGATE	S. CDS
CANDLEWOOD	ORCHARDWAY	NORTH END	PONDERA	DIAMOND BACK	TOPAZ
STATEN CIR.	CANDLEWOOD	EAST CDS	AGATE	HIGH MILL	DIAMOND BACK
GLENBURN	CANDLEWOOD	MORRILTON	AGATE	DIAMOND BACK	PONDERA
MORRILTON CDS	ORCHARDWAY	NORTH CDS	HAWKSFIELD	AGATE	N. CDS
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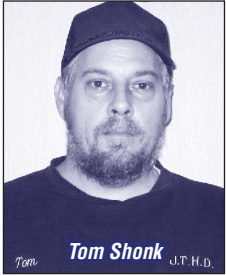
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HIRES

We welcome Stephanie Holben as the new Clerical Assistant within the Public Works Department. Stephanie will support the Administrative Assistant regarding items from the Parks, Highway, and Central Maintenance Divisions.

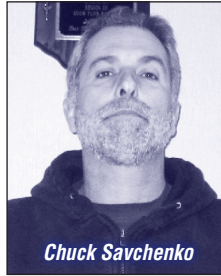
Welcome Stephanie Holben



RETIREMENTS

Tom Shonk - We thank Tom Shonk for his 30 years of dedicated service within the Highway Division! Tom assisted in many ways, including service as the acting Foreman.

Chuck Savchenko - In December of 2020, Chuck Savchenko retired from the Highway Division after 30 years of service. We thank Chuck for all his years of dedicated service!



Thank you Tom & Chuck for all your years of service.

STORMWATER KEEPING CATCH BASINS & DITCHES CLEAR

As we approach the rainy season, please keep the storm systems free of leaves and debris. Please clean off catch basins, and keep debris out of the roadways and ditches. If you are able to assist in this manner, then this will allow for water to flow properly and reduce the chance of water backing up or even flooding. The Highway Division staff monitors problematic areas, but we are unable to see everything. **If you see a problem, please reach out to our office for assistance at 330-832-4016.**



YARD WASTE & DEBRIS HOURS

The Township plans for the yard waste and debris site to open in April, with hours from dawn to dusk. The site will likely be open 7 days a week. However, the site will be closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from dawn until 3 pm for removal of the items.



We appreciate your cooperation with ensuring that only approved items are deposited at the site.



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Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department News



Joni Poindexter
Zoning Inspector

ZONING APPLICATIONS

Zoning applications can be found on the Zoning Department website page at www.jacksonswp.com. Most residential, and some commercial, applications can be filled out online in the PDF form and submitted to Pat Primack by email at pprimack@jacksonswp.com. However, depending on the type of application, additional information such as site plans, construction plans, house numbering slip, sewer guarantees, etc., must also be submitted in order to process a permit.

Once a permit is approved and processed, the applicant will receive a phone call informing him/her of the cost of the permit and that it is ready for pickup. Payments can be made by check, cash, or credit card; however, there is a fee for using a credit card. Please contact the zoning office at 330-832-8023 if you have questions.

The Zoning and Fire Departments are pleased to report that they are now using IPlan tables. As a result, applicants may now submit commercial plans, applications, and subsequent information on a flash drive. Thus, an applicant no longer is required to submit paper plans.

START OF CONSTRUCTION

Upon the issuance of a zoning permit, the recipient has one year to start construction and two years to substantially finish the project. If the permit requires a foundation, then please call Zoning Investigator, Chad Cline (330-832-8023) for verification of the setbacks. Confirmation of the setbacks prior to completion of the project ensures that the structure is in compliance with the issued permit. Property lines should be marked to help with setback verification.

TRANSIENT VENDORS

A transient vendor is required to first register with the Zoning Department, before the vendor is permitted to sell items door-to-door in Jackson Township. If a person is soliciting on behalf of a tax exempt organization under OH R.C. Section 5709.04 (for example the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, a school fundraiser, etc.), then registration is not necessary. The township provides “**NO SOLICITING - DO NOT KNOCK**” stickers for residents who do not want transient vendors knocking on their doors. Stickers may be picked up, free of charge, at the Jackson Township Administration Building.



ZONING COMPLAINTS

The Zoning Department enforces violations of the zoning laws. The Zoning Department has no authority over civil issues, easements, or disputes between property owners that are not **zoning** issues or violations.

For zoning related complaints including possible nuisances, complaint forms are available on our website and may be emailed to ccline@jacksonswp.com. Complaints can also be issued by phone. Complaints with an identifiable complainant will be prioritized. All complaints are a public record. Therefore, if someone inquires about who made a complaint, our office is obligated to provide that information.

Upon receiving a zoning or nuisance complaint, an inspection is conducted by the Zoning Investigator. If it is determined that there is a violation per the zoning resolution or nuisance legislation, then a letter is sent to the owner (and/or tenant) of the property stating what the violation is and how to correct it. If the violation does not get corrected within the specified time period and the owner/violator has not contacted our office, then further action is taken. Further action may include a possible fine or a nuisance hearing being set before the Board of Trustees. Owners, not tenants, of rental properties are ultimately responsible. Therefore, it is important for owners to ensure that their tenants are maintaining the property, as any assessments will be issued to the property owner. Please be courteous to your neighbors and keep your property clean and well maintained to avoid a complaint being filed.

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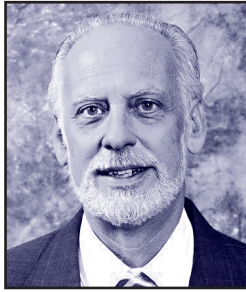
Call or text (330) 323-5864

If you receive a zoning violation or nuisance letter regarding your property, please contact our office. Our goal is to work with the property owner to get the matter resolved as opposed to issuing a fine or holding a public hearing.

ZONING STATS FOR 2020

New Single Family Residential Dwellings	76
New Multi-Family Dwellings	9-2 unit dwellings
Residential Alterations and Additions	311
New Commercial Construction	10
Commercial Alterations and Additions	88

Parks and Recreation Division



David R. Ruwadi
Parks & Recreation
Superintendent

The residents of Jackson Township have much to look forward to as new amenities are being installed in the parks with funding from the CARES Act. The residents will appreciate additional bleachers, picnic tables, and “touch free” water bottle fillers. Also, electrostatic cleaning machines will be used to sanitize the restrooms, buildings, and vehicles to reduce the spread of Covid-19. In addition, plumbing in the restrooms has been converted to “touch free” toilet flushing and hand-washing.

Finally, a fence will be installed around the Amphitheater to control entering/exiting and provide an occupancy limit as required by the Stark County Health Department to comply with Ohio guidelines on group gatherings.

In 2021, the Jackson Township Parks and Recreation Division also looks forward to providing the following improvements: ice skating in North Park, dedicated Pickleball courts, an upgrade to the fencing on Field 13, and an upgrade to the playground equipment at Fisher Park. We thank you for your continued support of our Parks and Recreation Division which allows for these projects.

HOURS OF OPERATION

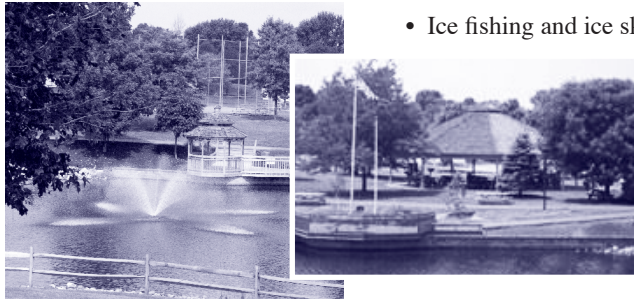
**NORTH PARK IS OPEN FROM
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- South Park
- Joseph E. Fisher Park,
- Edward & Mary Zink Park
- Crystal Springs Bridge Park
- Stuhldreher Street Fields
- Strausser Elementary Park

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Rules & Regulations

FISHING - USE OF NORTH PARK POND, DECK & GAZEBO



- Fishing is only permitted in the North Park Pond during the hours the Park is open. No fishing is permitted from the gazebo. Unauthorized stocking or dumping of fish or bait is prohibited.
- Flotation devices are not permitted in the North Park Pond.
- Ice fishing and ice skating is prohibited, unless signs specifically state otherwise.
- Rock throwing is prohibited.
- Swimming or wading is prohibited.
- Running, bicycling, and skating (in-line or other) are prohibited.
- On the walls, railings, and pond rocks - standing, walking, and hanging is prohibited.
- Social distancing is required.

FACILITY RESERVATION INFORMATION

Please apply for a permit to use one of the facilities to ensure it will be available for your use.

To reserve a pavilion, athletic field, or tennis court please call 330-832-2845 to inquire about availability before submitting your on-line application.

Applications can be found on our web page at www.jacksontownship.com and can be submitted electronically. Forms are also available at the Jackson Township Administration Building.

Permits for shelters or fields MUST be picked up one week prior to the event.

For information on our rules and regulations and general park information visit us at www.jacksontownship.com.

PETS

Pets are **not permitted** in North Park, with the exception of special circumstances in which written permission is obtained from the

**REMEMBER TO CONTROL YOUR
PET WITH A LEASH & CLEAN UP
AFTER YOUR PET.**



Rudy

Pets are permitted in all parks
EXCEPT the North Park.

Jackson Township Parks and Recreation Superintendent. All pets, while on any other Park grounds, lots, streets, drives or any other Park facilities, shall be controlled by a leash connected to a person or fixed object. Do not leave pets unattended. Be a responsible pet owner and please clean up after your pet. Pet waste eliminator stations are located in South Park for your use.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of Jackson Township local government to provide for and promote the general health, safety, and welfare of Township residents and businesses by:

- delivering service in a professional, impartial, and cost-effective manner;
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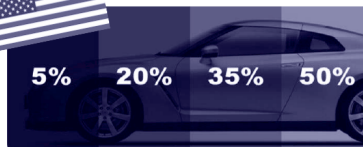
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WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE JACKSON FARMERS MARKET, WHICH THIS SUMMER WILL BE LOCATED AT THE NEW JACKSON TOWNSHIP AMPHITHEATER.

More information will be provided in the June issue of the newsletter.

The Farmers Market is a way to bring residents together and provides an opportunity for local producers to sell fresh and healthy foods.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR VENDORS!

If you are interested in participating as a vendor, please call Mary Reno at 330-832-7416 or send an email to: mreno@jacksontwp.com.

YARD DEBRIS WASTE SITE KEY CARD

RESIDENTS ONLY

The yard debris waste site is closed for the season and will reopen again in the spring.

KEY CARD REGISTRATION

If you have **not** obtained your key card to enter the yard debris waste site, you can do so at www.jacksontwp.com and click on the "Yard Waste Site Information" icon on the right side of your screen. Please review the updated information regarding the site and follow the onscreen instructions to register. A credit card and email address are required to complete the on-line registration. If you do not want to register online or don't have a computer, you can register in person at the Jackson Township Administration Building. Only one card per household will be issued.

Once you have successfully registered, your key card will need to be picked up in-person at the Jackson Township Administration Building between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

CARD RENEWAL PROCESS

If you **already** have a key card, please note the expiration date on your card. If you registered online using a credit card, it will automatically renew on the expiration date. If you registered in-person at township hall and paid with cash, you will need to come in to renew your card either on or before your renewal date. You may also call into the office and switch to credit card payments, if you wish at that time, as well. Please do not register online again at the time of your renewal.



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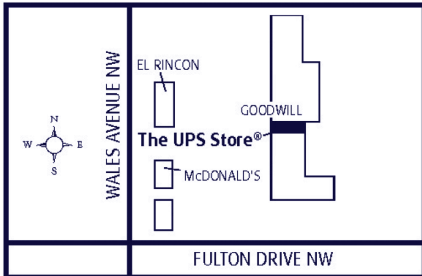


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