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Community and Economic Development Department

The Board of Trustees has put into action a plan for the new Community and Economic Development Department. Formerly known as the Zoning Department, the Community and Economic Development Department will be tasked with the implementation of the themes clearly expressed during the recent Community Perspective Survey. This survey provided critical feedback on priorities and desires of the Township going forward. The Community and Economic Development Department is tasked with implementing strategies to successfully promote and accomplish priorities of the Township. The Department will be tasked with the core focus areas:

- **Strategic Land Planning** - Coordinating developments, maximizing land bank assembly and comprehensive land use planning.
- **Community Engagement** - Coordinating volunteers to help with beautification and cleanup efforts.
- **Neighborhood Revitalization** - Enforcement of the Property Maintenance Code including neighborhood blight removal and demolition activities.
- **Public Space Enhancements** - Strategic land acquisition aimed to enhance public parks and access to recreational opportunities.
- **Community and Economic Development** - Business retention, expansion and attraction along with coordinating efforts with the Copley Community Improvement Corporation (CIC)
- **Land and Historical Preservation** - Conservative efforts and promotion of scenic byways.

Projects currently underway within the Department include the formation of the Copley Community Improvement Corporation (CIC). The CIC aligns with the "community and economic development" focus area and will act as a 501(c)3 corporation authorized under the Ohio Revised Code (1724.01). The CIC is specifically designed for advancing, encouraging, and promoting the industrial, economic, commercial and civic development of Copley Township. The CIC is led by a board of directors who are community and civic minded residents and business owners within Copley.

The board includes:

- Susan Bishop - Whimsical Pig Bed and Breakfast

- Helen Humphrys - Township Trustee and Township Resident
- John Duncan - Life-Long Township Resident, Duncan Farms
- Kevin Fallon - Commercial Development and Township Resident
- Paul Hummel - Hummel Funeral Homes and Township Resident
- Sylvia Chinn-Levy - Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and Township Resident
- Janice Marshall - Township Administrator and Township Resident
- Nancy Roesner - Copley Feed and Supply and Township Resident
- Joe Saporito - Business Professional and Township Resident
- Steve Panzner - Wetland Mitigation Expert and Township Resident.

In addition to the CIC, the Development Department is proud to partner with Summit County and act as the first pilot program for the implementation of the new Geographic Information Systems (GIS) inspection and property maintenance program. This innovative program will be web-based and allow the public to file property maintenance complaints which can be anonymous. The Township's Code Enforcement Officer retrieves the submitted concern and performs necessary inspections to evaluate the circumstances. While inspecting, all photographs and written reports sync with a web based GIS mapping program providing real-time results. The property maintenance status is then presented on an interactive map showing where enforcement activities are occurring along with the status of each situation. The Department intends to implement the GIS mapping program into future permit activities which will not only expedite the process for contractors but will add additional transparency for the general public.

The Community and Economic Development Department recognizes the challenges that lie ahead but remain unwavering in our commitment to work for and with the residents and businesses of our community. As such, if you have any interest in partnering with us on future projects, please email or contact us at mspringer@copley.oh.us or (330) 666-0108.



Service Department

Contamination at the Recycle Center

What is contamination? It's when items that do not belong in a particular container are placed in that container. They could be items placed by mistake, or items that aren't recyclable or not accepted at our facility, or worse, household trash and hazardous waste. When contamination is present it reduces the amount of rebate the Township receives. For example, if a load weighs 500 pounds but 100 pounds is contamination, then the rebate is paid on 400 pounds. Copley donates the aluminum can rebate to the Akron Children's Hospital Aluminum Cans for Burned Children Program (ACBC) so contamination reduces the amount we're able to donate. These injured kids need all the help they can get so every little bit helps this worthy cause. Below is the list of Accepted and Not Accepted items for our facility so keep it handy as a reference. There are also signs on site to instruct as well. If you have an item you're not sure can be recycled, please contact us at 330-666-0365. Thank you for your cooperation.

ACCEPTED ITEMS:

Comingle Container

- Plastic bottles and food containers #1- #7 larger than 2" x 2" (Sports drinks, soda bottles, milk jugs, butter tubs, etc.) **
- Glass bottles and jars (Clear, green, or brown only)
- Steel cans (Steel/tin/bimetal food cans)
- Aseptic cartons (milk, juice, half & half, etc.)

Aluminum Cans Container

- **Aluminum cans only** - All proceeds donated to the Akron Children's Hospital Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (ACBC) Program

Copley Annual Recycle Day

Kiwanis Club and Copley Township Annual Recycle Day will be October 7, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Copley Community Park, 3232 Copley Road. E-Waste, Batteries, Scrap Metal, Used Tires, Used Motor Oil, Used Antifreeze, Appliances with Freon, and Fluorescent and CFL Bulbs will be accepted. There is a small fee for Computer Monitors, Televisions and Fluorescent/CFL bulbs.

The Township is pleased to now be collecting household items such as refrigerators, humidifiers, air conditioners, ice makers, or any appliance that contains Freon/Refrigerants, Scrap Metal - Steel, Iron, Aluminum, and Alloys - Item must be able to be unloaded by hand.

There will be shredding from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. There is a limit of 10 boxes per vehicle.

This event is for residents of Copley only. Proof of residency is required.

NO Household Hazardous Materials, Cleaners, Solvents or Paint will be accepted.

CASH ONLY - must be paid at the time of drop-off.

Paper and Cardboard Containers

- Newspaper, paper, magazines & catalogs, paperback books, junk mail, office & school papers, calendars, chip board or fiber board (cereal boxes, pop cartons, etc.) envelopes (with or without windows), phone books.
- Aseptic cartons (milk, juice, half & half, etc.)
- Hardbound books are allowed but must have the covers removed.
- Corrugated cardboard only - Please break down all boxes.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

- Any plastic item #1 - #7 less than 2" x 2" (pill bottles, spice bottles, etc.) **
- Styrofoam of any kind (Packaging, food containers, cups, etc.)
- Plastic food wrapping (Saran Wrap, waxed paper)
- Light bulbs of any kind
- Glassware, Pyrex, or window panes
- Tissue products
- Pizza boxes (food or grease cannot be separated from the box)
- Egg cartons made of Styrofoam or pressed paper
- Aluminum car parts, siding or foil
- Electronics or appliances
- Hazardous household materials of any kind
- Paints, stains, or finishes
- Trash, garbage, food waste, or yard waste
- Wood or Lumber

** During the recycling process small plastic items fall through sorting screens and jam machines and contaminate other recycle products. Small plastic items less than 2" x 2" should be disposed of in regular household trash.

STYROFOAM is a NON-ACCEPTED ITEM



Fire Department

Hoverboards are Fun, AND Dangerous

The Copley Fire Department recently responded to a fire in a residence started by a recalled hoverboard. While these toys are fun to ride, the Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC) has recalled 10 different brand names of hoverboards due to fires. Referred to as self-balancing scooters, hoverboards work like a Segway which uses your own body mass and balance to make it move.

In addition to the fire risk, the internet is full of videos of people falling off hoverboards. Should you choose to ride one, please use the same precautions you would use for skate boarding or roller skating. We suggest wearing a helmet, knee and elbow pads. Even a low speed fall can result in serious injury or death.



Your Copley Township fire fighters love to have fun as you do, but we see the negative effects of these dangerous toys up close. One of your neighbors experienced a devastating fire simply from plugging in one of these recalled hoverboards. Don't become another victim of these knockoff electronic devices. Check out the CPSC website to see if your hoverboard has been recalled, or if the one you are looking to buy is safe. You can enter the link below into a browser, or simply Google "hoverboard recall" and this website will be on the top of the list.

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2016/self-balancing-scooters-hoverboards-recalled-by-10-firms>

Police Department

The New Copley Township Senior Visit Program

We'd love to come and meet you! The Copley Police Department along with the Copley Fire Department and community volunteers has started a senior outreach program.

This program consists of a Police Officer and Fire Fighter setting up a time to meet with you in your home. We will bring the coffee and donuts, provided by Jubilee Donuts, and enjoy casual conversation, listen to your concerns, as well as answer any questions you may have.



L to R Officer Joel Marmet, Nancy Baumgardner, Kay Daniel, Margaret Heinbuch, Officer Chris Santimarino, Mark Ruppert, Firefighter/Paramedic Mike Jones

This event is an extension of the department's community outreach program and is an excellent opportunity for you, our seniors, to interact with the Police and Fire Department members. We are now taking reservations for Thursday mornings.

There is no charge for this program, just call and schedule any Thursday morning that is convenient for you! Please contact Sheryl at the Copley Police Department at 330-666-4218 or sdeppisch@copley.oh.us to schedule your senior visit.

We hope to hear from you soon!

Copley Fire & Rescue Association

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, August 5, 2016

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Adults: \$5
Seniors: \$4
Children 6-12: \$3
Children 5 and under: Free



Save the Date...

Halloween in the Park
Saturday, October 28, 2017
Copley Community Park
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Community News

Change in Transient Vendors Laws

Recent court actions have affirmed the right of the transient vendor to do business in townships and municipalities. Consequently, the Copley Township Board of Trustees is being forced to amend its Resolution passed in 2008 prohibiting transient vendors in our Township. The amended resolution was discussed and voted upon at the regularly scheduled meeting on June 21, 2017 beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Transient Vendors interested in doing business in Copley Township will be required to submit an application 14 days in advance of their solicitation. The information will be verified through our Police Department and the vendor will be required to pay a fee of \$100.00. They will be given a list of rules which will include hours they are permitted to solicit and a requirement to carry a copy of the license with them at all times. The regulations will prohibit solicitation in residences or businesses that display signage that prohibits peddling or soliciting activities.

The Township will be compiling a "No Knock" list which we will supply to the vendors along with the rules. Vendors will be prohibited from soliciting to residences or businesses appearing on the list. If you would like to be placed on the list, please contact the Town Hall by calling 330-666-1853 or by sending an email to Township@copley.oh.us. In addition, you may download a "No Solicitation" sign from our website, print a copy and place it in a conspicuous place at the front of your residence or you may purchase a sign at Staples or Office Depot. The Township is working on securing signs that will be free to residents – please call before coming to the Town Hall to make sure they are available.

Please don't hesitate to call the Town Hall or our Dispatch Center at (330) 666-8866 if you have any questions as to the validity of a vendor knocking at your door; they will have a list of all valid licenses that have been issued. You have every right to ask for credentials and are under no obligation to pay attention to their sales pitch.



NIXLE FOR COPLEY TOWNSHIP

Nixle is the provider of mass notification services for public safety agencies. To sign up for Copley Township ALERTS go to www.copley.oh.us, or by using your phone to text your zip code to 888777. You can also register from their website at www.nixle.com.

Sweep the Streets Litter Campaign

On Earth Day, April 22, 2017, Township volunteers met for the first "Sweep the Streets" litter campaign and picked up trash along the county roadways intersecting the Township. Partnering with Huth Enterprises and the businesses in Sawmill Run, volunteers were provided with morning coffee and danish, raffle prizes and gift certificates to area businesses. In addition, Shisler's Cheese House provided a hot dog lunch for the workers who picked up loads of trash! Special shout out to the Heritage Woods Homeowners Association for their diligent work cleaning up their neighborhood prior to the day of the event! Look for a repeat next year as this becomes an annual event as part of Copley Township's Beautification Program!



NOTICE
NO
SOLICITING

Happy Birthday To Copley Township

In July 2019, Copley Township will turn 200 years old! It's not too early to start planning the celebration! The Bicentennial Committee is meeting on the fourth Monday of each month to strategize fundraising efforts and to create meaningful tributes to our heritage and our traditions.

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We need your input! What do you like best about living and/or working in Copley Township? What types of activities do you and your family enjoy that we could share with the community? Maybe you have a story to tell spanning several generations or maybe you have a new perspective on what our community is all about. We are hoping to involve everyone - boy scout and girl scout troops, churches, youth organizations, community groups, the schools - in hopes of creating a celebration to remember!

Please consider joining us on Monday, July 24th, August 28th or September 25th and jump in on the fun! There are plenty of tasks to fit your interests and your availability. We look forward to meeting you!



Heritage Days 2017

Copley Heritage Days are only a few weeks away. The weekend will be filled with activities...there will be something for everyone! Start off your weekend with a "Movie in the Park" on Friday evening followed by activities all day Saturday. The schedule that follows is approximate so please visit the website www.copleyheritageday.com for additional information.

- August 3 - **The Copley Heritage Day Pageant** will be held at 6:30 pm in the Copley High School Auditorium. It is open to all children in the Copley Fairlawn area. Girls and boys entering kindergarten through grade 12 are welcome to participate.
- August 4 - **"Movie in the Park" ZOOTOPIA** will begin Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at Copley Community Park, with hot dogs, popcorn and beverages. Copley Police, Fire and Service vehicles will be on display. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy this event under the stars!
- August 5 - **PTSA Rummage Sale** - Copley H.S. Gymnasium 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Pancake Breakfast - Copley Fire Department 8 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Opening Ceremonies at the Circle - 12:00 p.m. Food, crafts, and business vendors on the circle.
D.J., activities, demonstrations & free kids zone - Copley Middle School
Hula Hoop contest at the Gazebo at 2:30 p.m.
Parade at 6:00 p.m.
- August 6 - Concert at Copley Circle Gazebo - 7 p.m.
New Odyssey - Music, skits, fun.

Bicentennial Contest

Do you have an idea for a theme that captures the essence of Copley Township as we celebrate its Bicentennial? Maybe an idea for a logo that signifies the Bicentennial Celebration? We are looking for a creative expression to use as a tool to identify the Bicentennial events and activities. Your design could be used on all our promotional items and articles, T-shirts and advertisements! Simply submit your entry to the

Town Hall either by mail to "Bicentennial Committee", 1540 S. Cleveland Massillon Rd., Copley, Ohio 44321 or by email to jmarshall@copley.oh.us. Questions? Call Janice Marshall at 330-666-1853.



Logo Design Contest

Sponsor's include Acme Fresh Markets, Akron Dispersion, Autobahn, Caruso Architecture, Copley Tool Rental, Copley United Methodist Church, Copley Township, Graves Lumber, Haramis & Roe, Hummel Funeral Homes, Huth-Westwood Builders, Jim Gangle Excavating LLC, Lewis Landscaping, Rizzi's Ristorante & Pizzeria, Shearer Equipment, Ted Randles, Thomarios.

Please visit www.copleyheritageday.com for up to date information.

MOVIE IN THE PARK Copley Township Presents Disney's "ZOOtopia"



Friday, August 4, 2017 Copley Community Park

3232 Copley Road

Festivities begin at 7:30 p.m.

Movie starts at dusk.

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets for an evening of fun. Music, hot dogs, popcorn and beverages provided by Copley Township. Copley Police, Fire and Service Vehicles on display.

Food Vendors for Heritage Day, Saturday, August 5th include:

Mom & Pop Ice Cream & Funnel Cakes,
Planet Sub - Hostetler Popcorn
D's Ultimate Dogs & More - Judy's Concessions
Rizzi's - Brain Freeze/Diamond Plate Dinner
Hunger Squad - Smoke-n-Joe's BBQ



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1540 S. Cleveland Massillon Road
Copley, Ohio 44321-1908

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Motor Vehicle License Tax to Copley Township

Please remember - when renewing your annual license plate/sticker, make sure you state you live in COPLEY TOWNSHIP so the Township rightly receives its portion of the license tax fee. Copley has six zip codes that range from Akron 44320, Akron 44333, Barberton 44203, Copley 44321, Norton 44203, and Wadsworth 44281. The registrar will write the city address name on your driver's license in the jurisdiction area unless you state you live in Copley Township!

Meeting Notes

Regular Board of Trustees Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Please visit our website www.copley.oh.us for updated meeting times and special meetings.

Check our website for the Board of Zoning Appeals, Zoning Commission and Architectural Review Board Meeting Schedules.

All Meetings Are Open To The Public.



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Copley Township Telephone Numbers

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Fire330-666-6464
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