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## HANOVER TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

As part of the fire department levy commitment in 2017, the Board of Trustees set forth planning efforts to purchase new equipment, improve staffing of Emergency Medical



Pictured L to R Bruce Henry, Greg Sullivan, Phil Clark, Jeff Buddo, Larry Miller, Doug Johnson.

Service operations and replace operating equipment as needed to insure the safety of Fire and EMS personnel. On the list of capital equipment items was the purchase of a Tanker Unit to increase water capability and a new Fire Pumper. The department administration combined these units to recommend the purchase of a new pumper/tanker unit combination. The unit was ordered in October 2017. It recently arrived and was presented to the public during the Board of Trustees meeting on October 10, 2018. This unit should help improve the Township's ISO rating and enables the department to provide with the existing tanker unit

a total of 5,000 gallons of water for service in the field. Also the Board of Trustees recently authorized the bidding out of new self contained breathing apparatus units and accessories. The department is continuing work to improve staffing of Fire and EMS operations.

## GENERAL OPERATING UPDATES/ TOWNSHIP COMMITMENTS

As the result of the generosity of Hanover Township voters, the Board of Trustees was enabled 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. Officers cover first and second shifts staggered and overlapping to have coverage all seven days during the week.

As promised during the operating levy approval process, the Board of Trustees also ordered a new dump truck/snow plow to be delivered prior to the end of the year. The road crew has been increased to continue to provide a high level of road maintenance efforts, including snow/ice management to maintain a safe traffic flow. The Board is currently analyzing additional road maintenance purchases to improve safety and efficiency in road operations.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO RESIDENTS

Officials from the Hanover Township Fire Department are asking the assistance of residents to keep bushes and trees trimmed back from driveway access areas in order to reach your residence quicker and prevent damage to equipment. Remember that fire pumper and rescue units need a larger area to operate to access your location and cannot make turns with adjacent trees right next to the driveway access. Also nearby bushes and trees can damage the exterior of both Fire and EMS units. Please help us help you more quickly and save maintenance tax dollars.

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### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Election Day  
Tuesday November 6
- Veterans Day (Noon Ceremony)  
Sunday November 11
- Thanksgiving  
Thursday November 22
- Christmas  
Tuesday December 25

### TOWNSHIP OFFICE CLOSED:

- November 12
- November 22 and 23
- December 24 (afternoon)
- December 25

*The Board of Trustees  
meets the second Wednesday of  
the month at 6 p.m.  
unless posted otherwise.*

**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 from the Right of Way/Road areas such as garbage cans and basketball hoops.
- 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 if 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 impatient and let the drivers do their job.

## **HELP PROMOTE SAFETY & 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.

## **HANOVER TOWNSHIP EARNS ANOTHER SAFETY AWARD!**

The Greater Hamilton Safety Council, in conjunction with the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Division of Safety and Hygiene, recognized Hanover Township for its workplace safety record during the Council's annual Safety Awards Banquet in May 2018. Hanover Township received a 100% Award which recognizes organizations that worked the entire year of 2017 without a lost time injury or illness. Hanover Township achieved a milestone as the 2018 award is the 8th 100% Award received by the Township in the last nine years. Thanks to all the employees and officials of the Township who contributed to a safer work environment.

## **SNOW ADVISORY INFORMATION & YOUR HELP NEEDED!**

Under Ohio law County Sheriffs have 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.

**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.butlersheriff.org](http://www.butlersheriff.org). Additional detail 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.

## CLASSIFICATION OF STREETS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Hanover Township fields many questions about dead animals, signs, drainage and speed zones associated with the roads in Hanover Township. The Township tries to be responsive to all requests for service but many roads are not under the jurisdiction of the Township. For instance, Old Oxford Road is a State of Ohio road (SR130), Millville Avenue is State Route 129, Oxford Millville Road is US 27 under state jurisdiction and Hamilton Richmond Road is a State of Ohio route (SR 177). Roads under the jurisdiction of the County Engineer's Office include Minton Road, Stahlheber Road east of US 27, Stillwell Beckett Road, Nichols Road west of Lanes Mill to the Township line, Lanes Mill Road and Reily Millville Road. Neighborhood streets and other roads such as Krucker, Vizedom, Morman Road north of Old Oxford Road, Hogue and Darrrtown Road are examples of streets under the Township's jurisdiction. To get assistance for the various roads in the Township, you may call 513-896-7800 for Hanover Township; 513-867-5744 for the Butler County Engineer's Office and the Ohio Department of Transportation local office 513-863-6609.

### ROADS ASSISTANCE NUMBERS:

**Township: 513-896-7800**  
**BCE Office: 513-867-5744**  
**ODOT: 513-863-6609**

## BRIEFS ON INFORMATION & PEOPLE...

### 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 689 runs and details in 2017. Fire Department Inspectors completed 8 Fire Code inspections in the Township. The Butler County Sheriff's Office Deputies (2) under contract with Hanover Township responded to 1,792 dispatched details, made 40 arrests, and provided 59,300 minutes of Community Oriented Policing patrolling neighborhood streets in 2017.

### 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.

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. The Board of Trustees recently approved a Memorandum of Understanding to work with the Coalition to promote healthy community programs. Also thanks for efforts by The Flores AMO Garden Club for Millville Cemetery floral plantings.

### SPECIAL THANKS:

To Major Sponsors, Community Partners and Community Event Supporters in 2017-2018 who helped the Township keep "Growing Toward The Future": Butler Rural Electric Cooperative, Stony Run Enterprises, Reffitt's Garage and Towing, Hassler Automotive, Rice Auto Body, Talawanda Band Members, Kelly's Bakery, Arlin's Bar & Restaurant, Pat Miller, Kemal and Madeline Green, Clay Calihan, Scot Gardner, 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 Metro Parks, Butler County Sheriff's Office, Lane Library, Hanover Ladies Industrial Band, First Millville Baptist Church, and Talawanda High School Band Members for participation in Hanover Township events in 2017 and 2018.



## HANOVER TOWNSHIP



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the Future"*

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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### 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. Meeting schedule information is posted on the Township's website. To verify the schedule, residents may call 513-896-9059 and press option #1.

Meetings start at 6:00 p.m. 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.**

### 2019 ROAD PROGRAM FOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP

The 2019 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 2019 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 is scheduled for Hussey Road dead end to US 27 and Brunner Road dead end to Stahlheber Road. Road re-trace work is scheduled for Hogue, Krucker, and Darrtown Roads. Other work under consideration is the replacement of the Gene Avenue culvert/bridge. (Grant funds are being sought for this project.) The Hanover Township Road Department will provide other smaller maintenance projects throughout the year.

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