



"GROWING TOWARD THE FUTURE"

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2022 BALLOT ISSUE

The Board of Trustees voted to declare the necessity to approve the renewal of a 1.75 mil Current Expense levy for five years for the key basic general operation of township services. The renewal will be on the November 8, 2022 ballot. This renewal will not increase a homeowners property tax.

WHAT ARE THE KEY PRIORITIES FOR THE FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE LEVY RENEWAL?

- Law Enforcement Services: Butler County Sheriff's contract units that specifically serve Hanover Township.
- Safety and Sanitary Park Improvements: Replace Restrooms with new sanitary facilities; Provide electric and water access; improve safety measures.
- Road Department Issues: Provide additional structure to house equipment sitting outside and pay off equipment balances. not covered by designated road funds.
- Community Center Parking Lot and Drainage Improvements: Scheduled for 2023 construction. Additional funds from operating levy will be used to cover inflationary costs. A grant has been obtained to fund the base amount.
- Park Walking Path: Repair and repave the .55 mile walking path in Hanover park.
- Provide additional drainage measures near the ball field and front walking path areas.
- Provide matching funds to secure federal and state grants for various operations.
- Provide funds to offset the costs of eliminating nuisances in the Township.

WHAT SPECIFICALLY IS THE BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING LEVY?

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) HANOVER TOWNSHIP

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage. An additional tax for the benefit of Hanover Township for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding one and seventy-five hundredths (1.75) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to seventeen and five-tenths cents (\$0.175) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

*Veterans Day
Friday November 11th*

*Thanksgiving Day
November 24th*

*Christmas Day
Sunday December 25th*

TOWNSHIP OFFICE CLOSED:

- Friday November 11th-Veterans Day Observance and Ceremony
- Thursday and Friday Thanksgiving Day and Day after Holiday November 24th and November 25th
- Friday December 23rd half day- Recognition of Christmas Eve Holiday
- Monday December 26th all day- Recognition of Christmas Day Holiday
- Monday January 2nd- Recognition of New Years Day Holiday

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

2023 ROAD PROGRAM FOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP

THE 2023 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 2023 construction season.

PAVING AND BASE REPAIRS are scheduled for Santa Maria and Rosary Circle. Re-base and patching work is scheduled for portions of Gardner Road, Ross Road, Morman Road Dead End, and Morman Road from Stillwell Beckett to Old Oxford Road. Current road paving cost estimates are \$180,000.00 per lane mile.

ROAD RE-TRACE ROAD work is scheduled Decamp, Krucker, and Morman Roads. Other special project work is the replacement of the Gene Avenue culvert/bridge. Grant funds and local funds will be used to complete this major project.

Smaller road maintenance and culvert work will be undertaken by the Township Road Department.



REMINDER: OPEN BURNING RESTRICTIONS

Each year the Township receives inquiries about open burning laws and restrictions. The Board of Trustees believes it is important to alert residents each year of the restrictions set forth by the State of Ohio and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. Open burning is prohibited in Hanover Township and surrounding jurisdictions except for limited circumstances. Open burning is defined as any outdoor fire. Open burning worsens the air quality in southwestern Ohio and can have harmful effects on people's health. Additionally, dry fields and farms are very susceptible to fires during the hot and dry periods throughout the year. The Ohio Administrative Code allows for open burning for cooking for human consumption, heating tar, welding torches, smudge pots, ceremonial exercises, grilling, and heating for warmth of outdoor workers. Open burning may also occur under certain circumstances by permit which can be determined by calling the **Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency at 513-946-1711**.

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.

TO HELP PROMOTE SAFETY AND ASSIST THE ROAD CREWS, PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Park vehicles off the street to assist snow/ice removal efforts. This is extremely important for safety and efficient snow/ice control 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 inpatient and let the drivers do their job.

SNOW ADVISORY INFORMATION & YOUR HELP NEEDED!

Under Ohio law County Sheriff's 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. 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 move be moved during declared snow emergencies or risk being towed. Questions for Hanover Township road officials may be directed to **896-7800**.

TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE FOR THE VARIOUS ROADS IN THE TOWNSHIP

513-896-7800 - HANOVER TOWNSHIP

513-867-5744 - BUTLER COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE

513-863-6609 - OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LOCAL OFFICE

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CLASSIFICATION OF STREETS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Hanover Township fields many questions about dead animals, signs, drainage, speed zones and snow/ice control 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 Darrtown 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 county roads please call **513-867-5744 for the Butler County Engineer's Office** and for state routes, please call the **Ohio Department of Transportation local office 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: The Butler County Sheriff's Office Deputies (2) under contract with Hanover Township responded to over 2657 dispatched details and provided 50,000 minutes of Community Oriented Policing patrolling neighborhood streets in Hanover Township in 2021. Hanover Township Fire and EMS units responded to 1075 runs and details in 2021. Fire Department Inspectors completed 53 Fire Code inspections in the Township.

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. Rumpke has changed the bins to eliminate misuse of the recycling program. All items of recycling must fit into the bin lid slots.

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, Republic and other local waste haulers..

SPECIAL RECOGNITION to the Flores AMO Garden Club for plantings and work provided to the Millville Cemetery.

SPECIAL THANKS TO MAJOR SPONSORS, COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY EVENT SUPPORTERS IN 2021-2022 WHO HELPED THE TOWNSHIP KEEP "GROWING TOWARD THE FUTURE":

Butler Rural Electric Cooperative, Stony Run Enterprises, Reffitt's Garage and Towing, Rice Auto Body, Kelly's Bakery (Diana Ramsey), Pat and Larry Miller, Clay Calihan, Julie Prickett, Ron Sipe, Mel Derickson, Bob Krieger, Stephanie Lentz, Bruce E. Henry, Terry Moran, Beth and Eddie McDonald- Hanover Winery, Patient Care Pharmacy, Hanover Ladies Industrial Band, First Baptist Church of Hamilton and Summit Church. Special "thanks" to the Park Committee for the volunteer efforts supporting Township events: Angie Clausen, Bob Krieger, Stephanie Lentz, Joe Pyfrin, Terry Moran, Diana Ramsey, John Russo, Dennis Phillips and John Baumgartner.



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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 organizational meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2023 and the February meeting is set for February 8, 2023. Meeting schedule information is posted on the Township's website. To verify the schedule, residents may call 513-896-9059.

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 once officially approved.

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VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

The Board of Trustees and the Park/Veterans Committee of Hanover Township invite the public to attend Hanover Township's Annual Veterans Day Observance Ceremony on Thursday November 11, 2022 to take place at 11:00AM in the Veterans' Memorial Area of the Hanover Township Park located at the intersection of Old Oxford Road and Morman Road. The ceremony will consist of posting the colors, a short musical salute and special presentations by local officials. The keynote speaker scheduled is Lieutenant Colonel Eric Cring, United State Air Force. Other speaker participants include Helen Rogers U.S. Marine Corps League and Sara Carruthers Ohio State Representative, District 51.

Members of the local Veterans Committee will be placing a ceremonial dedication wreath at the Veterans Memorial. In addition, a special presentation of TAPS will be performed by a trumpeter from the Talawanda High School Band. The Butler County Sheriff's Office Pipe and Drum Corps led by Lieutenant Dennis Adams will participate as well.

After the Ceremony at approximately noon, the Township and Park/Veterans Committee will be hosting a "reception" for veterans and guests at the Hanover Township Community Center located at 2595 Old Oxford Road across from the Park. The public is invited to attend both elements as the community observes Veterans Day and pays tribute to all who have served in the United States military. There is no charge for veterans. Questions may be directed to 896-9059, special events menu option.

