

Clinton Township Community

FALL / WINTER 2021

News



ALTERNATE POWER SOURCES SAVE YOU MONEY

The Clinton Township Division of Fire is leading the way as the first department in the area to install alternative power sources, battery tenders and no-idle systems, on vehicles. When emergency vehicles are on the scene of certain incidents such as auto accidents, gas leaks and emergency medical incidents, they can experience long hours of idle time. This month the Division will be replacing E61, a 2012 Pierce Pumper and M61, a 2017 Braun F550 Ambulance. The new fire truck will have a new no-idle system that will allow the motor to be turned off when typically idling. This will save our taxpayers thousands of dollars in fuel and maintenance costs. The new medic vehicle will have a battery tender system to maintain the electrical system when idling, again reducing maintenance costs.

Top: The new no-idle pumper, scheduled to be delivered soon.

Bottom: Top view of the solar display that will keep systems running.



Trick or Treat: October 28

In accordance with the date set by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), Trick-or-Treat in Clinton Township will be held Thursday, October 28, from 6-8p.m.



Clinton Township Police and Fire trucks will be making their way around the streets as well, so make sure you say hello!

Motorists need to be extra cautious, keeping an eye out for little ghosts and goblins in the roadway.

Early in-person voting is underway for the November 2nd General Election. You can return Absentee Ballots to the Franklin County Board of Elections by Monday, November 1st.



On Election Day, polls will be open from 6:30a.m.-7:30p.m. Voters on the east side of the Township (Precinct A, B) will vote at Fedderson Recreation Center, 3911 Dresden St. Voters who live in Clinton Township Precinct C (west side) will vote at Clinton Township Firehouse, 999 Chambers Rd. For more information visit <https://vote.franklincountyohio.gov>.

Planning for Planting

As part of the Township's application for the Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA program, the Board of Trustees recently appropriated funds for tree planting in the Township. Public Works Superintendent Fleig is creating an inventory of current public trees and the plan is to plant some more public trees this Fall. There will eventually be new trees in our various parks and playgrounds on both sides of the Township. Residents met with Trustee Cera in the Spring, discussed the first steps in the program, and examined a list of possible trees.

"We thought we would start this year doing some Fall planting in our parks, and next year we hope to devise an application for residents who may be interested in having a street tree in front of their home," Trustee Cera said.

Although information on street tree applications will not be available until sometime next year, there will be another meeting this Fall on each side of the Township to mark future tree locations in the parks. On October 24th meet at Case Rd Community Garden at 10AM and on October 31st, meet at the west side playground at 10 AM. Please attend if you are able or contact Trustee Cera with questions or for further information.

Welcome Officers Ross and Hughes

Police Chief Jones held a swearing in ceremony for two new part-time officers in September. Officers Rodney Ross and Cheyenne Hughes will undergo a few months of field training with senior officers before being put in the regular patrol rotation. When you see them, please say hello.



Protect Yourself From Holiday Thieves

If you're going to be out of town, the Clinton Township Police offers house checks to our residents any time of year. Simply call the office at 614-471-1479 and let staff know your information, your travel dates, and emergency contact information and we will put it on the watch list.

While out shopping, keep your purses and wallets close to yourself and not laying in your shopping cart. Thieves look for opportunities to steal from distracted shoppers. Only take the cash or credit card your going to use shopping so if something does occur you don't have to cancel or replace multiple credit cards.

When shopping multiple places PLEASE hide your packages in the trunk or out of sight when not in your vehicle. Place your packages out of sight before you park at you next destination. Thieves will drive around the parking lots and walk up and down rows of cars looking for the ultimate smash and grab opportunity.


If you expect to get packages delivered when you are not going to be home, please use a location or private business that will accept and hold your packages. Porch pirates have continued to be a big issue even with doorbell cameras and home surveillance systems. Don't let them ruin your festivities.

Ormond Project Update



Residents of Ormond Avenue have watched their street receive a face-lift throughout the summer months.

In addition to new sidewalk on the south side of Ormond between Walford Street and Cleveland Avenue, Franklin County has worked to install a new drainage system and storm sewer pipes.



PARKING PASS UPDATES FOR 2022

Clinton Township will be replacing the University View window tag parking permits before the end of year when they expire. Two parking permits will be distributed to each household, allowing residents to park in areas other than your driveway. The new passes will be valid for two years, after which time the Township will mail 2024/2025 stickers to update the passes. If you move, please leave the passes for the new residents.

If you require additional guest parking, you can print temporary parking passes from the police section of our website: www.Clintontownship.org. If you have questions about University View parking permits, please call 614-471-1479.



**Holiday Parade:
Dec. 18**

Santa will make his way through the Township on Saturday, December 18th. He will be riding in style, atop one of Clinton Township's mighty fire trucks and waving at residents beginning at 9a.m. Due to COVID-19 safety protocols no candy will be distributed this year, but there will be plenty of holiday cheer to go around.

Santa will be sure to visit both the East and West sides of the township that day so make sure you keep an eye out for the Jolly 'Ole Elf himself passing by your house!



One Year Serving You-Devin Albaugh



It has been a year since Devin Albaugh joined the Clinton Township Public Works team. He says he has enjoyed positively contributing to the community and that his favorite part of the job is leaf collection. In his spare time, you'll find Devin playing guitar and spending quality time with friends and loved ones including his wife of three years, Addie. Devin and the rest of the Public Works crew can be reached at 614-471-6854

Fiscal Report

Fund Name	Fund Balance 1/1/2021	YTD Revenue	YTD Expenditures	Ending Balance 8/31/2021
General	\$2,109,192.92	\$1,742,080.69	\$677,199.83	\$3,174,118.78
Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$10,336.68	\$4,266.76	\$0.00	\$14,603.44
Gasoline Tax	\$153,904.88	\$91,020.69	\$134,659.30	\$110,266.27
Road and Bridge	\$260,727.30	\$325,491.18	\$143,665.14	\$442,563.34
Police District	\$732,180.49	\$1,362,799.60	\$1,059,386.14	\$1,035,593.95
Fire District	\$825,694.86	\$1,699,375.64	\$1,330,087.81	\$1,199,808.24
Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$37,380.31	\$24,641.39	\$30.27	\$61,991.43
Federal Law Enforcement	\$61,912.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61,912.45
Law Enforcement Trust	\$1,465.08	\$940.15	\$0.00	\$2,405.23
Coronavirus Relief Fund	\$76,566.80	\$0.00	\$41,491.92	\$35,074.88
Fire and Rescue,				
Ambulance and EMS	\$379,804.92	\$317,579.42	\$161,785.79	\$535,598.55
Joint Economic Dev. Zone	\$2,001,933.45	\$239,526.27	\$65,012.50	\$2,176,447.22
Misc. Special Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bond	\$80,487.56	\$0.00	\$20,621.67	\$59,865.89
Report Total:	\$6,731,587.70	\$5,807,721.79	\$3,633,940.37	\$8,910,249.67

For more information on Township finances visit www.OhioCheckbook.com.

Meet Nick Haring, Code Compliance Officer

Since beginning his Code Compliance Officer position in August, Nick has decided his favorite part of the job is keeping Clinton Township a beautiful place to live and work.

Feel free to contact Nick with any questions regarding property maintenance. He can be reached at
nharing@clintontownship.org or 614-612-0712.

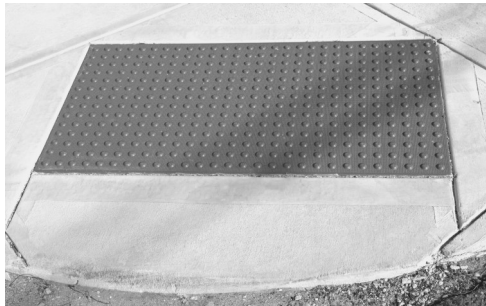


ADA Curb Ramp Project Underway

The Franklin County Engineers Office is overseeing a project funded by the Township that will improve pedestrian safety along Walford St.

Crews have begun installing a total of 12 detectable ramps at Lehner, Ward, Ferris, and Case Roads, as well as Ormond, Radnor and Elmore Avenues.

The raised bumps on the ramps alert visually impaired users about the location of intersections.



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Clinton Township Resident Communication Survey

Your answers to these questions will help us get to know you and the best way to share information. This two-minute survey is available on our website, www.ClintonTownship.org/ResidentSurvey or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone. If you wish you can fill out the questions below, detach from this page and mail to:

**Clinton Township Survey, 3820 Cleveland Ave.,
Columbus, OH 43224**



1. How long have you lived in Clinton Township?
 - ☐ Less than a year
 - ☐ 1-5 years
 - ☐ 6-10 years
 - ☐ 11-20 years
 - ☐ 21 or longer
2. I am a resident of the
 - ☐ East Side
 - ☐ West Side
3. I live in a
 - ☐ House
 - ☐ Apartment
 - ☐ Duplex
 - ☐ Condominium
4. The number of people in my residence, including myself.
 - ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 or more
5. I _____ my home.
 - ☐ Rent ☐ Own
6. I am active on the following social media platforms (Check all that apply):
 - ☐ Facebook
 - ☐ Twitter
 - ☐ Instagram
 - ☐ TikTok
 - ☐ YouTube
 - ☐ Nextdoor
 - ☐ Other _____
 - ☐ I do not have Internet Access
7. In April 2021, Clinton Township began working with the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) on its #RecycleRight promotional campaign to remind our residents about what is and what is not accepted in curbside recycling containers, including newly accepted items like yogurt cups and butter tubs. How did you receive and/or find information about recycling between April and July 2021? (Check all that apply.)
 - ☐ Postcard in the mail
 - ☐ Postcard and magnet in the mail
 - ☐ Facebook post

(Choices continue on other side)

- ☐ Nextdoor post
- ☐ Webinar
- ☐ Electronic Sign at Township Hall
- ☐ Newsletter Article
- ☐ Website Article

8. On a scale of 1-5 how much did you learn about recycling from the #recycleright campaign.

- 1 ☐ Did not learn anything new about recycling. 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ Learned a lot of new information about recycling.

9. Clinton Township's

Community Health Action Team (CHAT) has a free produce give-away twice a month at Township Hall.

- ☐ I **have** heard of the Market/received food.
- ☐ I **have** heard of the Market/**have not** received food.
- ☐ I **have not** heard of the Market, **but would like** to receive food.
- ☐ I **have not** heard of the Market, **but do not need** this service.

10. In the past, the CHAT has offered vaccination clinics, CPR training and other community outreach programs. What programs would you like to see offered in Clinton Township? (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Vaccination Clinics
- ☐ CPR Training
- ☐ Senior Programs
- ☐ Self-Defense
- ☐ (What other one can we add?)
- ☐ _____

11. On September 1st, Clinton Township held a Fiscal Forum, giving an opportunity for residents to submit input on Township spending.

- ☐ I **heard** about this event but **could not attend**.
- ☐ I **heard** about this event and **did attend**.
- ☐ I **would have attended** but **did not know** about this event.
- ☐ I **did not know** about this event but **would not have gone** anyway.

12. How would you prefer to be notified when the Township has events similar to the Fiscal Forum?

- ☐ Postcard in the mail
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Facebook/Nextdoor
- ☐ Other _____

Thank you for your participation!



A Coyote is in your Backyard! What Should You Do?

From the Ohio Division of Wildlife

1. Understand that coyotes are common throughout Ohio's 88 counties in both rural and urban settings. There are no wild wolves living in Ohio.
2. Identify that the canine is truly a coyote and not a stray dog. If you determine that the animal is a stray dog, contact your county dog warden.
3. If you do have a coyote on your property, remove all "attractants" to possibly deter the coyote from returning. This includes removing garbage and pet food before nightfall and cleaning up around the grill. Coyotes prey primarily on small mammals such as rabbits and mice. Small pets may also be taken. Keep small dogs and cats inside or stay with them at night when coyotes are most active. Coyotes are curious, but generally fearful of humans. Clap your hands and shout to scare off coyotes that are investigating your yard.
4. If the coyote visiting your yard seems to lack a fear of humans or is presenting a conflict even after removing attractants from your yard, contact a nuisance trapper. You can locate a trapper near you by calling the Division of Wildlife at 1-800-WILDLIFE (945-3543). Coyotes in rural areas can be controlled through legal hunting and trapping methods. Consult the yearly *Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations* booklet for more information. Go to www.wildohio.com to view more information online.

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Events

- Thursday, October 28, **Trick or Treat**, 6-8 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 2, **Election Day**
- Wednesdays, Nov. 3, 17, **Trustee Meeting** 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, November 12, **Free Produce Market**, 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, November 25 Township Offices Closed for **Thanksgiving**
- Wednesdays, Dec. 1, 15, **Trustee Meeting**, 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, December 10, **Free Produce Market**, 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, December 18, **Holiday Parade**, 9:00 a.m.
- Friday, December 24, Township Offices Closed for **Christmas Observance**
- Friday, December 31, Township Offices Closed for **New Year's Observance**
- Wednesday, January 5, **Trustee Meeting**, 12:00 p.m.
- Fridays, January 14, 28, **Free Produce Market**, 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, January 17, Township Offices Closed for **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- Fridays, February 11, 25, **Free Produce Market**, 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, February 21, Township Offices Closed for **Presidents Day**
- Fridays, March 11, 25, **Free Produce Market** 4:00 p.m.

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