

April 13th Meeting Highlights

Fire Department



The Canton Township Board of Trustees was informed the Canton Township Fire Department received an anonymous and very generous \$10,000 monetary donation from a community member with the intention that money be used for the purchase of safety equipment. The Canton Township Trustees and Fire Department gratefully thank this resident for their amazing generosity and support of the Canton Township Fire Department.

The Board approved to hire a fulltime firefighter/medic fill position that would serve as a float position between stations.

Canton Township has entered into an agreement with The University of Akron (UA) and will collaborate with the Canton Township Fire Department (CTFD) to provide instructional services to qualifying students for fire, EMS, and rescue training. This collaboration involves the use of fire training facilities available at Canton Township Fire Station #1/ Training & Community Center. Additional details about this exciting and unique collaboration will be provided soon.

The collective bargaining agreement with Professional Firefighters Local 3676 was approved in full. This agreement is for a period of three years.

The Board of Trustees authorized the installation of additional surveillance cameras at the Community Center and this work will be performed by Alarm 1.

The Board of Trustees approved and signed a letter of collaboration for Bridge Point as the organization seeks a grant to help fund Bridge Point Learning Centers, which has a room leased at the Community Center, has locations in other communities, and looks to further expand their locations in the future.

Zoning Updates

The Board declared the following properties as nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and ordered them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code. 4303 Mapleton St SE- no deck permit, 859 Trump Ave NE- no accessory building permit, 3710 Dueber Ave SW- unsecured structure, 4805 Wiseland Ave SE- trash and debris, 4332 Orchardview Dr SE- trash and debris and no accessory building permit.

Public Works Department

Approved participation in the 2021 Manhole Adjusting Ring Program, which provides a substantial discount on manhole rings needed as part of Canton Township's 2021 paving program.

Approved a formal resolution to send a petition to vacate a portion of 21st Street SW and Navarre Road to the Stark County Commissioner's office to consider.

Approved a formal resolution to designate no parking on a portion of Cole Ave SE between 5th Street SE and 6th Street SE within the unincorporated area of the township.

Approved a formal resolution to designate no parking on a portion of Viola Parkway NW between Helen Ave NW and 13th Street NW within the unincorporated area of the township.

Received an update the new front loader approved at the prior meeting for purchase will not be available until possibly late July.

Received an update Central Ave SE was submitted to the Stark County Engineers Office to be included as part of a speed study to determine the appropriate speed limit given the safety, traffic, and usage variations that has evolved over time.

General Updates

Canton Township approved an agreement with Aultworks to expand random

drug testing with all employees who drive township vehicles. This agreement is in addition to long established Department of Transportation required random testing for DOT licensed drivers.

The Board approved to have the administration building parking lot and recycle area lot crack filled, sealed, and restriped.

The Board approved Township parks to possibly be used as a landing location for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Festival Balloon Classic.

The Board approved an agreement with the Stark County Regional Planning Commission to engage the Planning Commission to prepare a comprehensive plan for Canton Township. Canton Township has never had a strategic or comprehensive plan prepared, adopted, or any part of such a plan put in place for reference or execution. The Scope of Services agreement outlines the proposed plan will consist of the following sections: Part 1: Introduction; Part 2: Visions & Goals; Part 3: Demographics; Part 4: Land Use & Development; Part 5: Parks & Open Space; Part 6: Transportation Planning; Part 7: Capital Improvement Planning; and Part 8: Public Involvement. The public will be involved as part of this collaborative process as the agreement establishes a format to host two public meetings to discuss the overall plan, survey results, objectives, etc. Once approved by SCRP, work on Canton Township's comprehensive plan is intended to begin in June 2021 and will take between nine months to one full year to complete.

Mark your calendars and spread the word



Coming to you live from Faircrest Park

June 26th
Community
Day 2021

At the Tuesday meeting, the Board accepted \$5,000 in Community Day donations, with a total pledged amount of \$17,300 (as of 4/13/21). The Board also received various updates regarding Community Day.

Relax and enjoy an evening of music and fireworks! The last Community Day event was funded almost fully in part by our generous sponsors. Your donation can help make this year's event possible. <u>Click here to view the sponsorship form</u> or call the Township Administration Office (330) 484-2501 for more information.

Upcoming Board Meetings

April 27th

Meeting start time is 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the Administration Office at 4711 Central Ave SE unless noted otherwise

May 11th

Meeting start time is 6:30 p.m. and will be held at Station #2 at 1655 Waynesburg Dr SE

Canton Township

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