

December 22nd Meeting Highlights



The Board of Trustees and the entire Canton Township team would like to wish you, your family and friends a safe, memorable and Happy Holiday Season!

Good Neighbor Awards





The Board awarded the Canton Township Good Neighbor Award to Mitchell Swihart and David & Linda Medley. They volunteered their time to lock and unlock the park gate at Canton Township Community Park every day from early spring until late fall. Their commitment to the protection of the park is commendable and appreciated by the many who enjoy the park daily. They are the definition of good neighbors in helping to keep the Community Park a safe and secure place for families and visitors to enjoy.

FYI AEP CREWS REMOVING LIGHT HARDWARE



Canton Township is aware AEP crews are removing light hardware from poles that have been disconnected for many years throughout the township. This is being done at AEP's expense and for business reasons known to AEP. There is no set schedule or timeline for this. If you feel a light was disconnected in error or is now out and is part of a street lighting district, please report that at this web address:

https://www.aepohio.com/outages/ report/StreetlightProblem.aspx

Public Works Department

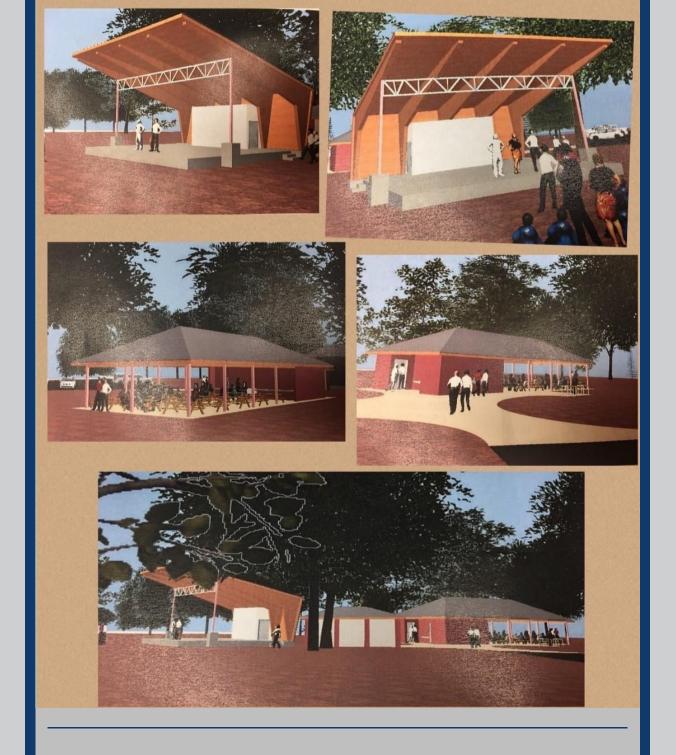
The Public Works Department has been out on township roads for snow/ ice road maintenance on six occasions this winter season. A total of 633 tons of salt have been used and a combined crew total of 333 hours.

The Board discussed moving forward sending sponsorship contribution letters to help fund the 2021 Community Day events slated for June 26, 2021. The Board acknowledges it has been a difficult 2020 on many

businesses and individuals. Early awareness will help interested businesses budget accordingly and committed funding will ultimately help determine what events may be part of Community Day. The Board is hopeful this event could be occurring at the perfect time as the pandemic begins taking a turn for the better.

The Board started initial discussion to determine interest in a possible holiday community event to help kick off the holiday season following Thanksgiving in 2021.

The request for Qualifications for Architectural/ Design/ Engineering Services (RFQ) for Faircrest Park was approved by the Board. The Canton Township Board of Trustees has requested State of Ohio capital improvement dollars for the project. The scope of the project could include a new pavilion with restrooms, a covered performance area and a veterans memorial. Funding will dictate what work may be completed and the RFQ for the design services gets us closer to advertising the work to see where pricing of the projects may fall.



Fire Department



Canton Township Board of Trustees

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Canton Township Fire Chief Announcement

Community Update

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the return of Fire Chief Christopher Smith to the Canton Township Fire Department. Having Chief Smith's steady hand and proven leadership back on the steering wheel was an unexpected opportunity that couldn't be passed up.

As the community is aware, Chief Smith retired in October after accepting a fire position in Alaska. The goal in accepting the opportunity was a fresh start someplace new as a result of recent changes in the Chief's personal life.

As Chief Smith explains it, "I underestimated how much this change would cause me to miss my family, my community, and the men and women of the CTFD. The vast distance away made it easy to quickly recognize I made a mistake. Luckily, Interim Chief Morabito and the Board of Trustees were accepting of my interest in returning "home" and I look forward to finishing my career at the township I love and care so deeply about."

The Board of Trustees wishes to express our deepest gratitude to Interim Chief RIck Morabito for leading the department the past 68 days. The Board discussed Chief Smith's return with Interim Chief Morabito prior to making a decision. He offered his complete endorsement in the Chief returning stating, "Chief Smith and I make a complimentary leadership team and keeping that team together will permit us to accomplish more together than separate to benefit the community we serve."

The timing of this decision was beneficial as the township was nearing execution of a contract with the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association to help with the replacement selection process. No charges associated with that contract had been incurred yet and the agreement will now be canceled with no financial penalty.

Welcome back home Chief Smith and we wish you and Assistant Chief Morabito much success as we end a challenging 2020 and begin a new year.

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Zoning Updates

The Board declared the following properties nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code. 1312 Weaver St SW- no permit for accessory building and 2364 4th St SE- trash and debris.

Welcome to Canton Township

College Prospects of America 3103 Cleveland Ave S



BUSINESS

(330) 806-8210

Good Time Limo 3103 Cleveland Ave S (330) 806-8210

Yard Waste

The final year to date hauling expense for the residential yard waste site came in at \$44,980.00 against the allotted grant funding amount of \$45,630.00.



Live Christmas Trees for disposal will be accepted January 4th- January 8th from 7:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. at the Public Works Department 4711 Central Ave SE

2021 Board of Trustees Meeting Dates

Reorganizational Meeting – Saturday, January 2, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

Regular Meetings will start on Tuesday, January 5 th at 6:30 p.m. and continue every other Tuesday.

*No meeting Tuesday, February 2nd, meeting will be conducted on Wednesday February 3rd.

In an effort to make attending Board of Trustees Meetings more convenient for residents in the NW and NE portions of Canton Township, the following Board meetings will be held at Fire Stations 2 and 3, instead of the Township Office.

- April 13 Station 3- 3103 Parkway NW
- May 11 Station 2- 1655 Waynesburg Dr SE
- September 14 Station 3
- October 12 Station 2

Upcoming Board Meetings

January 5th & January 19th

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

The Township Administration Office will be closed on December 25th and January 1st.

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