

# Waterville Township News

Quarterly News Report of Waterville Township

June / July / August 2004

## Waterville Township Trustees:

- **Robert A. Hertzfeld,**  
*Chairman*
- **Les Disher,**  
*Vice-Chairman*
- **Timothy G. Pedro,**  
*Trustee*

## Officials:

- **Eric Gay,**  
*Zoning Inspector*
- **Joseph R. Bublick,**  
*Assistant Zoning Inspector*
- **Bonnie L. Hearndon,**  
*Chief of Police*
- **Kay Ann Robertson,**  
*Clerk*
- **Richard Ludwig,**  
*Road Superintendent & Cemetery Sexton*
- **Kenneth Wittes, Jr.,**  
*Assistant Road & Cemetery*

## Waterville Township Launches "NEW" Newsletter

With this issue, Waterville Township is launching its newly revised Newsletter as part of an overall plan to improve communication within the community. Other sources of communication include our newly designed website and regular public meetings held at the township Hall.

This issue is designed to be more informative and has been put together for your convenience. Visit our website at [www.watervilletownship.com](http://www.watervilletownship.com). Minutes of all Township Trustee Meetings are posted on the website, along with contact information.

All Township Trustee Meetings are open to the public. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Township Hall.

**Les Disher,** *Trustee*

## Fire and EMS Report

As we continue to provide excellent Fire & EMS Services from the Village of Waterville and Whitehouse, we are asking for your help.

The green number signs used by Township residents is a great assistance to us when we need to find your home in an emergency situation. However, if you have your number sign on your mailbox post across the road from your home, it can be very difficult for us to tell which side of the road you live on.

If we are running an EMS call to your home, time is very important. If you could put the green number sign on the same side of the road as your

home, it would be a big help to us and possibly help save a life!

One other item... if you have a driveway with large tree branches, please trim them to make more room for an EMS truck and fire truck to get into your driveway.

If you have any questions, please call one of the Trustees or Waterville Fire Chief Parsons or Whitehouse Chief McNutt.

*NOTE:* You can purchase additional and/or new green number signs at the Pro-Hardware in Whitehouse. If you do not have a sign please consider putting one up!

# Solid Waste and Recycling Collection In Waterville Township

**B**FI Waste Systems of Ohio and Michigan Inc. provide bi-monthly, curbside collection of an unlimited number of standard, regulation size bags or cans for township households and two (2) containers for use at the township maintenance garage and police station. (*Customer service must be contacted no later than 10:00 A.M. the Monday before pick-up. Non BFI customers must pay via credit card. Subscribers may bill account.*)

Arrangements may be made between the householder and contractor for the collection of excluded materials.

BFI will also provide Waterville Township with curbside recycling collection. BFI will provide (1) 14 gallon bin and instructions to each of the 550 homes in Waterville Township. BFI will collect recyclables two times per month. BFI Waste Systems will distribute recycling bins. BFI will accept the following items:

- ◆ aluminum cans
- ◆ tin cans
- ◆ Brown, clear or green glass bottles and jars
- ◆ plastic #1 and #2
- ◆ milk, soda and detergent containers
- ◆ newspapers

The scheduled collection day is as follows:

**REFUSE & GARBAGE:**

**1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY**

**RECYCLABLES:**

**1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY**

There will be no collection on the following holidays:

- ◆ New Year's Day
- ◆ Memorial Day
- ◆ Labor Day
- ◆ Fourth of July
- ◆ Thanksgiving
- ◆ Christmas Day

The collections will be one day behind for collections following the holiday.



**BFI will NOT collect the following (but not limited to):**

- ◆ Hazardous materials
- ◆ Yard waste
- ◆ Construction debris
- ◆ Stone, rocks, dirt, steel, iron
- ◆ Automobile/truck parts
- ◆ Animals
- ◆ Stone, rocks, dirt
- ◆ Steel, and iron

**Starting immediately the following items that previously were not included in your unlimited pick-up will be part of your service:**

- Appliances
- Televisions
- Box Springs
- Carpet (*bundled 1 foot diameter, 4 foot long*)
- Chair (*stuffed and wood*)
- Couches
- Extra Bags
- Hopper Service
- Mattresses
- Refrigerator (*Refrigerants must be removed by authorized agent and certification must be on refrigerator at time of removal. Door must be removed*)
- Toilets
- Tub (*No cast iron*)

# Waterville Township Police

Chief Bonnie L. Hearndon

The Waterville Township Police Department is a professional, full service department of nine fully sworn officers. We are committed to the Community Oriented Policing philosophy and need your partnership and assistance to keep Waterville Township safe and secure. Our Volunteer Staff consists of two township residents who assist with clerical and vehicle maintenance operations.

## Traffic Enforcement

Our police department has a highly visible road patrol that uses moving and stationary radar as well as laser speed detection. Enforcement of traffic laws is a routine part of our patrols on our township, county and state roads. Additionally, our department participates in area wide campaigns such as "Circle Toledo" "What's Holding You Back" and "You Drink & Drive You Lose". We encourage our citizens to contact us with other specific traffic concerns.

## Home Security

Each shift our patrol officers visually or physically check the security of township businesses. Home owners can receive this same service while you are out of town. Call our office to speak with an officer

or visit the Home Security link. There, you can print a form and mail it to our office.

*Our department participates in area wide campaigns such as "Circle Toledo", "What's Holding You Back" and "You Drink & Drive You Lose".*

## The D.A.R.E. Program

The D.A.R.E. program is presented by uniformed police officers whose training and experience gives them the background needed to answer young students' questions about drugs and crime. D.A.R.E. provides interaction with students of all grade levels through designated programs and an approved curriculum that gives students the skills necessary to resist drug experimentation. Waterville Township's D.A.R.E. Program began working with the Anthony Wayne Local School District in 1985.

Patrolman Kate Hartle was appointed and trained as a D.A.R.E. officer in 2002. She currently visits K-4 classrooms and instructs the nine week 5<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. Throughout the season you will see Officer Hartle at numerous community events. To request a visit please call 419-877-9130.

## Contacting Us

Please visit our web site at [www.watervilletownship.com](http://www.watervilletownship.com) to learn more about our officers, programs, and services. Our office building is currently located at 5923 Weckerly Road in Whitehouse (shopping plaza at the corner of Weckerly and Finzel Roads). Call 911 with emergencies and other calls for service.

Our non-emergency number is 419-877-9130 and our fax is 419-877-0985. Report copies can be picked up at our office 8:00-8:30AM and 4:00-4:30PM Monday through Friday or by mail or fax. Please contact us in advance by calling 419-877-9130.



**Have a Safe  
and Happy  
Summer!!**

## A Reminder From the Zoning Commission

**D**isabled vehicles (inoperable and/or unregistered) must be stored inside a garage or other enclosed structure and may not be parked in a driveway, or stored outside in any front, side or rear yard.

- ◆ Property must be clear of any junk, garbage, or debris.
- ◆ RV's and boats may be parked in a driveway for up to 72 hours for loading/unloading purposes only. At any other time, they must be stored behind the front line of a dwelling and no closer than 10 feet from a side property line.
- ◆ Grass/over growth is not permitted and must be mowed and properly maintained on a regular basis.

### *A zoning permit is required for the following:*

- ◆ New Construction
- ◆ Addition/alterations
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Pool/Pond
- ◆ Shed
- ◆ Commercial Signage
- ◆ Fence
- ◆ Deck

Permits for any of the above proposed improvements are available by calling Eric Gay, Zoning Inspector, Monday or Tuesday from 9:00AM to 7:00PM. Home office 419-877-0156, FAX:419-877-2778. The Zoning Commission meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30PM in the Waterville Township Hall.

## Waterville Township Trash & Recycling Survey

Dear Residents:

In 1997, you the voters approved a 5 year 1.2 mill levy to fund the collection of trash and recycling. The levy expired in 2002 and the excess funds collected will be depleted early in 2005. The township trustees are placing a new trash collection levy on the November ballot and need your help in determining the millage required for the service you would prefer. In order to provide trash collection services as you now have, they will need to place a 0.9 mill levy on the ballot. Please rate the following survey as to your personal preference: Number "1" being your first choice and Number "4" your least favorite. Services are listed in order from the highest tax millage to the lowest.

- ◆ *1.0 Mill generates \$62,794 for the Township*
- ◆ *1.0 Mill for a \$100,000 house costs the owner \$30.62 per year.*

We need your response A.S.A.P. - Please include your name & address with this response and return the completed survey by July 20, 2004. **E-MAIL:** WATTWP@aol.com

**PHONE:** Clerk Kay Robertson at 419-878-4746

**OR CLIP & MAIL TO: WATERVILLE TOWNSHIP, 621 Farnsworth Rd., Waterville, OH 43566**

**Trash Collection Frequency:**

**Millage Recommendation:**

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|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly with ONE recycling.        | 1.3 Mill                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly with NO recycling.         | 1.1 Mill                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twice monthly with TWO recycling. | 0.9 Mill (your current service) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twice monthly with NO recycling.  | 0.7 Mill                        |

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

## Open Burning Laws in Lucas County

The Toledo Division of Environmental Services (TDOES) is the agent of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for enforcing Ohio open burning regulations throughout Lucas County. TDOES enforces local open burning restrictions, which are slightly more restrictive than the Ohio regulations.

Any person or property owner is prohibited from causing or allowing illegal open burning. State law provides for penalties of up to six months imprisonment and up to \$25,000 in fines.

Open burning is the act of burning any material that causes air pollutants from the fire to be sent directly into the air. Open burning includes the outdoor burning of any refuse, trash, garbage, or salvageable material in any container, which does not have required pollution control equipment. Leaf, trash, construction waste, and crop residue burning are all classified as open burning.

**Ohio Open Burning Regulations cover several types of waste:**

**Agricultural:** Material generated by crop or livestock production practices; includes such items as bags, cartons, and landscape wastes generated in agricultural activities; does NOT include garbage, buildings, dead animals, non-agricultural land clearing waste as defined below, motor vehicles and parts, and economic poisons and containers therefore unless the manufacturer has identified open burning as a safe disposal procedure.

**Garbage:** Any material resulting from the handling, processing, preparation, cooking and consumption of food or food products.

**Land Cleaning:** Any plant material which is removed from land including plant material removed from stream banks during projects involving more than one property owner for the purpose of rendering the land useful for residential, commercial, or industrial development.

**Landscape:** Any plant material except garbage, including trees, brush, weeds, and grass.

**Residential:** Any material, including landscape waste produced on a 1, 2, or 3 family property as a result of residential activities; garbage is not included.

## What YOU Can Do Before Severe Weather Strikes . . .

Develop a plan for you and your family at home, work, school, and when outdoors. The American Red Cross offers planning tips on their Internet site: [www.redcross.org/services/disaster/keepsafe/](http://www.redcross.org/services/disaster/keepsafe/)

- ◆ Identify a safe place to take shelter. Information on how to build a Safe Room in your home or school is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency at [www.fema.gov/mit](http://www.fema.gov/mit).
- ◆ Have frequent drills.
- ◆ Know the county/parish in which you live or visit. The National Weather Service issues severe weather warnings on a county or parish basis.
- ◆ Keep a highway map nearby to follow storm movement from weather bulletins.
- ◆ Have a NOAA Weather Radio with a warning alarm tone and battery back-up to receive warnings.
- ◆ National Weather Service watches and warnings are also available on the internet. Select your local National Weather Service office at [www.nws.noaa.gov/organization.html](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/organization.html) or go to the National Weather Service Home Page at [www.nws.noaa.gov](http://www.nws.noaa.gov).
- ◆ Listen to radio and television for weather information.
- ◆ Check the weather forecast before leaving for extended periods outdoors. Watch for signs of approaching storms.
- ◆ If severe weather threatens, check on people who are elderly, very young, or physically or mentally disabled.

## AWARD Family Park

(Anthony Wayne Area Joint Recreation District)

AWARD Family Park will have a Bond Issue on the ballot for vote on August 3, 2004.

1. .55 Mil 23 year bond issue to build the park.
2. .45 mil 10 year operating issue.

Visit the website for more details:  
[www.awardfamilypark.org](http://www.awardfamilypark.org)

# Waterville Township

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Waterville, Ohio 43566  
Phone: 419-878-5176  
Fax : 419-878-4766

**Check out our website:**

## ***Township Tour***

Approximately four (4) times a year members of the Waterville Township Zoning Commission and the Zoning Inspector are touring our township looking for blighting issues. One of the main problems at this time is improper storage of recreational vehicles and unlicensed junk vehicles.

Offending residents may receive letters in the near future.

## **Waterville Township Trustees:**

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Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Waterville Township Hall located at 621 Farnsworth Road in Waterville, OH.

<b>Robert Hertzfeld, Chairman</b>	419-878-6129
<b>Les Disher, Vice-Chairman</b>	419-877-0576
<b>Timothy G Pedro</b>	419-878-2364

## **Waterville Township Zoning Commission:**

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Meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month at the Waterville Township Hall located at 621 Farnsworth Road in Waterville, OH.

<b>George Cole, Chairman</b>	419-877-5829
<b>Glenn Banas</b>	419-878-8020
<b>Daryl Powell</b>	419-878-5555
<b>Don Simpson</b>	419-878-3703
<b>Tom Overmyer</b>	419-878-5611

## **Waterville Township Zoning Board of Appeals:**

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Meetings are as needed by contacting Secretary, Kay Ann Robertson at 419-878-4746.

<b>Paul Accettola, Chairman</b>	419-878-2417
<b>Tom Wardell</b>	419-878-4195
<b>Stephen Tosh</b>	419-877-9973
<b>Jack Trail</b>	419-877-9155
<b>Jim Fischer</b>	419-877-0674