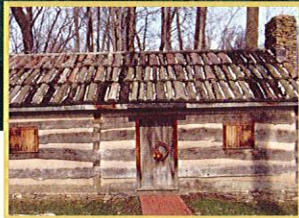


Moreland Hills at a Glance

News and Updates for the Residents of Moreland Hills



January 2018

Message From Mayor Susan Renda

Dear Resident,

Happy New Year! I wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful 2018. I hope you had a fun and festive holiday season. We at Village Hall had a busy December and are excited to greet the New Year with all its challenges and rewards.

Last year was a difficult but rewarding year. Some of the highlights were:

Finance Department – The Village Treasurer continues to keep all departments on track for meeting budget goals. Both the Service and Police Departments cut their capital budgets by 10 percent at the beginning of the year, and identified and made cuts to their operating budgets in the third quarter of the year. Our Assistant to the Treasurer, Marcia Bossart, instituted cost-saving purchasing procedures and programs.

Police Department – The Police Chief organized three public outreach meetings in 2017: one on fraud, one on the opioid crisis, and one on home security and general safety. In addition, Officer Laura Park organized three “Fight Like a Girl” classes for our female residents. The motorcycle patrol was out again in the spring, summer and fall. We are one of the safest communities to live in because of their dedication and work. The Police Department received the AAA Community Traffic Safety Platinum Award for Outstanding Service. The Police plan to continue their public outreach in 2018.

Building Department – In 2017, there were seven new dwellings in Moreland Hills. Several of these were built on properties where existing houses were torn down. Many residents also undertook renovation projects. Finally, the Building Department was very busy working with OMNI on the new Moreland Commons Development and with Larry Bloch on the new Chagrin Bluffs Development.

Service Department – The Service Department found many maintenance projects to work on in 2017: drainage, repairs and painting at Village Hall; drainage around the Village; and replacing standard light bulbs with LED bulbs in all Village-owned buildings. They also instituted new safety procedures and took a lot of safety training.

And speaking of the Service Department, it's time for some beginning of the year “trash talk.” Scheduled rubbish collections are made on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Carts must be at the curb by 7 a.m. on your pickup day, but not before 7 p.m. on the previous day. They must be placed no further than three feet away from the road with handles toward the house.

If residents fail to place their carts out for collection by 7 a.m. with the proper placement, the carts will not be picked up. If the resident requests that the Service Department return to the residence for a service pick-up, the rescheduled service pick-up will count toward the special service pick-ups allotted to each residence. If this happens more than twice in any calendar year, the Service Department will not return until the next week on the regular route.

As of **January 2, 2018** - Each residence shall be entitled to **one special service pick-up per year at No Charge. Only one additional special service pick-up per year may be scheduled with the Service Department for a fee of \$25.** The charge must be paid prior to the pick-up. Special pickups are done on Mondays (except on Holidays). Contact the Village Hall Service Department at 440.248.1188 or email service@morelandhills.com no later than Friday to schedule a pick-up.

- Mayor Susan Renda

Shop with a Cop Provides Gifts for Families in Need

Our 2017 **Shop with a Cop** day was a huge success. Thanks to the generosity of our residents, community members and friends, over \$3,000 was raised. The Moreland Hills Police Department was able to provide gifts for four families (a total of eight kids) for the holiday season. After shopping, we met with members of the Orange Village Police Department and Chagrin Falls Police Department at the Chagrin Falls Middle School for a pizza lunch and a visit from Santa. It was a fun and exciting day enjoyed by all. A huge shout out of thanks to all who contributed and assisted us on that day!

- Lt. Todd Dietzel and Det. Scott Williams

Closings and Reminders

Holiday Closures at Village Hall

New Year's Day: Monday, Jan. 1 – Closed

Regular Rubbish/Recycle Pick-ups will not be affected. There will be no Special Pick-ups or Yard Waste Pick-ups done that week.

Monday Rubbish Pick-ups will be done on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Monday, Jan. 15 – Closed

Regular Rubbish/Recycle Pick-ups will not be affected. There will be no Special Pick-ups or Yard Waste Pick-ups done that week.

Monday Rubbish Pick-ups will be done on Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Service Department Reminder

Put your Christmas trees out at the curb any day between Jan. 8 and Feb. 9 and the Service Department will be by throughout the weeks to pick them up.

Environmental Corner

Reducing food waste helps to reduce methane emissions from landfills and lowers your carbon footprint. Following are a few tips:

- Keep a running list of meals and their ingredients that your household already enjoys.
- Plan your meals for the week before you go shopping, and buy only things that are needed.
- Look in your refrigerator and cupboards first to avoid buying food you already have.
- Remember, buying in bulk only saves money if you are able to use the food before it spoils.

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Ordinances and Resolutions

The following Ordinances & Resolutions were passed in December:

Ordinance 2017-40 – amends Section 1177.11(g), “Solar Energy Systems,” of the Planning and Zoning Code as requested by the Fire Marshal, to include pathways on rooftops with solar panels and markings to ensure safe access and notice to fire department personnel in the case of a fire or other emergency at a structure with a solar energy system.

Ordinance 2017-49 – amends Section 1131.13, “Decision of the Board of Appeals,” of the Codified Ordinances to make the expiration of BZA approvals consistent with the expiration of Planning Commission approvals.

Ordinance 2017-63 – authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Walter | Haverfield LLP for general legal services and to engage Aimee W. Lane as Law Director for 2018.

Ordinance 2017-64 – authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Chagrin Valley Engineering, Ltd., and Jeffrey J. Filarski to perform Village Engineer services for 2018.

Ordinance 2017-65 – provides for the continued employment of Santo T. Inconvaia as Prosecutor for 2018.

Ordinance 2017-66 – confirms the reappointment by the Mayor of Sherri Arrietta as Clerk of Council for a two-year term.

Ordinance 2017-67 – authorizes Change Order No. 1 with Specialized Construction, Inc. for the 2017 Asphalt Pavement Program in the decreased amount of \$39.65, which is a result of contract reconciliation due to the project being completed.

Ordinance 2017-68 – authorizes Change Order No. 1 with Longo Sewer Construction Co., Inc. for the 2017 Drainage and Culvert Program in the increased amount of \$6,250, which was the result of additional work that was required along Ellendale Rd.

Ordinance 2017-69 – authorizes Change Order No. 1 with TC Construction Co., Inc. for the reconstruction of Creekview Circle in the increased amount of \$5,387.73, which is a result of contract reconciliation due to the project being completed.

Ordinance 2017-70 – an appropriations ordinance which is a monthly financial housekeeping item.

Ordinance 2017-71 – establishes the temporary appropriations for the first quarter of the fiscal year 2018, in order to provide for current and other expenditures for the Village.

Safety Corner

I was asked to share my recent experiences with you regarding our amazing safety forces. As some of you may know, in addition to my Council position, I’m also a career firefighter/paramedic. In that capacity, I am sometimes called to respond to incidents in Moreland Hills. Recently, unfortunate events included a significant house fire and several very serious emergency medical service (EMS) calls.

Successful outcomes happen when many links in a chain are adhered to without interruption, including top quality dispatching from the Chagrin Valley Regional Dispatch Center. Good outcomes also result from the efficient delivery of interventions such as cardiac defibrillation. Moreland Hills residents should know that our police officers (who often arrive first on scene) carry and are trained to use Automated External Defibrillators (AED’s). At one of the EMS calls, the AED’s were in place well before the rescue squads arrived. Additionally, the Chagrin Falls Fire Department is staffed with outstanding paramedics who are well trained and incredibly dedicated to their profession.

Concerning the recent house fire, the Chagrin Falls Fire Department called for mutual aid very early after receiving reports of a structure fire in our Village. This collaboration is a goal that many have been working to streamline. The result was that multiple agencies arrived on scene simultaneously. An aggressive interior attack was made and property loss was minimized.

I’m extremely confident in the abilities of our Police Department and the Chagrin Falls Fire Department. I strongly feel that my family, and yours, are very well protected.

- Daniel Fritz, Council President

Carbon Monoxide Safety Tips

It is a good time of year to remember the following safety tips to prevent CO poisoning:

- Have your heating system, water heater and any other gas, oil or coal-burning appliance inspected and serviced by a qualified technician every year.
- Install battery-operated CO detectors on every level of your home.
- Do not use a generator, charcoal grill, camp stove or other gasoline or charcoal-burning device inside the home, basement or garage or outside the home near a window.
- Do not burn anything in an unvented stove or fireplace.
- Do not let a vehicle idle inside a garage attached to a house, even if the door is open.
- Do not heat a house with a gas oven.

If a CO detector sounds, leave your home immediately and call 911 from outside. Seek prompt medical attention if you suspect CO poisoning and if you or someone in your household is feeling dizzy, light-headed or nauseated.

Cuyahoga Greenways Seeks Feedback From Public

Cuyahoga Greenways is a joint effort between County Planning, Cleveland Metroparks, and NOACA to build an interconnected system of greenways and trails that link neighborhoods, parks and public transportation. They are gathering feedback through online surveys at <http://bit.ly/GreenwaysSurvey1>

The next round of Steering Committee meetings are as follows:

- Jan. 17, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Hofbrauhaus-Festsaal, 1550 Chester Ave., Cleve.
- Jan. 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Gemini Center-Oak Room, 21225 Lorain Rd., Fairview Park
- Jan. 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Beachwood Community Center, 25325 Fairmount Blvd., Beachwood

For more information: cuyahogagreenways.org

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