



E-NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT:

Happy Friday Willoughby Hills. I hope everyone was able to enjoy a little of the unseasonably warm weather this week as it looks like we are on the way back to colder temperatures for the next week to ten days. Things have been busy here in the City this week as I met with Council's Deer Management Committee on Wednesday evening and the Planning Commission/Architectural Board of Review's Master Plan Subcommittee met Thursday evening.

Councilwoman Belich chaired Wednesday night's Deer Management Subcommittee meeting where we discussed not only the City Administration's concerns regarding implementation of an archery hunting program to assist in managing our significant deer population, but also that the Subcommittee will be working to disseminate information to our residents about other ways to help protect their property (and particularly their gardens) from the deer. Keep an eye out for this information both in future newsletters and on the City's Website and Facebook page.

On Thursday evening, the Master Plan Subcommittee met with David Radachy, the Director of the Lake County Planning and Community Development Department. The Master Plan is now in its final stages and will be submitted to the Subcommittee to be approved and sent to City Council on February 2nd.

I would like to thank Dave and his colleague Alanna Ciancibello for their assistance to the PC-ABR during this process as well as the Committee consisting of Chairman Tom Elliott, Vice Chairman Dan Biondolillo, John Lillich, Tom Roseum, Ron Lewis, Frank Cihula and Council Representative Tanya Taylor Draper for their hard work over the last 2 years. The group went above and beyond to meet with residents, developers, business owners, the Metroparks and many others to gather the necessary information and then work with Dave and Alanna to create the Master Plan.

Finally, many residents have been discussing the recent thefts of Kia and Hyundai automobiles in the area. The Police Department is attempting to obtain steering wheel locks from Kia and Hyundai for distribution to residents in the same manner as some of our nearby communities. If we can obtain them from Kia or Hyundai, we will distribute them to residents as soon as possible. In the meantime, Both Kia and Hyundai have been providing wheel locks to qualified customers. You can call Kia Customer Service: **800-333-4542** and Hyundai Customer Service: **800-633-5151**.

CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 23, 2023

WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Thursday, January 26, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Thursday, February 2, 2023

PLANNING COMMISSION/ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Monday, February 6, 2023

WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Thursday, February 9, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

BZA MEETING

8:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Thursday, February 16, 2023

PLANNING COMMISSION/ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Monday, February 20, 2023

WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

SENIOR LUNCHEON

11:30 A.M.—Senior Room at the Community Center

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

TRIVIA NIGHT

7:00 P.M.—Community Center

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS:

POLICE:

CONGRATULATIONS

2022 OFFICER OF THE YEAR DETECTIVE RON PARMERTOR (SOON TO BE SERGEANT!)

Ron has gone out of his way throughout this challenging year to step up to the plate in every capacity presented to him – from increased investigatory workload to supplementing patrol staffing for extended periods. Not only did he help out with shifts, he did so with a great attitude and willingness to get out there. His hard work is appreciated. We know he will continue to be a great example to his fellow officers. Congratulations, Detective Parmertor!



As mentioned earlier in the Mayor's report, our residents have not been immune to the increase of stolen vehicles involving both Kia and Hyundai. It is recommended that owners of these vehicles put a steering wheel lock on when the vehicle is not in use.

While not a fool proof system, these wheel locks serve as a visual deterrent for the current crime of opportunity involving these types of vehicles. Both Kia and Hyundai have been providing wheel locks to qualified customers.

Kia Customer Service: 800-333-4542
Hyundai Customer Service: 800-633-5151

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS (continued):

FIRE:

NEW CAR 1210 UPDATE:

Phases 2, 3, and 4 are now complete!

Phase 2—Top of cab painted black to match our department vehicle color scheme. Thank you to Excalibur Auto Body in Willowick for the great work!

Phase 3—Truck bed coated with Patriot Liner. Thank you Bullet Liner of Cleveland in Willoughby!

Phase 4—Installation of front Setine push bumper and winch. Thank you to Willoughby Hills City Mechanic and Service Department Superintendent Mark Grubiss for the installation!

The next steps are the mounting of the cap, graphics, installation of radios and lights, undercoating followed by training on the new equipment. This project is coming along and a huge thank you goes out to everyone involved!

Before:



After Completion of Phases 2, 3, and 4:



COUNCIL / LAKE COUNTY NEWS:



Please keep in mind that Cleveland Metroparks will be continuing their deer management program this winter to establish and maintain a balanced ecosystem. From noon to 6:00 a.m. the following morning, portions or all of North Chagrin Reservation will be closed to the public on several days from now through March 16th, 2023.

Specific closures will be posted on [Cleveland Metroparks Alerts and Closures](#) page by 6 p.m. on the evening prior to an area's closure. This announcement will give details about reservations and sections of the parkway that will be closed between noon and 6 a.m. the following morning.

COUNCIL NEWS

The Deer Management Subcommittee met Wednesday evening. The meeting agenda and audio have both been posted [here](#). Discussed was the desire to provide education on more natural ways to manage the deer population. Here are a few non-lethal ways to manage deer on your property:

- Do not feed the deer.
- Select deer-averse plants.
- Chemical Deer Repellents (Deer Away/Big Game Repellent, Liquid Fence, Thiram, Magic Circle, Dr. T's Deer Blocker Hinder, Millers' Hot Sauce)
- Homemade Deer Repellents (2 handfuls of human hair in a mesh bag, worn clothes with human odor hung near plants, predator urine sprinkled on ground or cloths around plants, rotten eggs placed in vicinity of plants, blood meal or bone meal scattered around plants on ground, and soap shavings scattered on ground around plants or a bar of soap hung from plants by a string).

SENIOR CENTER NEWS / UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 2023, Willoughby Hills Senior Center
1-440-975-3540

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Willoughby Hills Senior Center
35400 Chardon Rd.
Lower Level



Podiatrist Dr. Kelley Whaley will be in the Senior Room on Thursday, January 5th, From 9:00am-11:30am in the Senior Room. Please schedule any future appointments with her.

Senior Luncheons: Potluck or Brown Bag

Save the Date: Thursday, January 17th, 2023, 11:30am .

Save the date:

*The Community Center will be closed on Sunday 1/01/23 and Monday 1/02/23

And Martin Luther King Day-
Monday January 16, 2023

Happy New Year!!!!

Recreation Coordinator: Diana Parker
Staff Monitor: Sylvia Carter-Naylor

Joke of the Month:

Q: What cartoon mouse walks on two feet?

A: Mickey Mouse

Q: What duck walks on two feet?

A: Donald Duck

Real answer: No, all ducks do!



"January 1st is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one." — Brad Paisley

Activities:

BRIDGE: Every Wednesday 12:30pm until 3PM Bring your cards

Pinochle Group: First 2 Fridays
And every Saturday at 6PM

Mahjongg: Every Friday at 1PM

Yoga: Every Wednesday at 11AM

Stretching Class: Friday at 11AM



Happy
Birthday

To everyone born in January!!!

EMPLOYMENT / VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City is seeking to fill both the Finance Director position as well as the Part-time Clerk of Council position. If you or someone you know would like to begin 2023 working with an amazing group of people here at City Hall, this is your chance!

Click [here](#) for more details on the Finance Director position. If interested, please email your resume and [application](#) to: asstfinancedirector@willoughbyhills-oh.gov

Click [here](#) for more details on the Part-time Clerk of Council position. If interested, please email your resume and [application](#) to: chrishallum@willoughbyhills-oh.gov and council@willoughbyhills-oh.gov



COMMISSION MEMBERS NEEDED FOR 2023

The **Recreation Commission** is seeking new members to assist with the planning and implementation of City recreation events including: Pancake Breakfasts, the Easter Scavenger Hunt, Fall and Spring Craft Shows, the City Halloween Party, Winterfest, Christmas Card Lane, the Holiday Lights Contest, the City Photo Contest and Breakfast with Santa. The Commission is also evaluating a potential all day City event (similar to Rock and Roll Day in 2022). Anyone who is interested in becoming a part of the Commission can fill out an application and deliver it to City Hall.

The **Board of Building and Zoning Appeals** is seeking a new member for a five (5) year term beginning on January 1, 2023. If there is an appeal, the Board of Zoning Appeals currently meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 P.M. in City Council Chambers. For more information about the BZA, on the City's Website simply select the "Government" Tab, then drop down to "Boards and Commissions" and select "Board of Building and Zoning Appeals."

Applications for both positions are available on the City's Website. Simply select the "Government" Tab, then drop down to "Boards and Commissions" and select "Become a Member of a Board or Commission" from the menu on the left. From the Boards and Commissions Page, you can also review minutes of the BZA and Recreation Commission's past meetings.

ceramics · fiber arts · quilted items · soaps · candles · and much more!



BRING A
♥ FRIEND!


RAFFLES AND REFRESHMENTS!

WILLOUGHBY HILLS

2023 Spring Craft Show

Saturday
MARCH 18
9 AM to 3 PM

← SAVE
THE
DATE!

Stop by and visit our crafters with handmade
items on both levels of the Community Center.
(35400 Chardon Road)



Follow us on Facebook for
updates and more details!



Great gifts & goodies from local artisans

FREE ADMISSION

2023 Willoughby Hills Recreation Photo Contest

PHOTOS DUE: November 4 | RECEPTION: November 10

2023 CATEGORIES:

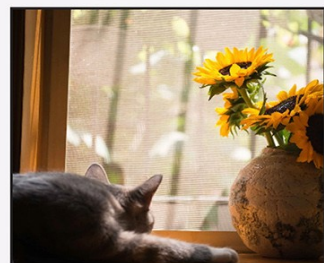
- . **Working in Willoughby Hills**
A business, a worker; abstract, literal; Your call.
Your only restriction: must be taken in Willoughby Hills.
- . **Go Green**
Send us your interpretation.
(Note: Lots of green space in Willoughby Hills!)
- . **Windows and Glass**
Shiny, reflective. Portals and openings.
- . **Fundamentally Family**
Show us what makes a family special.

Start taking your photos now!

Entry forms will become available sometime in October.

Follow us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/WilloughbyHillsREC>



RESIDENT REMINDERS:



Please remember that the Republic Services magnet is incorrect for recycle weeks in January only.

The remainder of the year is correct (with pick up every other week).

The remaining recycle pickup week in January will be:
January 29th – February 4th

Finally, because they were so well received last year, the City is also working to add a couple of Paper Shredding Days and Electronic Recycling Days into the 2023 schedule. We will publish those dates once they're set!

****The Community Center will be closed all day on Tuesday, January 24th. The Library will have curbside service only that day.****

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out:
City of Willoughby Hills, 35405 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094
440-946-1234 and ask for Mayor Gardner's Office.

