



City of Willoughby Hills

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## **E-NEWSLETTER**

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### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS. THIS WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION TO ITS READERS.

PLEASE ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO JOIN BY SENDING AN EMAIL REQUEST TO:

[NEWSLETTER@WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV](mailto:NEWSLETTER@WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV)

DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE CITY IS COMMITTED TO CONTINUE COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR RESIDENTS WITH THE HELPFUL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND ON THE CITY WEBSITE:

<http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/index.php>

### **SCHOOL NEWS:**

#### **WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE SCHOOLS CONTINUE VIRTUAL LEARNING:**

CLICK ON THE FOLLOWING LINK TO THE WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE SCHOOLS TO KEEP UP TO DATE ON VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON LEARNING

<https://www.weschools.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6GUPUYY&dasi=2G2>



## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

**MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL, FINANCE COMMITTEE AND RULES & LEGISLATION  
VIA ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87440117582?pwd=NENQYVJEZEMxZ1laT292THB5eGllZz09>

**Meeting ID:** 874 4011 7582

**Passcode:** 537509

One tap mobile:

+13126266799,,87440117582# US (Chicago)

+19292056099,,87440117582# US (New York)

Click on the link below for Council Meeting Agenda

[http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/city\\_council/records/2021 -  
meeting\\_agendas\\_minutes\\_and\\_audios.php](http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/city_council/records/2021_-_meeting_agendas_minutes_and_audios.php)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021 8:00 P.M.**

### BZA MEETING – VIA ZOOM

[http://www.willoughbyhills-  
oh.gov/government/boards\\_and\\_commissions/board\\_building/2021\\_bza\\_meeting\\_records.php](http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/boards_and_commissions/board_building/2021_bza_meeting_records.php)

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

### CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING

VIA ZOOM – check the City website for agenda & Zoom Info with the link below:

[http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/government/boards\\_and\\_commissions/civil\\_service commi  
sion/charter\\_review\\_commission\\_records.php](http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/government/boards_and_commissions/civil_service_commission/charter_review_commission_records.php)

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

VIA ZOOM

**Join Zoom Meeting using the link, ID & passcode below:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82948765506?pwd=bFdZeThjL3ZGUkRIUng4blQ3WW1LUT09>

**Meeting ID: 829 4876 5506**

**PASSCODE: 275078**

Check the City Website for Meeting Agenda

[http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/government/city\\_council/records/2021 -  
meeting\\_agendas\\_minutes\\_and\\_audios.php](http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/government/city_council/records/2021_-_meeting_agendas_minutes_and_audios.php)

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

You can recycle your Christmas trees at the following locations:

Lake Metroparks offers convenient Christmas tree recycling drop off locations in parks throughout Lake County. Please remove all decorations before placing trees in designated bins. Tree bins are available at the parks listed below until mid-January and are recycled.

No commercial business or municipality drop offs allowed.

Chagrin River Park (Reeves Road entrance & Erie Road entrance)

Chapin Forest Reservation (east entrance/Rt. 306)

Concord Woods Nature Park

Erie Shores Golf Course

Girdled Road Reservation (south entrance/Radcliffe Rd.)

Grand River Landing

Gully Brook Park

Helen Hazen Wyman Park

Hidden Valley Park

Lake Erie Bluffs (Lane Road entrance)

Lakeshore Reservation

Penitentiary Glen Reservation

Pete's Pond Preserve

Veterans Park



## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

**THINKING ABOUT DOING SOME HOME REMODELING? DON'T FORGET TO CHECK WITH OUR BUILDING DEPARTMENT FOR PERMIT AND CONTRACTOR INFORMATION!**



IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THE RULES ABOUT PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS. PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING LINK TO ENSURE YOU ARE COVERING ALL YOUR BASES SO YOU WON'T RUN INTO PROBLEMS IN THE FUTURE. CALL DENISE IN OUR BUILDING DEPARTMENT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS AT 440-975-3550. WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU.

<http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/Contractor%20and%20Permit%20Information.pdf>



### **DOWNED MAILBOX?**

**OUR SERVICE DEPARTMENT MAKES EVERY EFFORT TO AVOID MAILBOXES DURING THEIR PLOWING DUTIES; HOWEVER, SOMETIMES THE MAILBOX IS KNOCKED DOWN. PLEASE CALL OUR BUILDING DEPARTMENT AT 440-975-3550 TO REPORT THE DOWNED MAILBOX AND WE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO FIX IT TIMELY TO AVOID YOUR MAIL DELAYS!**





## **FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO FOLLOW THE LAKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH GUIDELINES RELATED TO COVID-19 TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE.

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW FOR THE LATEST UPDATES ON COVID FROM OUR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT...

<https://www.lcghd.org/>

WE HAD A VERY GOOD "START OF SERVICE" CEREMONY FOR OUR NEW 2020 LIFE LINE AMBULANCE THAT WAS PUT IN SERVICE ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021. THIS IS A START OF A NEW TRADITION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT WHEN NEW APPARATUS IS PLACED INTO SERVICE. REVEREND MAX BEERY, PASTOR OF THE WILLOUGHBY HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BLESSED THE APPARATUS AND THE CREWS. THE NEW AMBULANCE, NAMED MEDIC 1212, WENT ON ITS VERY FIRST EMS RUN SHORTLY AFTER AN HOUR OF IT GOING INTO SERVICE. WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT THAT BOTH THE PATIENT AND ATTENDING PARAMEDIC REPORTED A VERY COMFORTABLE RIDE TO THE HOSPITAL! WE LOOK FORWARD TO MANY HAPPY AND PRODUCTIVE YEARS WITH THIS NEW AMBULANCE IN OUR FLEET!



## **REMINDERS FROM THE MAYOR'S OFFICE**

**WE HAVE GOTTEN SEVERAL CALLS REGARDING OUR RESIDENTS BEING ABLE TO OBTAIN THE VACCINE FOR THE COVID-19 VIRUS. PLEASE VISIT THE LAKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT FOR ALL THE UPDATES, BUT HERE IS WHAT WE KNOW AS OF TODAY:**

**GROUP 1A CONSISTS OF:**

**EMS RESPONDERS AND HEALTH CARE WORKERS  
RESIDENTS AND STAFF AT NURSING HOMES  
RESIDENTS AND STAFF AT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES  
PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES/MENTAL ILLNESS IN  
GROUP HOMES  
RESIDENTS AND STAFF AT OHIO VETERANS HOMES**

**GROUP 1B CONSISTS OF:**

**OHIOANS AGE 65 AND OLDER  
THOSE LIVING WITH SEVERE CONGENITAL, DEVELOPMENT OR  
EARLY-ONSET MEDICAL DISORDERS**

**GOAL: IN PERSON SCHOOL BY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**ADULTS WHO WORK IN SCHOOLS WOULD THEN GET THE VACCINE**

**RATHER THAN HAVING TO SEEK THE VACCINE AT A PHYSICIAN OFFICE OR PHARMACY, THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS IS WORKING WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SEE IF OUR SENIORS WOULD BE ABLE TO OBTAIN THE VACCINE AT THEIR SENIOR APARTMENT LIVING FACILITY (IF APPLICABLE), OR PERHAPS OFFER THE VACCINE AT AN ALTERNATE SITE. THE COUNTY IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPING A TOOL FOR LAKE COUNTY RESIDENTS TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION ABOUT VACCINE AVAILABILITY. WE WILL KEEP YOU POSTED AS THINGS PROGRESS. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT OUR SENIORS IN GROUP 1B WILL BE OFFERED A SAFE AND CONVENIENT MEANS TO OBTAIN THE VACCINE. WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN NO OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEXT GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS TO RECEIVE THE VACCINE.**

### **WILLOUGHBY HILLS BUSINESS REMINDER:**

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES DURING THIS PANDEMIC. MAKE IT YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO MAKE REGULAR DINNER PLANS AT ONE OF OUR LOCAL ESTABLISHMENTS. MANY OFFER TAKE-OUT OPTIONS WITH THE SAME GREAT FOOD!**

**USE THE FINE SERVICES OF THE DENTISTS, DOCTORS, HAIRSTYLISTS AND BARBERS, AND ALL OF THE OTHER SMALL BUSINESSES IN OUR COMMUNITY! THEY NEED YOUR SUPPORT!**



## RECYCLED CARD PROGRAM

Yes! We are still accepting the fronts of your recycled cards (except for Hallmark, American Greetings and Disney which we are unable to accept due to copyright laws) as we continue to revamp our recycled card program in our effort to provide teens with life and work skills.

Please SEND to: [St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude's St., Boulder City, NV 89005.](#)

We also accept new cards (any occasion) with or without the envelopes. Please do not send cards promoting other charitable organizations. We do not have any cards available to purchase at this time. If you have any questions, please call 702-294-7100.

## EMPLOYEE NEWS:

POLICE CHIEF MATT NAEGELE WAS SWORN IN ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021.  
CONGRATULATIONS!

SAL CONTINENZA WAS SWORN IN AS A FULL-TIME PATROL OFFICER ON JANUARY 1, 2021. SAL COMES FROM OUR PART-TIME RANKS AND WE ARE GLAD HE IS WITH US NOW ON A FULL-TIME BASIS. CONGRATULATIONS!

PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER NICK CIANCIBELLO RESIGNED HIS POSITION WITH WHFD. BEST WISHES ON YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!

## RESIDENT NEWS:

CONDOLENCES TO:

THE FAMILY OF PAT BLUMEL ON HER RECENT PASSING

LESLIE MCDOUGLE ON THE PASSING OF HER FATHER, ROBERT STIVERSON

THE FAMILY OF REGINA YERAK ON HER RECENT PASSING

FIREFIGHTERS NATE HOFFMANN AND DAVE DEGUTIS ON THE PASSING OF THEIR GRANDMOTHER YVONNE DEGUTIS.

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS REMAIN WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES

# **POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS:**

## **SHOPPING TIPS FROM CHIEF MATT NAEGELE:**

### **JUST A REMINDER AS YOU TRY TO PICK UP SOME OF THOSE AFTER-CHRISTMAS BARGAINS:**

#### **Shopping**

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- Dress casually and comfortably.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- Do not carry a purse or wallet, if possible.
- Always carry your Ohio Driver License or Identification Card along with necessary cash, checks and/or a credit card you expect to use.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible.
- Keep cash in your front pocket.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.
- Be extra careful if you do carry a wallet or purse. They are the prime targets of criminals in crowded areas
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to avoid mishaps.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.





## **CITY COUNCIL NEWS:**

JUST A REMINDER THAT ALL COUNCIL ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS  
MAY BE FOUND ON THE CITY WEBSITE AT:

[http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/city\\_council/records/prior\\_years.php](http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/city_council/records/prior_years.php)

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ARE ALSO  
LISTED ON THE CITY WEBSITE. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT YOUR  
COUNCIL MEMBER IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

THERE ARE THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS THAT ARE ASSIGNED TO THE THREE  
CITY DISTRICTS (EAST, WEST AND CENTRAL) AND THEN ANOTHER FOUR  
COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO ARE “AT LARGE” AND RESPOND TO ALL DISTRICT  
CONCERNS. REMEMBER THAT THEY ARE YOUR “VOICE” – DON’T HESITATE  
TO REACH OUT. THEY ARE HAPPY TO HELP YOU.

DON’T FORGET THAT YOU CAN VIEW THE ZOOM MEETINGS ON WHTV  
CABLE CHANNEL 1024 SPECTRUM OR CHANNEL 99 AT&T UVERSE.



## **VOLUNTEER NEEDED:**

COUNCIL IS LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER (PERHAPS A STUDENT MAJORING IN AUDIO VISUAL OR COMPUTER  
SCIENCE OR A RETIRED INDIVIDUAL LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND TALENT) TO:

- OPERATE THE CAMERA SYSTEM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS DURING REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS,  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND BOARDS & COMMISSION MEETINGS

ONCE IN-PERSON MEETINGS RESUME IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO USE OUR NEWLY INSTALLED  
AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEM WHICH PROVIDES ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CAMERA SYSTEM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO A BETTER CAMERA VIEW OF THE PERSON SPEAKING, AS WELL AS THE ABILITY TO REVIEW  
MAPS AND IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS ONSCREEN DURING THE MEETINGS.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW MAY BE INTERESTED IN OPERATING THIS SYSTEM DURING MEETINGS, PLEASE  
CONTACT COUNCIL PRESIDENT HALLUM AT 440-840-6710. THANK YOU.

## RECREATION NEWS:

THE RECREATION COMMISSION IS CURRENTLY SEEKING MEMBERS TO JOIN THEIR TEAM. THE COMMISSION MEETS ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH (VIRTUALLY NOW) AND PLANS THE RECREATION EVENTS FOR THE CITY.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE (UNDER "BOARDS & COMMISSIONS" TAB).

THE COMMISSION IS CURRENTLY FINALIZING EVENT DATES FOR 2021.



BASEBALL & SOFTBALL SIGNUPS HAVE BEGUN:  
CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO GET THE APPLICATIONS:

<http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/departments/services/recreation/index.php>



## SENIOR NEWS:



**AVAILABLE TO LAKE COUNTY SENIORS 60 AND OVER.  
SENIORS CAN REGISTER FOR ONE PICK-UP PER MONTH.  
PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND IS LIMITED TO 60 SPOTS AT EACH LOCATION.**

**RESERVE YOUR PICK-UP BY CALLING 2-1-1  
OR COUNCIL ON AGING AT 440-205-8111.**

**THE LAKE COUNTY MOBILE FOOD PANTRY WILL PROVIDE FRESH PRODUCE AT TWO  
LOCATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY EACH WEEK.**

Date	Start Time	Location Name	Address
Tuesday - 1/12, 2/9, 3/9	10:00 a.m.	Eastlake Transit Center	35300 Vine St.
Thursday - 1/14, 2/11, 3/11	10:00 a.m.	Wickliffe Senior Center	900 Worden Rd.
Tuesday - 1/19, 2/16, 3/16	10:00 a.m.	Madison Senior Center	2938 Hubbard Rd.
Thursday - 1/21, 2/18, 3/18	10:00 a.m.	Perry Senior Center	2800 Perry Park Rd.
Tuesday - 1/26, 2/23, 3/23	10:00 a.m.	Lake County Central YMCA	933 Mentor Ave.
Thursday - 1/28, 2/25, 3/25	10:00 a.m.	Concord Community Center	7671 Auburn Rd.
Tuesday - 2/2, 3/2, 3/30	10:00 a.m.	Lakeland Community College <small>*near Laketrans Transit Center</small>	7700 Clocktower Dr.
Thursday - 2/4, 3/4	10:00 a.m.	Mentor Park-n-Ride	8650 Market St.

**Thank you to our Community Partners:**



## **AARP TAX ASSISTANCE NEWS:**

AT THIS POINT, AARP HAS NOT CONFIRMED ANY SITES FOR INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE THIS YEAR. THIS IS MOST LIKELY DUE TO COVID AND THE INABILITY TO GET ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST RESIDENTS. WE WILL ANNOUNCE ANY SITES AND DATES, IF AND WHEN THEY ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO CITY HALL.



## **WHISPER NEWS:**

**SIGN UP NOW TO BE A WHISPER VOLUNTEER! WHISPER IS THE CITY'S PROGRAM TO HELP SENIOR CITIZENS IN OUR COMMUNITY.**  
**WHISPER IS AN ACRONYM FOR "WILLOUGHBY HILLS ISOLATED SENIOR PROGRAM FOR EVERYDAY RELIEF"**

**CHECK OUT THE LINK BELOW FOR YOUR APPLICATION:**

**<http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/departments/services/whisper/index.php>**



STAY SAFE!!! CALL CITY HALL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

AT 440-946-1234

OR VISIT

OUR WEBSITE AT:

**[WWW.WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV](http://WWW.WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV)**

