



City of Willoughby Hills

E-NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW E-NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIBERS!!!

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

NEWSLETTER@WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV

MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT:

WHAT A WONDERFUL THING FOR OVER 900 PEOPLE TO COME TO OUR COMMUNITY CENTER LAST WEEKEND TO ATTEND THE CITY'S FALL CRAFT SHOW! THANKS TO THE ATTENDEES, VENDORS, VOLUNTEERS AND THE RECREATION COMMISSION FOR BEING A PART OF THIS. IT WAS NICE TO SEE SO MANY RESIDENTS ANXIOUS TO COME BACK OUT TO DO SOMETHING FUN IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS!

OUR SERVICE DEPARTMENT WILL BEGIN THE ANNUAL LEAF PICK UP BEGINNING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 18TH. THERE WILL BE TWO TRUCKS THROUGHOUT THE CITY (EAST & WEST SIDE). THERE WILL NOT BE A SCHEDULE, BUT THE TRUCKS WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE CITY UNTIL THE LEAF PILES ARE GONE. AS THE LEAF PILES GET LARGER, IT WILL TAKE LONGER FOR THE CREWS TO GO THROUGH THEIR ROUTES. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF HIRING ADDITIONAL MANPOWER SO THE CREWS ARE AT A BARE MINIMUM! WE APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE.

YARD WASTE WILL CONTINUE THROUGH NOVEMBER, ENDING ON NOVEMBER 30, NOT OCTOBER AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. CONTINUE TO PUT OUT YOUR YARD WASTE AS YOU CLEAN UP YOUR YARD FOR WINTER.

OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT REMINDS OUR RESIDENTS TO BE VIGILANT ABOUT LOCKING THEIR CARS AND CLOSING GARAGE DOORS. WE HAVE HAD SOME CALLS RECENTLY, REPORTING CAR THEFTS, AND THAT IS YOUR BEST SAFEGUARD AGAINST THIS TYPE OF CRIME.

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS HAS GRACIOUSLY OFFERED TO HOST A "MEET THE COUNCIL CANDIDATES FORUM" ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM. THE ACCESS CODES ARE LATER IN THIS NEWSLETTER. THE CITY WILL POST THE ZOOM RECORDING IN THE EVENT THAT RESIDENTS WANT TO REFER TO IT AFTER THE MEETING HAS ENDED.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY AIRPORT NOISE ABATEMENT COUNCIL (NAC) REPRESENTATIVE GARY PRATT ATTENDED THE NAC MEETING ON OCTOBER 14. HIS COMPREHENSIVE REPORT TO ME IS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

FINALLY, I WANT TO URGE EVERYONE TO GET THEIR COVID VACCINE BOOSTERS AND YOU CAN FIND INFORMATION TO RECEIVE THE BOOSTER RIGHT HERE IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS ON EITHER OCTOBER 18 OR OCTOBER 25. CALL THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. TO SCHEDULE OR VISIT WWW.ARMORVAX.COM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021

SHRED DAY

9:00AM – NOON WILLOUGHBY HILLS CITY HALL FRONT LOT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021

COVID VACCINE BOOSTER OFFERED AT WH COMMUNITY CENTER

8:30 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M.

CALL THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. (440-350-2188 OR 440-350-2543)

OR ONLINE AT WWW.ARMORVAX.COM

AND

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS PRESENT “MEET THE COUNCIL CANDIDATES”

7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS (& FACEBOOK LIVE & CABLE TV)

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR ZOOM:

Use the following link and access information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82890739694?pwd=S2Z2K2FFTUQ3ZzRxRnM4dVpjaU52Zz09>

Meeting ID: 828 9073 9694 Passcode: 383101

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021

PC-ABR MEETING

7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021

HALLOWEEN PARTY

6:00-8:30 P.M. WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2021

LEAF WALK SPONSORED BY JOHN LILICH OF THE AUDUBON SOCIETY

NO COST – MEET AT THE DODD ROAD BARN AT 2:00 P.M.

PHOTO CONTEST ENTRIES DUE SOON!

DELIVER TO WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30TH FROM

10 AM TO NOON OR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31 FROM NOON TO 2:00 P.M.

CHECK THE CITY WEBSITE FOR APPLICATION AND RULES!

<http://cms2.revize.com/revize/willoughbyhills/2021%20PHOTO%20CONTEST%20APPLICATION%20FORM.pdf>

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021 6-8:00 p.m.

Halloween Trick or Treating in WH – stay safe!

ACCESS LINKS MAY BE FOUND ON THE CITY WEBSITE FOR ALL OF THESE MEETINGS.

COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE NO LONGER ON ZOOM, ONLY IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

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

RECREATION COMMISSION NEWS:

HALLOWEEN PARTY – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021

WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER 6-8PM

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, THE COMMISSION WILL PLAN A FUN, SAFE EVENT FOR THE KIDS. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS CONFIRMED THAT WE CAN PROVIDE A SAFE EVENT INSIDE AND WE ARE WORKING TO BRING A FUN EVENT THAT PROVIDES SAFE ACTIVITIES...MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW AS THE DATE GETS CLOSER.



DECEMBER EVENTS:

CHRISTMAS CARD LANE

ILLUMINATED CARDS WILL BE INSTALLED DURING THE LAST FEW WEEKS OF NOVEMBER AND WILL BE ILLUMINATED UNTIL AFTER THE NEW YEAR!

WINTERFEST & ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

AT WILLOUGHBY HILLS FIRE STATION

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA & SANTA SHOP

TAKING RESERVATIONS NOW!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021 8:30AM TO 11:45AM

CALL 440-975-3540 FOR RESERVATIONS NOW!

LETTERS TO SANTA

SANTA WILL BE PLACING MAILBOXES AROUND THE CITY VERY SOON!

HOLIDAY LIGHTS PARADE

DECEMBER 20 TO DECEMBER 23, 2021 7:00 P.M.

WATCH FOR SANTA TO COME BY THE STREETS OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS!

NOISE ABATEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

By NAC Representative Gary Pratt

The Cuyahoga County Airport Noise Abatement Council (NAC) held its quarterly meeting on October 14, 2021, at the Airport Administration Building in Richmond Heights – the first such in-person meeting in more than 18 months due to COVID-19 measures.

Because meetings scheduled for April and July of this year were not held, the October meeting covered airport operations and noise complaints during the first three quarters of 2021. According to the reports provided:

- **January 1 to March 31** – 5,437 operations plus additional 39 operations during the Voluntary Noise Abatement (VNA) hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.; no complaints reported during VNA hours.
- **April 1 to June 30** - 7,368 operations plus 78 operations during VNA hours; three complaints reported during VNA hours, none from Willoughby Hills.
- **July 1 to September 30** – 7,064 operations plus 110 operations during VNA hours; four complaints reported during VNA hours (none from Willoughby Hills); three complaints during non-VNA hours (two from Willoughby Hills).

During general discussion, airport officials noted that they are seeing small but steady growth in operations this year and are at an annualized rate of approximately 24,000 to 25,000 for 2021, compared with just under 23,000 in both 2019 and 2020. However, they pointed out that this is down significantly from approximately 39,000 in 2008 and 52,000 in 2006.

During the third quarter, I also received two direct comments/inquiries regarding the airport. The first was a phone call from a resident on SOM Center (a few doors from the Cleveland Clinic) who reported that a noisy landing had occurred overhead at 2:00 a.m. on August 24 and said her security camera captured an infrared image that “lit up my yard.” She said it was at least the third such incident at around that time of night over the past several weeks. I advised her to report the incident(s) to airport officials and she said she planned to do so. However, there is no record of any such follow up in the airport’s quarterly report. The NAC co-chair said the location is out of the normal range for bright landing lights on regular aircraft and speculated that it may have been for an emergency medical helicopter. The caller also noted that she had found the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works via a link on the City of WH website but suggested that it would be helpful to have a link directly to the airport. I agree with her suggestion. The second was an email from a woman who did not specify if she is a WH resident and asked, “With all the improvements happening at the airport, are there plans to replace the old sign at the Richmond Road entrance?” In a follow-up email, she said, “it appears old and not very attractive, certainly not a good look for the beautiful airport and buildings.” I checked with Brian Chalmers, Maintenance Supervisor of Airport Operations who said he is unaware of any plans regarding the sign. When I reported this to the resident, she stated that “it probably dates from the 70s and the emblem is faded.” For the record, I assured the resident that I would pass along her thoughts in hopes of bringing the signage out of the 70s and into the 21st century.

On the NAC summary (3rd quarter), the same WH resident reported two complaints. One was on 7/19/21 at 2:42 pm and the other at 8/21/21 at 2:50 pm, reporting “loud planes flying over my house.” He was instructed to turn in an official report form for both incidents for review.



The next NAC meeting is set for January 2022.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

GET WELL WISHES TO: EVA PAWLAK, MEL SCHAEFER AND TOM MAJESKI. BEST WISHES FOR A QUICK RECOVERY!

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF SHARON AND MIKE BELLISSIMO ON THE PASSING OF SHARON'S MOTHER, NINFA (JACKIE) DENNIS. THE FAMILY REMAINS IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021 IS VETERAN'S DAY; HOWEVER, VFW POST 4358 HAS INFORMED THE MAYOR'S OFFICE THAT THEY WILL NOT BE DOING A CEREMONY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. IN ORDER TO PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS, THE MAYOR'S OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE A PATRIOTIC TOTE TO EACH WILLOUGHBY HILLS VETERAN OR SERVICE MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE ONE. PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO GLORIA MAJESKI IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 8:

NAME OF VETERAN, BRANCH OF SERVICE

ADDRESS OF VETERAN

CONTACT PHONE # AND/OR EMAIL ADDRESS

(YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED PRIOR TO THE DELIVERY OF THE PATRIOTIC TOTE WITH SMALL GIFTS FOR THE VETERAN).

SAVE THE DATE: NOTTINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH'S FALL FESTIVAL
FREE EVENT!!! OCTOBER 30 FROM 4 TO 7PM
NOTTINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH, 2921 BISHOP ROAD
WWW.NOTTINGHAMBAPTIST.ORG

WHISPER VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED

IN ORDER TO COMPLETE FIVE YARD WORK PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO HELP OUR SENIORS. PLEASE SIGN UP NOW BY FILLING OUT AN APPLICATION AND THEN GOING THRU A QUICK BACKGROUND CHECK TO GET OUT IN THE COMMUNITY TO HELP OTHERS!!!!

DO YOU LOVE ROCK N ROLL????

FALL CORN FEST IS BRINGING THE ROCK N ROLL DAY IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS TO THE CITY ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. PLANNING ALL OF THE DETAILS IS UNDERWAY. IF YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER TO BE ON THE COMMITTEE, PLEASE CONTACT GLORIA IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AT 440-918-8730. SOME OF THE BANDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN BOOKED BUT DETAILS OF THE DAY ARE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION. THIS IS SURE TO BE A FUN EVENT! A NOVEMBER MEETING IS PLANNED TO BEGIN THE PLANNING!



ELECTION INFORMATION:

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS' FORUM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM

THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL CANDIDATES WILL BE INTERVIEWED:

- Council-at-Large I Julie Belich and Arman Tovmasyan**
- Council-at-Large II Joe Jarmuszkiewicz and Brian Belohlavek**
- Council-at-Large III Daniel Knecht and Billy O'Brien**
- Council-at-Large IV Wayne Ingram and Vicki Miller**

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

Since the W-E School Board members will not be included in the above forum, we offer that The Eastlake Womens Club held a forum to interview the School Board candidates on September 18th. We are working to obtain the audio of this forum so our residents can receive information on these individuals prior to Election Day.

ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

**IF YOU WANT TO VOTE VIA ABSENTEE BALLOT, YOU CAN
REQUEST YOUR BALLOT NOW!!!!**

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE MAILED.
TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, CLICK THE FOLLOWING
LINK OR CALL 440-350-2700:**

<https://www.lakecountyohio.gov/boe/>

IF YOU NEED A PRINTED APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, PLEASE CONTACT GLORIA IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AT 440-918-8730 AND SHE WILL FACILITATE GETTING THE APPLICATION TO YOU. ABSENTEE BALLOTS HAVE ALREADY BEGUN TO BE MAILED.



SOME WISE ADVICE FOR FALL.....

IT'S FALL.

IT'S STARTING TO GET DARK EARLIER.

MAKE SURE YOU FILL UP YOUR GAS TANK BEFORE SUNSET.

KEEP AN EXTRA CHARGER WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES.

SIGNING UP FOR AAA IS A GREAT IDEA!

CHECK YOUR TIRES AND OIL.

NO ATM RUNS IN THE EVENING.

PARK IN WELL-LIT AREAS.

ONLY UNLOCK YOUR DOORS IF YOU ARE IMMEDIATELY GETTING OUT OF
YOUR CAR.

PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

HEADS UP. PHONES DOWN.

STAY SAFE!



PHONE CALL REMINDER....

REMEMBER WE WILL NEED TO DIAL AREA CODES PRIOR TO THE 7-DIGIT PHONE NUMBER BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 24TH!



ONE FINAL THOUGHT...START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY.....SOME IDEAS????



HAVE A GREAT WEEK! 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