

Farmersville/Jackson Township Newsletter

Spring 2011

Updates from the Mayor

This past winter, Council and I met to set our goals and key initiatives for 2011. We used the recently completed strategic plan as our guide for this process.

Communication and collaboration is critical to the success to any organization, including government. We are currently working on the following initiatives to put this in action:

- Village website - this is well and our site will be live within the next several months.
- Joint Village-Jackson Township Meetings - we have an excellent working relationship with the Township. Our goal is to enhance and leverage this to promote business growth and development.
- Meet with local developers regarding senior housing and other development.
- A local business directory and map is being developed for distribution and inclusion on our website.

We have also joined Business First! This group provides a link to businesses and local governments with the primary goal of business development opportunities and leads. We have already received leads on several businesses interested in relocating to this part of the county.

Copies of the complete Strategic Plan are available at the Village office. I encourage you to stop and pick up a copy. We also have seats available on our various Council committees. Your input is always welcome.

Jeff Morneault
Mayor, Village of Farmersville

Farmersville Hosts Community Garage Sale June 3 & 4th

The 12th annual community garage sale for the Village of Farmersville has been set for Friday and Saturday, June 3rd & 4th, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. All residents are encouraged to participate. Once again this year, a master list will be generated and distributed for eager shoppers to use. Please call the Village at 696-2020 to let us know you will be participating.

**GARAGE
SALE**

Bulk Pick Up Scheduled for June 6th & 8th

We are pleased to announce that we will be having a bulk pick-up for Village residents on Monday and Tuesday, June 6th & 8th. Residents may haul their bulk items to the dumpster located at 44 Maple Street for disposal or they can place items at the curb and Village employees will pick them up.

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Items should be placed by the curb the night before pick-up.
- Tires and regular trash will not be accepted.
- Place loose items in a box or container for disposal. This will keep items from rolling or blowing into the street or sidewalks.
- If you want old trash cans or barrels disposed of, please identify them as "trash."
- Propane tanks, air-conditioning and refrigeration units cannot be accepted.

This service is intended for Village residents only.

Please do not invite others from surrounding areas to participate. This could increase our costs therefore running the risk of this service being discontinued.

Let's all take advantage of this service and CLEAN-UP for the summer. If you should have any questions, contact the Village office at 696-2020.

Farmersville/Jackson Township Swimming Pool



Opening Day - Saturday May 28, Noon

Membership Rates

Farmersville/Jackson Twp. Resident

Early Bird Special Rates

Single pass - \$45.00 per person
Family of 2 - \$80.00
Family of 3 - \$100.00
Family of 4 - \$115.00

After June 1st Rates

Single pass - \$50.00
Family of 2 - \$95.00
Family of 3 - \$115.00
Family of 4 - \$130.00

Non Village or Twp. Resident

Early Bird Rates

Single pass - \$70.00 per person
Family of 2 - \$100.00
Family of 3 - \$120.00
Family of 4 - \$135.00

After June 1st Rates

Single pass - \$80.00
Family of 2 - \$135.00
Family of 3 - \$155.00
Family of 4 - \$165.00

each additional family member \$15.00

(Babysitter pass) \$25.00 per child

5 yr. and older \$5.50 at the door, 2 and under Free, 3-4 yr. \$2.50

62 yr. and older free for residents, \$2.00 at door or \$25 pass.

Passes are on sale at the Township Building: 49 E. Walnut St.

from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

Membership forms are available at our website: www.jtwpmc.com

The pool is available for after-hour parties and birthday parties during hours of operation. Swimming lessons and water aerobic classes are also offered.

Community Center/Shelter

Call Township for rental rates and availability at 696-3010 or check out the website: www.jtwpmc.com

Community Action Mission Program

The Community Action Mission Program was established in 1998 to meet the ever-increasing needs of the residents of Farmersville, Germantown and New Lebanon in Montgomery County, Ohio. CAMP is a faith-based, nondenominational, non-profit organization that relies on the resources and volunteers of the community to help those who have fallen on hard times or face a crisis.

SERVICES:

FOOD PANTRY: Open on Thursday evenings from 5:30 - 7:30. Located in Farmersville at the Masonic Temple, 50 Jackson Street.

CRISIS ASSISTANCE: In cases of extreme and immediate need, CAMP can provide assistance with utilities, furnishings, clothing and other housing and personal needs.

RESOURCE REFERRALS: To further assist with long-term needs, CAMP can refer clients to other community resources.

THE BENEFIT BANK: Trained volunteers use a specially-designed online system to assess clients' eligibility for state, county and federal public benefit programs and provide completed applications for these programs, including food stamps, child care subsidies, home energy assistance, Medicaid and tax credits. Participation is strictly confidential. For an appointment call: 937-751-6235

For more information contact: Slifers Presbyterian Church: 696-2840 or Germantown United Methodist Church: 855-2102

Jackson Township Elected Officials

Trustees - Bill Peters
- Debbie Johnson
- Tom Sears

Fiscal Officer
- Debbie Mabry

The Jackson Township trustees meet the first and third Mondays of each month at 4:30 PM at 49 E. Walnut Street, Farmersville. Open to the public.

Jackson Township Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

937.696.3010
49 East Walnut St.

www.jtwpmc.com

Permits - Heads Up

As we move into the "home improvement" season, please take note that an application for zoning compliance must be obtained before any structure can be built, altered or added to. This includes fences, sheds, pools, patios, decks, side-walks and gazebos.

It is extremely important that swimming pool compliance be adhered to. Building permits are required for all swimming pools of 24 inches or more in depth or greater than 150 square feet in surface area, including inflatable pools. The swimming pool or the entire property on which it is located must be walled or fenced to prevent uncontrolled access by children from the street or adjacent properties. The wall or fence must be at least 6 feet in height, in good condition and with a gate and lock. Another option is a deck package in which the top rail of the deck is 6 feet above the ground and a ladder that swings up and locks top prevent access to the pool. Hot tubs and spas are subject to the same regulations except a locking cover may be used instead of a fence. There are additional requirements.

For more information, contact the Zoning Department between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday at 696-2020.

Know what's below. Call before you dig.

There are several underground utility lines in your yard - from natural gas or water lines to cable and electric wire. So when you're updating your landscaping this spring, putting up a privacy fence, digging, make sure you call before you dig to have those lines marked and avoid striking them. Simply call 811 - It's free and it's the law.



Jackson Township/Village of Farmersville
49 E. Walnut St.
Farmersville, OH 45325

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Permit # 2

Village Meeting Schedule

2nd and 4th Monday
Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m.

2nd Monday
Planning/Service Committee - 6:00 p.m.

4th Monday
Finance Committee - 6:30 p.m.

All meetings are held at the Farmersville Municipal Bldg. located at 117 E. Walnut St. All meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend.

2011 Council Members

Jeffery Morneault, Mayor
James Cottman
Brenda Gisewite
Jane Morgan
Blane Scarberry
Liberty Walton
Daryl Weller
Amy Schenck, Fiscal Officer

Property Tax Relief For Senior Citizens and Disabled

In 2007, state leaders expanded the homestead exemption to make property tax relief available to more than a half million additional senior citizens and permanently and totally disabled Ohioans. The homestead exemption dates back to 1971 and has long offered those who qualify the chance to shield part of their "homestead" - a dwelling and up to one acre - from property taxation. But for years, most senior citizens and disabled Ohioans were excluded because of income tests. The redesigned exemption offers all eligible homeowners, regardless of income, the opportunity to shield up to \$25,000 of the market value of their homestead from property taxation. That means a home valued at \$100,000 will generally be taxed as if it was valued at \$75,000. On average, those who qualify are saving \$400 per year.

The catch? Seniors and disabled Ohioans must apply with their local county auditor in order to take advantage of the homestead exemption. Applications can be submitted in any year after the first Monday in January and on or before the first Monday in June. During 2011, county auditors will be accepting applications from Jan. 4 through June 6.

Have You Filed Your Village Taxes?

It's not too late to file your 2010 Farmersville income taxes even though the deadline was April 18th. If you are 18 years and older, live or work within the Village of Farmersville you are required to file a Farmersville Income Tax Return. If you need assistance in filing out a return, you can either stop in or call the Village Office at 696-2020.

Do you owe delinquent income taxes? The Tax Department is pursuing delinquent tax payers. If you have any questions about your taxes, please feel free to call 696-2020.

Upcoming Projects

SEWER LINING - PHASE IV

The Village of Farmersville was awarded an Ohio Public Works Commission Grant in the amount of \$230,923 for the Sewer Lining Project Phase IV. The Village will contribute \$38,500 in in-kind contributions.

This project will consist of lining sanitary sewer lines, relining or replacement of sanitary manholes and lids, inlet reconstruction and conducting point repairs as necessary. The specific location is on the Sanitary Sewer Main Trunk Line running from Farmersville Road west to the old railroad bed, then to Washington Street. The project should begin Fall 2011

NORTHEAST WATERLINE - PHASE II

The Village of Farmersville was awarded a grant from The Ohio Public Works Commission in the amount of \$148,073 for the Northeast Waterline Project Phase II. The Village will contribute \$14,850 in in-kind contributions and CDBG (Community Development Block Grant will contribute \$73,835.

The project components include the installation of new waterline along Elm Street and east to Carolyn Drive and along Carolyn Drive from the intersection of Dean Drive, south to Hemple Road including connecting to all intersecting waterline mains. Fire hydrants to be added or replaced with new. Water meters and services to be replaced with new, back to existing street right-of-way line.

The project should begin Summer 2011.

MAPLE, VINE & CALIFORNIA STREETS IMPROVEMENTS

The Village of Farmersville was awarded a grant from The Ohio Public Works Commission in the amount of \$339,706 for the project entitled Maple, Vine & California Streets Improvements. The Village will contribute \$35,000 from the Street Fund along with in-kind contributions of \$50,182.

The project components include the replacement of undersized waterline, installation of new storm sewers and inlets, installation of new curbs, walks and drive aprons, widening of existing pavement, pavement resurfacing, pavement marking, restoration and seeding.

The targeted location is along Maple, Vine and California Streets from Walnut Street North to Vine, then east through a jog at California ending at Jackson Street.

The project should begin Summer 2011.