



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER | 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCT 13 | 1-4:30PM
3RD ANNUAL PINK PUMPKIN SALE
THE MONKEY BAR & GRILLE, MAINEVILLE OH

SATURDAY, OCT 26 | 10AM-2PM
MORROW MARKET
MORROW ARTS CENTER, MORROW OH

SUNDAY, OCT 27 | 2-4PM
TRUNK OR TREAT
MORROW PLAZA, MORROW OH

THURSDAY, OCT 31 | 6-8PM
HALLOWEEN & TRICK-OR-TREAT

TUESDAY, NOV 5
ELECTION DAY

SATURDAY, DEC 7
HAMILTON TOWNSHIP TREE LIGHTING
HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ADMIN BUILDING
7780 STATE ROUTE 48, MAINEVILLE OH

ADMINISTRATION | ZONING OFFICE

7780 S. State Route 48, Hamilton Township OH 45039
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Monday-Friday 8am - 4:30 pm
Hamilton-Township.org



LINDSEY GEHRING

Administrative Assistant

As a member of the Hamilton Township Administrative Staff, I enjoy getting to meet and hear from the residents in this great community on a daily basis. I strive to make each interaction a positive one since I am the first person they speak to when they come in. I hope to let each individual know that their needs and concerns are very important to us.



JOSH PARKER

Public Works Department

It's so easy waking up in the morning when you have a job that you really enjoy and it's even better that I get to serve the great people of Hamilton Township.



MOLLY HAYSLIP

Police Department

The residents of Hamilton Township are some of the best people I've met. The support from the community makes the job of being a police officer so much more enjoyable. I chose this career path to help people, and I truly feel the appreciation from our residents every single day.



AMANDA CALIENES

Fire Department

Hamilton Township Fire Department has been an incredible place to work. Everyone here is hard working, kind, and genuinely cares about the community. I really enjoy serving in Hamilton Township; the residents here are so supportive. Serving in the community where I live makes it just that much sweeter!



Trustee meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Administration Building, 6:30 p.m.



POLICING IN HAMILTON TOWNSHIP: THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX

Having resided in Hamilton Township for the last 16 years, I have seen the incredible growth of our wonderful community. Residential and commercial development continues to occur and so do the demands for police services. Over the last several years our calls for service continue to increase, while the number of police officers remains the same. Our police department is responsible for keeping nearly 30,000 residents safe, while covering a territory which is spread over 36 square miles. With only 18 sworn officers, this is a daunting task.

According to the FBI, the average number of police officers for a community of our size (in the Midwest) is approximately 1.5 officers per 1,000 residents. Obviously, with only 18 sworn police officers, we are significantly below the national average for a community our size that shows no signs of slowing down.

Our agency operates with a “thinking outside the box” philosophy. Giving officers multiple responsibilities and job functions has allowed us to operate efficiently and effectively, while being responsible with taxpayer’s money. Utilizing local, state, and federal grants has helped remove financial burden from the department while providing our officers with necessary safety equipment and training.

Our partnerships with Little Miami Local Schools continue to strengthen and grow. This school year we

reached an agreement for placing a second School Resource Officer in the District to help ensure the safety of the staff and students.

Later this year we will begin taking applications for our next Citizens Police Academy. This is a great opportunity for our residents to see “what it takes” to be a police officers and understands the inner workings of the department. Upon graduation, members can join our recently formed Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association and remain involved in the department.

The Hamilton Township Police Department is committed to keeping our residents and community safe! As always, we appreciate your continued support. For the latest information pertaining to the police department, please follow us on social media: @HamiltonTwpPD.



**Hamilton Township
Police Chief
Scott Hughes**

**Hanging out with Little Miami students
at the recent Homecoming parade.**



Hamilton Twp. Police Department
Office Hours: Monday-Friday | 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Non-emergency: 513.683.0538
Warren County Dispatch non-emergency calls: 513. 925.2525

FIRE DEPARTMENT: MEETING THE NEEDS OF A GROWING COMMUNITY



There have been many changes since my arrival at Hamilton Township Fire Department in 2015. We have had many positive changes and a few challenges to work through. Service changes and cost saving measures were implemented in order to provide the best value to our residents of Hamilton Township, Maineville, and portions of South Lebanon. The department has worked diligently to save thousands of dollars by reducing vehicle and overall inventory as well as reviewing and updating contracts, purchasing, and maintenance agreements. In addition, we have reorganized personnel and positions to provide the best and safest staffing and service.

One of our greatest challenges in recent years has been staffing. In previous years the department relied on part time personnel to fill 50% or more of the daily staffing needs. Since 2015, the industry-wide need for full-time firefighters has skyrocketed and the number of trained personnel available to work part time positions has significantly decreased. At HTFR, the pool of part time personnel has decreased 47% since 2015 and the hours they cover has decreased 44%. This has created the need to adjust our staffing model with additional full time positions. In turn, these changes have increased our yearly operating costs.

Another consequence of the industry-wide changes and job market shift for firefighters is that we have had to refill several full-time positions. Since 2015, we have seen ten full time firefighter/paramedics leave HTFR for higher paying and busier fire departments, resulting in an ongoing and costly recruiting/hiring process. Most importantly, we have lost many years of experience and training from the departure of these full time firefighters. In recent years, the Administration and Board of Trustees has reevaluated pay and incentives

in order to retain and recruit the excellent staff we currently have.

One of the most positive changes we have seen here at HTFR is the construction of the new fire station next to the Administration building on SR 48. The building plan has been in process since before 2012 and has now finally come to fruition. This new station will replace the fire station that is located in Maineville and will provide modern facilities for personnel, bays that fit modern day trucks, and updated safety and training concepts. The building is being funded by using reserve monies that have been earmarked specifically for this project and a bond issuance. Construction is moving along well and we are expecting to occupy the new station in March of 2020.



**Hamilton Township
Fire Chief
Brian Reese**

Of all the changes and challenges that we have experienced since 2015, these are just two of the most significant. Our firefighters are training every day on both fire and medical topics in order to continue providing you the very best service. Each day our goal is to meet the needs of this community by adhering to our Core Values: Safety, service, caring, community, improving.

Hamilton Twp. Emergency Services
Office Hours: Monday-Friday | 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Station 76: 513.683.1622
Station 77: 513.899.1967





KRAEMER LEADING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ZONING

As Hamilton Township has grown expeditiously over the past decade, we have had difficulty maintaining retail and restaurants to fit the demand of our population.

Hamilton Township is proud to announce the creation of a new position to not only handle zoning but also economic development. The position is Director of Economic Development and Zoning and we are excited to announce Alex Kraemer as the new director.

Alex comes with great experience from the City of Fairfield as their Economic Development Manager for the past three years. In Fairfield, he brought in two new manufacturing companies creating over 150 new jobs with over \$6 million in total payroll. He assisted in the expansion of over 10 businesses and conducted over 125 business retention visits. Along with his great economic development experience, Alex comes well connected. He spent years working with United States Senator Rob Portman, the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce as their Public Affairs Manager, and the Ohio House of



Director of Economic Development and Zoning
Alex Kraemer

Representatives as a Senior Legislative Aide. Alex holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Northern Kentucky University, a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from the University of Dayton, and is pursuing his Ohio Certified Economic Developer (Ohio CED) credential. He is active in his community through being a member of the local young professionals group, assisting local non-profits and volunteering at events. Alex lives locally with his wife, Courtney. He enjoys biking, canoeing, hiking, sports and volunteering in the community. Alex is excited to join the Hamilton Township team and we are excited to have him!



Hamilton Twp. Economic Development Office
Office Hours: Monday-Friday | 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Phone: 513.683.8520



NEW LOOK TO TOWNSHIP SIGNAGE ON THE WAY

As our branding efforts continue, look for our new entry signs as you enter the Township. With the addition of the new



Aluminum signs like this one will be installed at other entry points to the township.

the aluminum "Hamilton Township Welcomes You" signs installed.

We are excited to replace the old, faded signs with the new, updated signs and proudly welcome everyone into Hamilton Township!

logo, we felt this would be the best time to update our faded signs throughout the township. The four decorative signs will be installed at the entry points of State Route 22 & 3 and State Route 48. All other entry points throughout the Township will have



Decorative signs that will be installed at State Route 22 & 3 and State Route 48.

Signage questions? Contact
Hamilton Twp. Economic Development Office
Office Hours: Monday-Friday | 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Phone: 513.683.8520



MOUNTS PARK SUNFLOWER FIELD A SUCCESS

If you missed a chance to stop by the Mounts Park sunflower field in September, you missed an opportunity to witness a unique experience in this area. Thousands of sunflowers became the backdrop for countless social media posts and an outdoor studio for local photographers. We greatly appreciate the volunteers whose work made this special event possible.



Sunflower field ready for planting.



Blooms have arrived!



Plants appear in mid-August.



Sunflower fans arrive to enjoy the field.



Hamilton Twp. Public Works/Parks Dept.
Office Hours: Monday-Friday | 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Non-emergency: 513.683.5320
Warren County Dispatch non-emergency calls: 513. 925.2525

COMMUNITY CORNER

LITTLE MIAMI AREA CHAMBER Supporting our Business Community

The Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce is different than most Chambers. The Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce makes your business their business.

Members receive an incomparable level of personal, intimate business-to-business networking opportunities. The list of members includes key players in the business community ranging from the owners of small, local “mom & pop” stores to the representatives of major corporations and investment firms. The relaxed



nature and low-pressure atmosphere created at the Chamber’s regular after-hours networking events allow members to “rub shoulders” with a diverse and dynamic crowd of people ranging from business owners and CEOs to school board members and government officials.

For more info, email questions to info@LittleMiamiAreaChamber.com.



Chamber President Bobbi Grice presenting the Citizen of the Year award to Mike Kilburn at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner.



LMA Chamber President Bobbi Grice at Ribbon cutting for Little Miami Local Schools Central Office with LMA Chamber Vice President Dan Riegner, Chamber Board member Chief Scott Hughes, and LM school board member Mike Cremeans.



To learn more about the Little Miami Area Chamber, visit LittleMiamiAreaChamber.com.



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Save the date!

2nd ANNUAL HAMILTON TOWNSHIP

Tree Lighting Celebration

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Watch for
more details on
Facebook!

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