

THE FAIRPORT BEACON

Fall/Winter 2022

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Planning for the Future

by Mayor Timothy S. Manross

We continue to receive national attention as we hosted Congressman Dave Joyce on September 1. The Congressman spent the better part of the morning and afternoon discussing local issues and visiting many of our local businesses. The Fire Chief, Police Chief and our Service Department Director had an opportunity to talk directly to the Congressman during our morning meeting. We then finished at the Creamery for a lunch round table discussion about waterfront development and economic development along Lake Erie with various county leaders in attendance.

We completed the agreement to buy bulk water with the passage of legislation by both our Village Council and Painesville City Council. Their respective wisdom and leadership is greatly appreciated. This is a good thing for our village as we will still be distributing water. Our plant has been a faithful asset for almost 100 years. It was not sustainable and we needed to make this decision at some point. If you see nationally what is happening with aged systems – you will see that leaning forward here was a must. We are currently exploring other funding sources to offset costs associated with mandated upgrades to our system. I want to express my sincere appreciation for the many people who got us to completion.

We are still looking for additional funding sources for the Marina. This will take time to complete, but we are very active behind the scenes. The visits by Congressman Joyce and Senator Portman are a result of that effort. Waterfront development is very much a central focus and will continue to be!

We have had another great year with our festivals and events. Mardi Gras was well attended even without rides! What a parade! It was awesome to see all who stayed on the parade route in all that rain! The Harbor Hogs and Hot Rods event continues to grow. Village Fest was a great day as well. We washed out on Community Day! Thanks to all who help and lend their talents for all those and all the other events.

I'll see you around town,

Tim



Congressman Dave Joyce and Mayor Tim Manross.

Main Street Tour

On September 1, Congressman Dave Joyce hosted a Main Street Tour in Fairport Harbor. Congressman Joyce was in town to meet local business owners, and to host a roundtable discussion regarding the Transient Marina, Dredging, and the Lake Metroparks Lakefront Trail.

"Today's Main Street Tour highlighted the Village of Fairport Harbor. I enjoyed hearing more insightful perspectives from Mayor Tim Manross and local business owners. Around lunchtime, I hosted a roundtable with Fairport Harbor and Lake County Officials to discuss lakefront and economic development issues impacting the village. This year, I was proud to secure

nearly \$2.8 million for Fairport Harbor dredging in the FY23 government funding bill. I also look forward to seeing community projects like dredging and the Lake Metroparks Lakefront Trail become a reality," said Congressman Joyce.

Presentations were made by Fairport Harbor, Lake Development Authority, and Lake Metroparks regarding the many projects that will enhance the Lake Erie shoreline in eastern Lake County.

The Village will continue to work with Congressman Joyce's office to determine what additional funding options might be available to support our lakefront development projects.



Administrator's Report

by Amy Cossick

The Village of Fairport Harbor has certainly been busy in 2022 - tackling numerous economic development efforts to benefit the Village for years to come.

In the spring of 2023 we will begin phase two of our streetscape project. The Lake County Board of Commissioners announced the proposed projects to be funded with the Fiscal Year 2022 allocation of the Community Development Block Grant Program, and I am happy to report that Fairport Harbor received \$245,000 to fund phase two of our Streetscape project. This next phase will take place on Third Street - from High Street to Eagle Street. New sidewalks and streetlights will be installed on both sides of the street, and they will match the streetscape work that we completed on High Street in 2021.

As the Mayor mentioned, we have finalized our bulk water agreement with the City of Painesville, and we are currently moving forward with the infrastructure projects that will support this transition. This means that the City of Painesville will treat the water and the Village of Fairport Harbor will continue to distribute the water to Fairport residents. Projects that we are currently working on with CT Consultants include: Establishing a Secondary Waterline Connection - Constructing a New Water Tower - and Demolition of the Plant.

Residents of the Village will still receive their bill from Fairport Harbor, and the Village will continue to maintain the water tower, as well as the water lines. It is anticipated that the Village will be able to start purchasing

water from Painesville in the second quarter of 2023.

Finally, in addition to all of this, the Transient Marina project continues to move forward. The Village recently secured an additional \$350,000 from a state capital grant. That money will be used to fortify and enhance a boater's beach, which is just one part of the marina project featuring many new amenities. The marina will be located at the northern end of Water Street, along the Lake Erie shoreline. The boater's beach is used as a launching area for personal watercraft, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards. A formal, small individual launch ramp is also included in the plans for the launch of jet skis as well.

Project engineers have acknowledged that specific elements of the transient marina and costs might evolve as future needs and demands change. However, proposed features of the site are expected to include:

- Between 50 and 80 new slips to accommodate various sizes of boats.
- New breakwater to better protect the harbor from wave and ice action.
- A Dock for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources research vessels.
- An area for shopping.
- Amenities such as a restroom/shower building, fish-cleaning station and fuel-dock.

Lake County Administrator Jason Boyd said the county government is pleased to be teaming up with Fairport Harbor, the village's Port Authority and Lake Development Authority to collectively advance this catalytic lakefront project.

The Village certainly appreciates the continued support from the County Commissioners, the County Administrator and the Lake Development Authority as we work to make this project a reality. Looking forward to even more exciting opportunities in 2023!

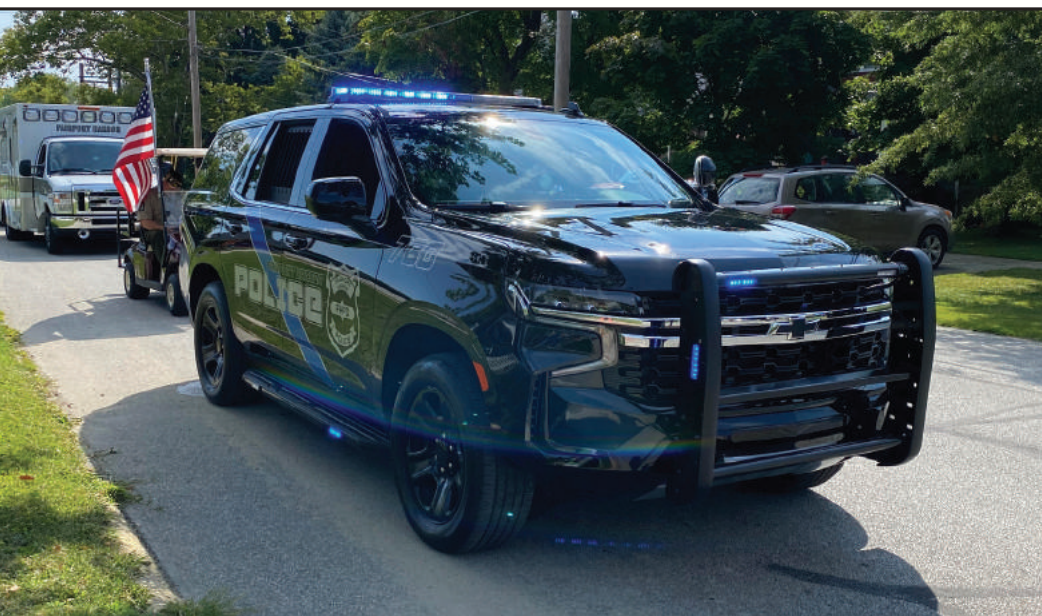


Third Street Streetscape Project

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

CONTACTING US - The department does not maintain staff at the station 24 hours a day, so if you call Village Hall and leave a voicemail, we may not get the message for several hours. If you need a police officer to respond to a complaint, or if you need

to talk to an officer, call 9-1-1, or the non-emergency number at (440) 354-3434. These numbers will put you in touch with a dispatcher, who will send out an Officer.



Halloween Safety Tips from Fairport Harbor Police Department



- Be patient and slow down
- Small children should be accompanied by adults
- Wear short costumes
- Use flashlights and reflective tape
- Check children's treats for tricks
- Only visit houses that have porch lights on
- Be sure to eliminate tripping hazards on your porch

Trick or Treat will take place from 6-8 PM on Monday, October 31.

FIRE DEPARTMENT TIPS

- Make sure to have your furnace inspected before the cold weather hits.
- In the event of a power outage do not use candles.
- Remember to change your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector batteries when clocks fall back.
- We have a residential smoke alarm and lock box program for our residents which is funded by aluminum can recycling, which allows us to provide these items at no cost.



SNOW REMOVAL

The snow will be here before we know it. Remember section 311.01(f) of the Codified Ordinances reads, "no person shall, by any means, deposit snow and/or ice on the streets, highways or alleys of the Village." This means that snow and/or ice cannot be shoveled, plowed or blown into the street.

Snow Emergency-Parking Ban (Village Ordinance 351.17)

A snow emergency is hereby defined as that time when there has been in or on any of the streets or roads of the Village, any accumulation of snow, sleet, hail, or ice. Please note: there is no parking on city streets when the accumulation of snow is over 2 inches.

Fall Back - Daylight Savings Time Ends

On November 6, remember to turn your clock back one hour. It's also a good time to check the batteries in your Smoke Detector.



Village Directory

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Christine Page (440) 352-3620

Village Council Meetings

Please note that Village Council meetings will be held once a month, in person at the Fairport Harbor Senior Center. We will keep you posted on the Village website.

Christina Bacnik, (440) 487-8633
Anthony Bertone, (440) 358-0862
Jerry Hites, (440) 479-3494
Jeff McKinney, (440) 413-6175
Frank Sarosy, (440) 223-7172
Elisabeth Shaver, (216) 570-3560

Leaf Pick Up Schedule

Leaf pick-up is provided by Fairport Harbor Service Department personnel. This service is for LEAVES ONLY.

(Please do not rake leaves into the street as it plugs up the storm sewers.)

October 17 to December 1st
Mondays: streets north of Sixth Street, and west of Plum Street



Tuesdays: streets north of Sixth Street, and east of Plum Street

Wednesdays: streets south of Sixth Street, and west of Plum Street

Thursdays: streets south of Sixth Street, and east of Plum Street

Yard Waste

Tony Scheiber's Hauling picks up bagged yard waste on the first and third Mondays, from April 1 through December 1.



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Upcoming Events



October 31, 6-8 p.m. Trick or Treat

November 26, Small Business Saturday

December 3, 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Harbor Holiday And A Day With The Grinch.

Lighthouse reading by the Grinch at 5:45 p.m. - Followed by Santa and a tree lighting in Veterans Park between 6:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Ecumenical Food Pantry at St. Anthony's will be open Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. beginning November 3.

Important Dates to Remember

November 8, is Election Day - Remember to Vote!

VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED

November 11- Veterans Day
November 24 - Thanksgiving Day
November 25 - Black Friday
December 25 - Christmas Day
January 1 - New Year's Day