



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Saturday, October 11—**

Stuff the Cruiser, Shaker's Marketplace, 10a-2p

**Monday, October 13—**

Columbus Day—Offices Closed

**Saturday, October 18—**

Community Shred Event, 9a-12noon, Service Garage

**Sunday, October 19—**

Halloween Open House, 11a-1p, Fire Station

**Saturday, November 1—**

Trick-or-Treating, 6-8p

**Tuesday, November 4—**

Election Day

**Tuesday, November 11—**

Veterans Day, Offices closed

**Thursday, November 27—**

Thanksgiving, Offices closed

**Sunday, November 30—**

Holiday Tree Lighting, 5p

**American Red Cross Blood Drives** are held bimonthly in the Township Community Room. Check our website for details.

**Trustee meetings** are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30p. Zoom option is available. Check website for dates.

**Zoning Commission meetings** are generally held on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7p. Check website for dates.

**Board of Zoning Appeals meetings** are generally held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6p. Check website for dates.

All Township meetings are held in the Township Community Room. Check our website for details.

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## EXCITING CHANGES COMING TO OLMSTED TOWNSHIP'S TOWN CENTER

The **Carnegie Towne Center Project**—a major mixed-use development planned for 18 acres at the northeast corner of **Bagley and Stearns Roads**—has been officially approved and is set to break ground in fall 2025.



This transformative project will bring new energy to the area, featuring retail, restaurants, medical

offices, a gas station, stormwater features, and a public trail as part of Phase I. Phase II, which includes a proposal for 27 residential units, is currently under further review.

Supporting this vision, the Board of Trustees has also approved a comprehensive **Town Center Streetscape Improvement Plan**. Developed in collaboration with residents, Township officials, OHM Advisors, and Guide Studio, this community-driven initiative focuses on revitalizing the area surrounding **Bagley and Stearns Roads** while preserving the Township's traditional, semi-rural charm.

Key elements of the plan include:

- Widening Bagley Road for improved traffic flow and safety
- Constructing a multi-use trail connecting to the High School
- Enhancing intersections with landscaping and pedestrian features
- Upgrading sidewalks with trees, lighting, and signage

Additionally, the Township is considering zoning updates to promote walkability, reduce the visual impact of parking, and support mixed-use development—further encouraging new businesses and establishing a vibrant central gathering space for residents.

Together, the Carnegie Towne Center and Streetscape Improvement Plan represent a major step forward in building a more connected, welcoming, and community-focused Town Center for Olmsted Township.

## GRANTS FUNDS AWARDED TO MODERNIZE ZONING FOR FUTURE GROWTH

Olmsted Township received a state grant through the Ohio Department of Development's Housing Technical Assistance Program to update its Zoning Resolution. This effort will modernize outdated zoning regulations, eliminate inconsistencies, and align local rules with state law, regional standards, and the Township's Land Use and Comprehensive Plans.

The Township has partnered with OHM Advisors, an experienced planning and engineering firm, to lead the update. OHM will review the current code, identify needed revisions, and work with Township officials to prepare a clear, enforceable, and forward-looking zoning framework. The updated code will also align with Cuyahoga County's Subdivision Regulations, helping streamline development reviews.

This project supports the Township's long-term goals for smart, balanced growth and ensures zoning policies are equipped to guide future development while preserving community character.



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## SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES, SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBORS.

## TOWNSHIP BUSINESS

## Spotlight



## Meet JOE HUBER

Angelina's Pizza has been a staple of the Olmsted Community since 1994. After a move to the Township in 2023 to better serve the needs of its loyal customers, founder Ann Miller-Reichle passed the torch to Joe Huber, who also owns locations in Elyria and North Ridgeville, in 2024. Under Joe's leadership, Angelina's continues to deliver the same great quality our community loves - while also staying committed to giving back and supporting local causes.

"I've lived in this community for over 20 years. My wife, Christy, graduated from OFHS in 1996 and our son just last year. We have two daughters that are still in the schools. It means so much to be able to support many schools, churches and organizations in the community in which we live. We can only do this with the support from this wonderful community."



## Reminder:



To help emergency responders, delivery drivers and Township Services locate your home quickly and safely, please **ensure your house number is clearly marked** and visible from the street.



PUBLIC SAFETY, SERVICES & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

TOWNSHIP POLICE HOSTS INAGURAL BIKE RODEO



Olmsted Township recently hosted its first **Bike Rodeo**, organized by the **Olmsted Township Police Department**. Held at the Community Room on August 17th, the event was a fun, educational experience for children and families alike.

Young riders had the chance to test their skills on an obstacle course, learn important bike safety tips, and meet the Township’s Bike Officers, who were on hand to engage with families, answer questions, and build positive community connections.

**Eddy’s Bike Shop** was on site to perform helmet fittings and bike inspections, and **RTA** provided free Safety ID cards as a part of their “Operation Community Watch” program. **Angelina’s Pizza**, popcorn, giveaways, and prizes helped to make it a memorable day for all who attended. Due to its success, there are plans to make the Bike Rodeo an annual tradition in the Township.

E-BIKE SAFETY REMINDER

E-bikes have quickly grown in popularity, but with that comes an increase in e-bike-related injuries. Whether you’re a beginner or an experienced rider, it’s important to know the rules and ride safely. **Class 1** bikes are best for beginners. They are pedal-assist only and have a speed limit of 20 mph. **Class 2** bikes also have a speed limit of 20mph, but can be pedal-assist and throttle control, allowing riders to use the motor without pedaling. **Class 3** bike riders are best for advanced riders, and they are **REQUIRED** to wear a helmet and eye protection.



- ALL E-bikes, regardless of class:
- Must obey all traffic laws
  - Motor use is prohibited on sidewalks
  - Must use white light on the front, red reflector and red light on the back

FIRE DEPARTMENT ENHANCES SAFETY, COMMUNICATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The **Olmsted Township Fire Department** continues to move forward with key improvements and a deep commitment to public safety. Fire Chief Matt Schneider shared his appreciation for the ongoing support from the community and emphasized that the department remains dedicated to protecting residents through responsive service, education, and proactive risk reduction.

In recent months, the department has made several advancements. The transition to the North Olmsted Dispatch Center has strengthened regional cooperation and improved emergency response coordination. Additionally, firefighters are now equipped with updated Motorola portable radios, a critical investment that enhances the clarity and reliability of emergency communications. The department also completed a rigorous evaluation from the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and successfully maintained its Public Protection Classification of 3/3Y, reflecting a strong ability to respond to and suppress fires effectively.

Beyond emergency calls, the department remains active in the community. Crews have been busy with:

- Hydrant testing and fire inspections
- “Stop the Bleed” training for school staff
- CPR training and smoke detector installations
- Child car seat safety checks
- Residential Lock Box Program
- File of Life medical form distribution

All of these efforts are part of a robust **Community Risk Reduction strategy** that puts prevention and education front and center.

Looking ahead, the department invites residents to attend the upcoming Halloween Open House and Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony—two events that bring the community



together in celebration and connection with local first responders. As always, Chief Schneider encourages everyone to stay vigilant about fire safety by checking smoke alarms, maintaining fire extinguishers, and practicing home escape plans. Residents are encouraged to reach out to the department for fire safety guidance, inspections, or participation in public education programs.

PUBLIC SAFETY, SERVICES, & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

BUILDING DEPARTMENT PREPARES FOR CLOUD-BASED PERMITTING WITH CITIZENSERVE

The **Olmsted Township Building Department** is in the process of modernizing how residents, contractors, and businesses interact with its services. A major transition is underway to adopt **Citizenserve**, a cloud-based permit management system that will streamline the entire permitting process from application to inspection.

**Citizenserve** is widely used by municipalities across the country to improve service delivery and increase transparency. Once implemented, residents and contractors will be able to apply for permits online, track their status in real time, and submit plans electronically without needing to visit Township offices. Inspection scheduling and communication will also be handled through the system, making the process more convenient and efficient for everyone involved.

The Department is working closely with **Citizenserve’s** team to customize the software for the Township’s specific needs. The system is expected to launch in early 2026.

This initiative reflects the department’s ongoing focus on improving efficiency, reducing paperwork, and providing faster service. As the Township continues to grow and evolve, the move to **Citizenserve** will ensure that permitting and inspection services remain responsive, accessible, and aligned with community expectations.

**Winter Home Preparation Checklist**  
*Courtesy of the Olmsted Township Building Department*

**Heating & Fire Safety**

- ☑ Schedule a professional inspection of your heating system
- ☑ Replace furnace filters
- ☑ Clean chimneys (if using a fireplace or wood-burning stove)

**Energy Efficiency**

- ☑ Check for drafts around doors, windows
- ☑ Seal gaps and cracks to prevent heat loss
- ☑ Add insulation where needed

**Exterior Maintenance**

- ☑ Clean gutters and downspouts to prevent water buildup and ice damage
- ☑ Inspect roof and siding for any necessary repairs
- ☑ Shut off and drain outdoor faucets to prevent frozen pipes

**Safety & Emergency Prep**

- ☑ Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- ☑ Stock up on emergency supplies (flashlights, bottled water, non-perishable food)

**LEAF COLLECTION—2025 UPDATE**

The Service Department will be handling in-house leaf pickup during the 2025 season. Our crews will be working hard throughout the fall to keep up with the volume of leaves. Please note that delays may occur during periods of heavy leaf fall or inclement weather. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

**TO HELP US KEEP THINGS RUNNING SMOOTHLY:**

- **Keep leaves out of the street.** This prevents clogged storm drains and reduces flooding risk.
- **Do not mix in branches or yard waste**
- **Avoid parking in front of leaf piles.** If we can’t reach them, we can’t collect them!

Let’s work together to keep our community safe, clean and beautiful this fall. Thanks for doing your part to make the leaf collection process efficient for everyone!



The pavilion at the Township Dog Park & Nature Trail is now complete, and construction of the restroom facilities is currently in progress. These enhancements, along with other site improvements, are being funded through \$250,000 in State Capital Funds administered by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).