

# JACKSON TOWNSHIP NEWS

Jackson Township, Seneca County, Ohio

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## ZION CEMETERY NEWS

The Jackson Township trustees maintain two cemeteries. Disinger Cemetery is located on CR 25 north of the intersection with TR 172. Disinger is an old and inactive cemetery. Zion Lutheran Cemetery is the active cemetery in Jackson Township. It is located on CR 592 at the intersection of CR 39, just 2 miles east of SR 12. The trustees have improved the cemetery this year by removing overgrown and diseased trees and paving the cemetery drive. Part-time employee Larry Hoffman does a fine job of keeping the cemetery mowed and trimmed.

The Striff Family initiated and funded the moving of the Zion Lutheran Church bell from across the road onto the cemetery property near the curve in the drive. This is a very nice addition to our cemetery. Lots and burial costs in Zion Cemetery are very reasonable. The current rates are as follows: Grave Lots: Township Residents-\$200.00; Non Residents-\$500.00 Opening & Closing of Graves: Township Residents- \$300.00; Non Residents-\$500.00 Opening & Closing for Cremations: Township Residents- \$150.00; Non Residents-\$250.00. Please contact Linda Naderer at (419) 435-8286 if you would like to purchase a cemetery lot.



## TRUSTEES

Rick Findley	419-435-1221
Tim Reinhart	419-619-0190
Steve Naderer	419-435-8286

### Meetings

First & Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

### Fiscal Officer

Linda Naderer	419-435-8286
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### Township Employees

Ron Johnson	419-619-5818
Larry Hoffman	

### Zoning Inspector

Ron Williams	419-619-4533
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### Zoning Board of Commissioners

Jim Harrison	419-435-9317
Les Strabele	419-435-5159
Dorothy Colbert	419-435-2732
Rick Leshner	419-436-0763
Jeff Hammer	419-435-1865

### Meetings

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.

## Go Green!

Help us save paper, time and money. Join our list of residents receiving our newsletter electronically. If interested, you can email us at: [admin@jacksonswp-seneca.com](mailto:admin@jacksonswp-seneca.com). If you know of any township resident that did not receive this newsletter and would like a copy (electronic or paper form), contact Linda Naderer at the above email address or phone 419-435-8286.

## RECYCLING CHANGES

**Attention all Jackson Township Residents!!** Please read the enclosed flyer concerning the changes to our recycling program. Beginning Monday, October 1, 2012 the township will be offering this new full-time recycling drop-off, 7 days a week during daylight hours. Please note that all materials can be put into the container together. No more sorting glass, metal, plastic, paper & magazines. Simply rinse containers and flatten boxes! (Please see insert for more detailed instructions.) The recycling containers will be located behind the salt shed (the old recycling trailer building). **This full-time drop-off service is for recyclables only! All other trash will continue to be collected at the township house on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from noon until 5:30 p.m. The trash roll off dumpster on these days is for non-recyclable trash only!! Please place recyclables in the recycling container!**

### NEW TOWNSHIP HOUSE SIGN

Have you noticed the new sign above the doors on the front of the township house? This new vinyl sign replaces the original wooden sign with plastic lettering that was deteriorated. The township house parking lot was repaved in 2011. The concrete bumpers were removed and parking lines were added with two spots for handicapped parking.



### Wanted: Used Motor Oil

The township has a used oil furnace to heat the shop and save money on propane expenses. If you have a small container of used oil, you can bring it to the township house on trash collection days. If you have a drum or a large amount of used oil, call Ron at 419-619-5818 and he will make arrangements to pick up the oil at your site.

Any non-contaminated oil you can give us would be appreciated!

### Just a reminder

Jackson Township only maintains township roads - not county or state roads that are in the township. If you see a problem on a county road, contact the county garage at 419-447-3863.

### Website Links

The Jackson Township website now contains links to various county and state agencies. When you get a chance, take a look.

### POLICY FOR PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS

The following policy was adopted by the township trustees on August 7, 2012:

The Jackson Township Trustees establish the following requirements for private driveways: Concrete drives shall end at least 12' from the center of the paved portion of the road. Asphalt drives may be paved to the edge of the road. For all driveway types, the grade height should be at or below the road surface.

## ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

### 2011

Jackson Township had one paving project in 2011. TR 53 was paved at a cost of \$31,044.19. We applied for Issue 1 money collaboratively with other townships in Seneca County for this project. The Ohio Public Works Commission grant for this project was \$26,077.12 and the township's share was \$4,967.07. Portions of TR 35 and TR 57 and all of TR 55 were chip sealed at a cost of \$24,501.20. The trustees also crack sealed portions of TR 41, TR 47, TR 65 and TR 172. This is a tar type material that is heated and applied to cracks in the pavement to preserve the road surface (those shiny squiggly lines you see on the roads). The material for this cost \$4,272.00.

### 2012

Jackson Township had three paving projects in 2012. TR 63 from TR 33 north to CR 28, was paved at a cost of \$67,136.70. We applied for and received funding for this project from the Ohio Public Works Issue 1 program in the amount of \$26,183. The section of TR 35 from US 23 east to TR 63 was also paved. We applied for Issue 1 money collaboratively with other townships in Seneca County for this project. The cost of paving this section of TR 35 is estimated to be \$46,183. The Ohio Public Works Commission grant will cover about 70% of this project. The township paved the portion of TR 47 from SR 12 north to TR 41 using only township funds. The cost of paving this section of road was \$27,360. The trustees also plan to do some more crack sealing this year.

## 2013 PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

The trustees have applied for an Issue 1 grant from OPWC to pave TR 36 from CR 5 east to the township line. The county engineer's estimate for this project is \$86,348. The township also applied for Issue 1 money collaboratively with other townships in Seneca County for paving TR 34 from CR 5 east to the township line. The engineer's estimate for this project is \$52,723.

## INFORMATION FROM THE OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION

The care and maintenance of the township road system is the largest function of townships today. Responsibility for the roads is divided among levels of government in terms of miles of roadway: State of Ohio, 19,000 miles; counties, 29,000 miles; municipalities, 31,000 miles; and townships, 41,000 miles.

## FIRE LEVY

The 1.0 mill replacement levy for fire protection that was on the ballot last year, was passed by the voters. This levy will generate about \$15,000 more per year in revenue to the township than the levy it replaces. The trustees plan to use some of this money to help pay for a new pumper truck to be used by the Kansas Volunteer Fire Department. The remainder of the money will be used for fire protection services contracts and to maintain the fire station located on TR 63 across from Fostoria Mobile Estates. The township currently has contracts with the Kansas Volunteer Fire Department, Risingsun Fire Department and Bascom Joint Fire District for fire protection.

## NEW EQUIPMENT

The trustees replaced the 1994 GMC pickup truck with a 2012 Ford F550 dump truck. The new truck has a 9' stainless steel dump body and stainless steel salt spreader. The new truck is also equipped with a 10' Henderson snow plow.



### Snow Removal

Just a reminder- When clearing your driveway of snow, please make sure that all snow is pushed completely off the road. If a pile of snow is left on the road which causes an accident, the homeowner who put the snow there could be held liable. The trustees' policy on mailboxes is to only replace those boxes that are actually hit by a township snowplow. If the mailbox is knocked off by the thrown snow, it is the resident's responsibility to replace the box. Also don't forget to clear the snow from your paper & mailbox approach!

**Food Available for Low Income Families**  
Jackson Township currently works with the Village of Risingsun to pick up food at the Toledo Seagate Food Bank to be distributed to low income residents of the township. The food is available to eligible residents on the second Wednesday of each month from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Contact Linda Naderer at 419-435-8286 for a form to determine your eligibility which is based on household size and income. This form must be signed and sent to Linda before you can pick up food.