



# Porter Township Newsletter

Spring 2010

Home of Delaware County's Only Covered Bridge

## From the Chairman

A Summary of Township Activities

The year 2009 has passed and we are well on our way into 2010. We want you to know that 1.82 miles of Plantation Road from State Route 656 to Monkey Hollow Road will be broken up, and new hard surface will be installed this year. We were able to secure a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission for \$282,500. to repair and hard surface the road.

Our next project is East Liberty North Road from Chambers Road to Morrow County Line. Normally we try to widen and improve approximately one mile of gravel road per year. Last year we improved and widened the gravel base on the south end of East Liberty North Road. We plan on applying for grants from the Ohio Public Works Commission to financially assist with applying hard surface the year after widening of each road is complete. We held a Board of Trustees special meeting March 11<sup>th</sup>. with residents of East Liberty North Road. The agenda was discussion of reconstruction of the road, and how it will impact landowners.

Our 27 miles of Porter Township Roads are changing to hard surface. We now face new challenges in maintaining our hard surface roads, such as, snow removal and maintenance chip and seal to protect the current improved roads. The harsh winter weather took its toll on all roads, and they are in much need of maintenance. With limited funds, it is crucial to spend wisely. We will try to apply maintenance chip and seal on as many miles of hard surface as possible. The Delaware County Engineering office is assisting in determination of what roads are in most need.

The Porter Township Zoning Commission held a public hearing April 8<sup>th</sup> for public input of the proposed new zoning code. At conclusion of the meeting, the Board passed resolution to forward the proposed code to the Board of Trustees. The Trustees will discuss this in a special public meeting.

I look forward to working with you in making decisions that are in the best interest of all the residents.

Dan Mirise, Township Trustee Chair

## 2010 East Liberty Road Improvement Project

If all property owners on East Liberty Road sign a consent form, we will continue the improvement project going north from Chambers Road to the county line. Driveway culverts will be replaced as needed as well as tree removal and reshaping of the ditches. This project will endure most of the summer; thus no dust control will be applied to this portion of East Liberty Road. During the construction, the road will be closed periodically. Please be patient and follow any posted detours as needed. For questions, please call Eddy Ambrose 740-965-3517 or Bob Ryan 740-965-6498.

## Rent the township hall

If you are planning to get family/friends together for a special occasion, why not rent the township hall? It is a very nice facility situated in Olive Green, in the center of our community. Residents can rent it for a very reasonable fee. For more information see Rental of Township Hall on the FEES page of the website. [www.PorterTwp.org](http://www.PorterTwp.org)  
To schedule a date, please call Eddy Ambrose at 740-965-3517.

### **DUST CONTROL PLANNED FOR MAY**

As in every year, we will apply the dust control in front of the residences located on gravel roads in Porter Township. The application will be twelve-foot(12) wide; seventy-five-foot(75) long chip and seal mat in front of each house. The tentative date of application is the week of May 11th.

If the homeowner wants to purchase additional coverage, the cost is \$1.45 per/foot, twelve feet(12) wide. Neighbors who live close together may want to share the cost of extra dust control between their homes to leave one continuous mat. To request additional coverage, please submit your order form and check before May 4, 2009, so we can plan for the amount of materials needed to complete this project.

Please clearly mark the area to be applied with orange colored flags (minimum of 3 foot high) placed two (2) feet from the edge of the road. In areas where many houses are close together, you will be contacted to verify which flags belong to your house. If there aren't any visible orange flags to mark an area of application, the dust control mat will center in front of the house and not the driveway. Please contact John Johnston for any questions concerning dust control issues.

Every attempt will be made not to disturb the sealed roads during the current dry season. Residents must be aware that it may become necessary to grade, drag, or otherwise maintain the roads. The sealer may be disturbed **INCLUDING THE DUST CONTROL THAT THE RESIDENT PURCHASED.**

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### **EXTRA DUST CONTROL ORDER FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Linear Feet Of Extra Dust Control Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$1.45 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total

Mail this form with check to:

Porter Township Dust Control  
12826 McKay St.  
Sunbury, Ohio 43074

**Deadline is May 12, 2010! --- No Extra Dust Control will be applied unless payment in full is received by the deadline.**

## **Zoning Hearing**

Porter Township Zoning Commission presented their amended zoning code to the trustees. The trustees will have a public hearing on May 12, 2010, to receive comments from the residents. Then the trustees will decide to accept, reject, or modify the code.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations on the election of Dan Mirise, and the re-election of Eddy Ambrose to the Porter Township Board of Trustees. Dan served the Township 5 years ending in December 2007. Welcome back Dan. Eddy has served the Township 16 years and looks forward to serving four more years.

Thank You John Johnston

Thank you John Johnston for your dedicated service as Trustee, for 12 years, to the Porter Township Board of Trustees. Also John has served on the Board of Directors for the Porter-Kingston Fire District.

## **High Speed Internet**

We along with Delaware County have applied to Google to install high-speed internet capabilities in our area. At this time, Consolidated Electric is installing a 144 fibre-optic cable on SR 656 through our area, which could be partially used for the internet.

## **Zoning Boards**

### **Are you interested in serving on one of our committees?**

Each year, the Board of Trustees appoints / reappoints 1 member to the Zoning Commission, 1 member to the Board of Zoning Appeals, 2 alternate members to the Board of Zoning Appeals, and alternates, as needed, to the Zoning Commission.

The Zoning Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month. The Board of Zoning Appeals meets only when there is a request for a hearing on rejected zoning applications.

Each board is composed of 5 members that are appointed to a position for a 5-year term.

If you would like to serve the township, and get involved, please contact the township by:

Email trustee1@PorterTwp.org  
Telephone 740-965-3517 or 740-965-6498  
Mail Porter Township Board of Trustees,  
12828 McKay Street, Sunbury, Ohio 43074

## **Internet**

**If you have an internet connection, be sure to check our new website at [www.PorterTwp.org](http://www.PorterTwp.org).**

**If you know of anyone in Porter Township that doesn't receive this newsletter, please notify the township by Email, phone, or mail. Thanks.**

See last page for Emails and phone numbers

**PORTER TOWNSHIP  
12828 McKAY STREET  
SUNBURY, OHIO 43074**

**or current resident**

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**Township Trustees**

Dan Mirise, Chairman  
Robert Ryan, Vice Chairman  
**Eddy Ambrose**

trustee1@PorterTwp.org  
740-625-6554  
740-965-6498  
**740-965-3517**

**Fiscal Officer**

Mark Mazzon 740-936-0295

**Meetings: second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.**

**Zoning Commission**

Marvin Miller, Chairman  
Sue VanSkoy  
Jenny Kavage

zc@PorterTwp.org  
740-965-3940  
740-524-5172  
740-524-8181

Jim Sherman 740-625-6738  
Gerald Crowl 740-524-0470

Meetings: second Thursday of the month at 8:00 p.m.

**Board of Zoning Appeals**

Don Caudy, Chairman  
Allen Blythe, Vice Chairman  
Joseph Scherler

bza@PorterTwp.org  
740-965-3889  
740-965-4854  
740-524-7612

Marcella Kiracofe 740-625-5276  
John Dible 740-965-4938  
Laurie Cellar, Secretary 740-965-2211

Meetings: first Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. as needed - call first

**Zoning Inspector**

Paul Reida

740-965-6830

**Township Website      [www.PorterTwp.org](http://www.PorterTwp.org)**

**Porter Kingston Fire District Emerg.**

Business 911  
740-524-5050  
Email [pkfd@rrohio.com](mailto:pkfd@rrohio.com)  
Web: <http://www.pkfd.org>

**Rumpke Trash**

1-888-rumpke1  
1-888-786-7531  
Email [chris.lavender@rumpke.com](mailto:chris.lavender@rumpke.com)  
Web <http://www.rumpke.com>

**Del Co. Health Dept.**

614-368-1700  
**Poison Control Emerg.** 800-682-7625  
**Hazardous Materials Emerg.** 800-589-4628

**Ohio EPA Emerg.**

800-282-9378  
**Red Cross** 614-362-2021  
**Dog Warden** 614-368-1915