



Huntsburg Township

# Huntsburg News & Views

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## SPRING CLEAN-UP & TIRE RECYCLING DAYS

### TIRE DROP OFF

Tire recycling will be held for Huntsburg Township Residents Only.

Passenger Car Tire Drop-Off Saturday, April 25, 2009 from 8:00 to 11:00 am at the Huntsburg Rec. Park 17085 Mayfield Road.

Grant Funding Provided by Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste District



### SPRING CLEANUP

The Huntsburg Spring Clean Up will be held on Saturday May 2, 2009 starting at 7:00 am and will close at noon. Bring your items to the township garage. No items are to be left after that time.

The following items will not be accepted:

Tires

Lawn Waste

Appliances with Freon all appliances must have Freon removal tags.

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**FEES WILL APPLY!**



Recycling containers are located at the Huntsburg Recreational Park, 17085 Mayfield Road. Acceptable items are posted on the sign near the container.

Please do not leave unwanted items that are not recyclable at the park-recycling site. Lately we have found items that are not acceptable. **DO NOT LEAVE CARDBOARD.**

Help us keep the park clean.

### 2009 One Day Collection Events

The Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste District has scheduled the following collection events.

**Appliance Collection**  
Saturday, April 18 starting at 9:00 am until noon. Free Freon removal. Workers will be available to unload vehicles.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday, April 25 starting at 9:00 am until noon. Waste such as paint, oil, anti-freeze, propane tanks, etc.

Both events located at 12665 Merritt Road, Chardon Ohio.

## TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

Trustees Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the town hall. Residents are encouraged to attend and assist with the governmental process.

Zoning meetings for the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals are held when necessary. Please check local papers for dates and times.

Persons with special needs call 24 hours prior to the meeting 636-5486 x 4.

## Financial & Audit Reports

The Year End Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2009 is available for public inspection. The state auditor's office performed the township's 2-year audit for 2006 & 2007 last fall. A copy of the completed audit is also available for public inspection.

Anyone wishing to review the reports may do so by calling the township office at 636-5486 ext 2 and make an appoint with the Fiscal Officer, Michele A. Saunders.

Visit our website at [www.geaugalink.com/huntsburg](http://www.geaugalink.com/huntsburg) for up to date information, minutes, zoning resolution and important phone numbers.

## ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Erik Mirossay is available by appointment for your zoning permits, exemptions and variances. He may be reached by calling the township offices at 636-5486 ext. 3. Please leave a message and he will return your call. Please be advised zoning permits are required for all your building projects. Some may be exempt from fees but still require you to submit an application.

All agricultural buildings now require an application be completed and exemption issued. The Geauga County Building department requires an exemption form from the township. Please make sure you call the office for information or visit [www.geaugalink.com/huntsburg](http://www.geaugalink.com/huntsburg) for a complete copy of the Zoning Resolution and forms. Agricultural use of your property and use of a building are two different categories. Not all buildings constructed on a piece of property with a county tax use of agricultural are considered agricultural. If your building is used to house vehicles and to make repairs on your vehicles that use is not agricultural.

A new law, O.R.C. 505.87 and O.R.C. 505.87(1), allows township to remove junk vehicles, debris and vegetation once the board of trustees have declared that the property is a nuisance went into effect on March 6, 2009. H.B. 50 amended both the R.C. 505.85 and R.C. 505.87 to allow for the changes.

The zoning inspector will be responsible to notify the board of trustees of junk vehicles on Huntsburg properties all legal requirements will be followed and the property owner will have 14 days to remove the vehicle. The definition of "junk motor vehicle" provides that a junk motor vehicle is (1) three model years old, or older; (2) apparently inoperable; and (3) extensively damaged, included, but not limited to, any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine, transmission.

If you have any such vehicle on your property we urge you to have that vehicle removed or placed in an enclosed accessory building. All operable vehicles must have a valid registration and vehicle tag as well as insurance coverage. If you have a pile of vegetation or debris on your property now is a great time to clean up before further action may be taken by the board of trustees. Occasionally we receive complaints of rubbish blowing on to neighbor's property, unsightly piles of vegetation and junk on properties, all of these complaints are investigated by the zoning inspector.

The following are prohibited in Huntsburg

### 401.0 Prohibited Uses In All Zoning Districts

- A. Any use not specifically listed in this resolution, shall not be permitted, nor shall any zoning certificate be issued. Therefore, unless and until a zoning amendment to provide for such use has been adopted and is in effect in accordance with Article XII or a variance has been granted in accordance with Article XIV.
- B. Signs not in conformity with the sign regulations contained in this resolution shall be prohibited.
- C. Mobile homes shall be prohibited.
- D. Junk vehicles: The storage of junk vehicles, including unlicensed collector's vehicles outside of a fully enclosed building shall be prohibited. However, this regulation shall not restrict a lawfully existing scrap metal processing facility duly licensed by the State of Ohio as referenced in R.C. Section 505.173.
- E. Automotive wrecking yards, junkyards and the storage of junk shall be prohibited.
- F. Dumping, storing, burying, reducing, disposing of or burning garbage, refuse, scrap metal, rubbish, hazardous waste, offal or dead animals shall be prohibited.
- G. Manufacturing or storage of explosives or fireworks shall be prohibited.
- H. Bulk petroleum stations with tanks above ground shall be prohibited.
- I. Distilling of bones, fat or glue, or gelatin manufacturing shall be prohibited.

- J. Other manufacturing, processing or any activity, which produces noxious odors, vibration, smoke, heat, glare, flame, dust, or noisome substances, which would adversely affect the resident's health or safety, shall be prohibited.
- K. New construction or potential obstructions located in such a manner as to shadow an existing solar energy system shall be prohibited.
- L. The manufacture, distribution or sale of drug paraphernalia, as herein defined and drug paraphernalia establishments shall be prohibited.  
  
Drug paraphernalia establishments do not include manufacturers, practitioners, pharmacists, and owners of pharmacies or other persons, who conduct a business or profession in accordance with Chapters 3719, 4715, 4729, 4731, and 4741 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- M. Wind powered devices not equipped with a safety control governor or device, or located such that the distance of its base from adjacent property lines and power lines exceeds its maximum height shall be prohibited.
- N. Manufactured home parks shall be prohibited.
- O. Lighting fixtures and devices from which direct glare is visible on adjoining roads or lots shall be prohibited. Flashing lights shall be prohibited, with the exception of holiday /seasonal lighting.
- P. No use shall be permitted or authorized to be established which, when conducted in compliance with the provisions of this Resolution, and any additional conditions and requirements prescribed, is or may become hazardous, noxious, or offensive due to emission of odor, smoke, fumes, cinders, dust, noise, gas, vibration, electrical interference, refuse matter, water carried wastes or which will interfere with adjacent landowners' enjoyment of the use of their lands.

## Important Phone Numbers & Fees

**For all Emergencies Dial 911**

**Township Offices:**

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| Fiscal Office    | 636-5486 |
| Garage           | 636-5486 |
| Zoning           | 636-5486 |
| Cemetery         | 636-5486 |
| Clark M. Adams   | 635-0018 |
| Nancy J. Kothera | 636-5498 |
| Jerry M Rose     | 636-5145 |
| Michele Saunders | 636-5486 |

**Geauga County**

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Offices     | 285-2222     |
| <b>ODOT</b> | 440-834-4441 |

Below is a partial list of fees for building rentals, cemetery and zoning. Huntsburg residents will pay:

|                                   |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Town Hall</b> rental per floor |         |
| Nov—March                         | \$65.00 |
| April –Oct                        | \$50.00 |
| Kitchen Use                       | \$25.00 |

**Park Pavilions** \$20.00 per day

**Cemetery**

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Grave           | \$150.00 Open/ |
| Close           | \$400.00 Foun- |
| dations/sq. ft. | \$45.00        |

Non residents will pay a higher fee to purchase graves and to rent the town hall.

**Zoning**

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| New Single Family Home | \$100.00 |
| Garage/accessory Bld.  | \$50.00  |
| Alterations            | \$50.00  |
| Driveway Permit        | \$35.00  |
| Zoning Book            | \$15.00  |
| Agricultural Bld       | No Fee   |
| Exemption required     |          |

Zoning Inspector Erik Mirossay is available by appointment.

**License Plates**

Many Huntsburg residents have addresses such as Windsor, Chardon and Middlefield, when renewing your license plate please make sure that Huntsburg Township is listed as your township of residency. A portion of your license plate tax dollars is returned to Huntsburg and is used for road projects.

**Cable**

Rapid Cable sold the franchise to Zito Media to furnish cable services to Huntsburg Township. If you wish to subscribe to standard or digital services contact them at 1-866-755-2948. If you have complaints or have been experiencing trouble with your cable service and have not been able to correct the problems by contacting Zito Media please contact Nancy Saunders, Administrative Assistant at 636-5486 option 4 or put your issues in writing to Huntsburg Township, P.O. Box 280, Huntsburg, OH 44046.



## **Huntsburg Township**

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Huntsburg Ohio 44046-0280

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Email:

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## **SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Grange Open House on Saturday, April 25 from 10:00 until 2:00 in the downstairs of the Huntsburg Town Hall. We will have a basement sale so you can find some bargains. We are serving refreshments in the morning and the Bear's Den Cafe will be open for lunch. Come to learn about the Grange and how to become a member.

Mother's Day Tea- May 9

Plan something special for Mom or yourself! Join us on Saturday, May 9 at 2:00 for our annual Mother's Day Tea, featuring Molly Brown as performed by Carol Starre-Kmiecik. Margaret Brown was famous for surviving the sinking of the Titanic. An informal tea will be served after the performance with a raffle for baskets for Mom. Sponsored by the Women's Fellowship at Huntsburg Congregational Church, 12435 Madison Road, Huntsburg. To reserve your \$15.00 tickets phone 440-636-5517. Please hurry, seating is limited for this special event.

Memorial Day Observance will be held on, Monday, May 25 with the parade forming at 11:15 am behind the elementary school and marching out at 11:30 am. Services will be held in the Huntsburg Memorial Park at the corner of State Routes 322 & 528 immediately after the parade.

**Summer Concert Dates in the Memorial Park**  
**June 20, July 4, July 18, Aug 1 and Aug 15.**



**Pumpkin Festival October 3 & 4, 2009**