

Village of
Glenwillow

Newsletter

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Dear Residents:

After six months of review and negotiations with our neighboring communities, I have made a recommendation to Village Council to enter into a contract with the Village of Oakwood for Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) for our Village beginning on January 1, 2011. This contract is for 15 years and will ensure stability to our community for this essential service. The cost of the contract is \$200,000 for the first year with a 2% cost of living increase annually.



Mayor Mark A. Cegelka

Many residents might remember that the Village was previously served by the Village of Oakwood Fire Department and they are highly qualified to serve Glenwillow residents and businesses. It is in the best interest of the Village to change providers at this time, as Solon's contract offer was more expensive and significantly shorter in duration than the Village of Oakwood's. With this in mind, both Council and I felt that the Village of Oakwood's 15 year contract period would guarantee consistency and security for these emergency services.

The Village of Oakwood Fire and EMS is a full service fire and rescue operation, under the direction of Fire Chief Jim Schade. Fire Chief Schade has been a fire fighter with the Village of Oakwood for over 35 years and 8 years as Chief. In addition to the Chief, the Fire Department has 5 supervisory officers and will carry an average of 60 Fire Fighters/Paramedics. The Fire Department will be staffed with seven fire fighters on all shifts. The Village of Oakwood will be providing emergency Fire and EMS through 911 calls. They will also respond to non-emergency calls through a non-emergency phone number at 440-232-6695. The City of Solon will continue to provide dispatch services for 911 rescue, fire calls and all Police calls.

Council and I believe that this change is in the best interest of both our residential and business community. We appreciate your understanding as we look forward to this transition period. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at all about the new Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS).

From the members of Council and your Mayor, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

MARK A. CEGELKA - MAYOR



MORE ABOUT THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT...

The Village of Oakwood offers a full service 24/7 operation from one station located at 24800 Broadway Avenue, just east of the Richmond/Shepard Road intersection.

Each shift has 7 employees to handle all calls. When more staff is needed, a mutual aid call is given to other area fire departments.

The staff consists of:

- Chief
- Assistant Chief
- Captain
- Lieutenants – 4
- Fire Fighters/Paramedics
(average of 60 part-time)



 The Fire Department also provides fire and EMS to the Village of Walton Hills.

 When available, the staff provides mutual aid with the surrounding communities.

 The Department offers Fire Prevention services, when requested.

 Fire Department staff are trained in Hazardous Materials Responses.

 Selected staff can conduct both above & underground Storage Tank Inspections.

 Staff will also provide Carbon Monoxide Alarm System Checks, both non-emergency and emergency.

 The Department offers CPR and Fire Safety Classes to residents and businesses.

 The Department will also provide Foster Care Home Fire Safety Inspections required by the State for individuals wishing to qualify for this program.

 Home Fire Safety inspections and fire extinguishing training are available upon request.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER MIKE SKVASIK CROSSES THE FINISH LINE



On October 31, 2010, Mike Skvasik, Building Commissioner, ran his first marathon in Washington D.C. as he participated in the 35th Marine Corps Marathon. Mike completed the 26.2 mile marathon in 4 hours and 53 minutes. Mike began training earlier this year in his home town of Independence and his son Mike II, began training by running through the streets and parks of New York City.

Father and son met in Washington D.C. and ran the race together. They stayed together for the entire course – side by side. As Mike stated, “Running the race and finishing was great, but running next to my son is what I am most proud of.” Congratulations to Mike and his son for finishing the course.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY



Your entire family is invited to join us on December 15 at 7:30 PM at Village Hall for our annual Christmas Party. It is a great way to start the holiday season by visiting with your neighbors and friends. The Village will be providing refreshments of holiday festive food and beverages. There will also be a visit from Santa. Parents please bring your cameras to take pictures of your children with Santa. Additional parking is available at the Village Center behind Village Hall.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

The Village of Glenwillow received a \$63,050 grant from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency under the provisions of the Surface Water Improvement Fund and the US EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to install a Green Infrastructure Demonstration Project including bioswales and a riparian buffer along Tinker's Creek.



Stormwater bioswales were installed in the existing parking lot behind Village Hall, within the Village Town Center Park and by the Building Department. These bioswales are designed to reduce grease, oil and sediment flowing into Tinker's Creek and will help with the overall goals of restoring Tinker's Creek. The bioswales will also beautify the Village by the planting of colorful flowers and installing educational signage.

Plantings along the riparian buffer will help shade and partially protect

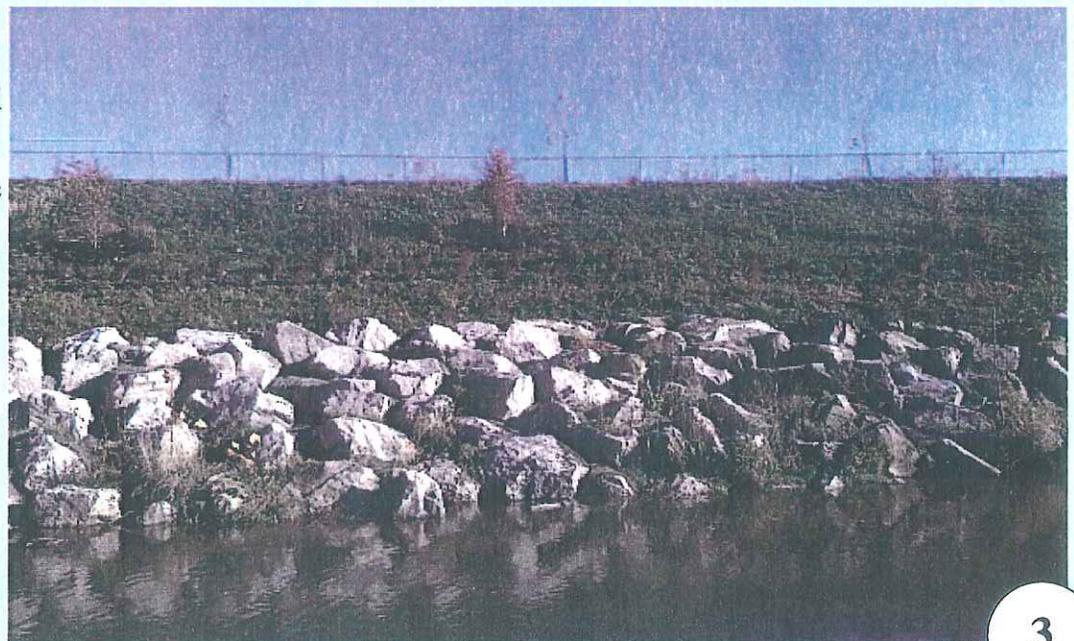
the waterway from impacts of adjacent land uses. It plays a key role in increasing water quality, habitat diversity and reducing erosion.

Tinker's Creek is a large tributary to the Cuyahoga River, which flows into Lake Erie - Glenwillow's drinking water source. Almost two miles of Tinker's Creek lies within the Village of Glenwillow and is the only municipality within the watershed where the entire area drains into the creek.

As part of this program, a volunteer Planting Day was scheduled for October 9th which was used to educate residents, visitors and park users of the importance of clean water for our entire region.

Many residents, Council members and Village staff were on-hand to participate in this demonstration project. Thanks to all those who participated.

An in-depth explanation of this project can be found on the Village's website at: www.glenwillow-oh.gov



WELCOMING OUR NEW BUSINESSES

Join us in welcoming our new businesses to the Glenwillow community. In this economy, it is especially important that we attract new companies to our community. We welcome Superior Beverage Group, Ltd., Winston Products LLC, and Cleveland Steel Container as they join our business family.



SUPERIOR BEVERAGE GROUP, Ltd.

Superior Beverage Group, Ltd. is a family owned business with roots dating back to 1922 when it was started in Youngstown and quickly grew to the Akron, Steubenville and Canton markets.

The company is currently led by Chairman, John M. Antonucci, representing the third generation of leadership. The company is headquartered in Columbus Ohio but distributes alcoholic beverages throughout Ohio. In 2006, Superior Beverage Group entered the greater Cleveland marketplace and quickly outgrew its facility. The company needed to expand its sales and delivery capabilities to service its growing market as it services approximately 10,800 retailers in 33 Ohio counties.

Superior Beverage found a new home in the Diamond Parkway Industrial Park off Pettibone Road, as its first tenant. The new facility opened in October with approximately 200 employees. The company hopes to increase its workforce with between 200 and 400 new employees.



WINSTON PRODUCTS LLC

Winston Products has selected a facility located at 30339 Diamond Parkway in the Diamond Center Complex in a 100,000 square feet facility. They plan to open in December. The company is consolidating facilities from Parma and Cleveland into one facility to increase efficiencies. Mr. Breeden, President of Winston Products, said the company will bring 38 employees to Glenwillow and will operate a multi-tenant office-warehouse building.

Winston Products is best-known for its product "Smart Straps." The product is a boxed rigging system that allows users to quickly release and recoil straps as they tie down or unload equipment from trucks or cars. Major retailers sell the system and associated straps, which are among 200 other products the company distributes.

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Cleveland Steel Container Corporation*

THIS INSERT IS A REPRINT FROM THE SOLON TIMES DATED DECEMBER 8, 2010

Glenwillow goes elsewhere for fire protection

By SUE REID

For the first time since the 1970s, the Village of Glenwillow will not obtain fire service through the Solon Fire Department.

Glenwillow Mayor Mark Cegelka said Tuesday that Village Council approved an ordinance to accept the proposal from Oakwood Village, effective Jan. 1. Oakwood also provides emergency medical service for Glenwillow.

Mr. Cegelka said the change is based upon Solon terminating the current agreement with the Glenwillow in October in order to raise the price.

Solon Mayor Susan A. Drucker said at the time that the agreement must be equitable for both parties.

The city exercising the termination clause "led us to look at other sources, as well as to see what would be best for the Village of Glenwillow," Mr. Cegelka said. Oakwood was offering a 15-year contract with no cancellation clauses, he said. At the most, Solon would offer a five-year contract, he said, and wanted a cancellation clause.

"When we talked about it with our council and looked over the Oakwood proposal, we decided 15 years with no cancellation clause and the service they would provide would be the best for the village," Mr. Cegelka said.

The contract with Oakwood would have a base fee of \$200,000, Mr. Cegelka said, and there is an escalator of 2 percent. Solon's proposal had a base fee plus a per-call fee for emergency medical service and for fire.

"When we looked at our past experience with rescue squad runs and fire calls, and if we had the same experience going forward, we would have been well over \$200,000, plus they had the cancellation clause," Mr. Cegelka said.

Mrs. Drucker said Tuesday that she respects the decision. "It was a phenomenal service Solon was offering to Glenwillow," she said. She's glad she pursued changing the contract, she said. "They were getting a good deal from Solon," she said.

Mrs. Drucker said she could not go beyond five years with a contract. "You don't know where expenses will lead into the future," she said. "I have to make sure we are making fiscally sound decisions for the City of Solon first and foremost."

The latest contract between Glenwillow and Solon had a 5 percent increase each year. It began in 2005, with the village paying Solon \$60,000 annually for fire and emergency medical service. In 2010, that amount was \$76,272 for the services.

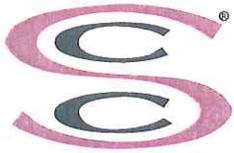
Mr. Cegelka said his village was happy with the service Solon provided. "They provided a great service to us, and we look forward to Oakwood providing the same great service they did in the past," he said. "We were with Oakwood before Solon, and we were happy with their service."

Prior to the 2005 contract, which basically gave Solon an exclusive contract with the village, Solon provided the fire service, and Oakwood Village provided emergency medical service. That was part of an enterprise-zone agreement between the two communities, which had been in existence since at least the 1970s.

"We enjoyed serving the residents of Glenwillow," Solon Fire Chief William J. Shaw said. "We gave them a high level of service and we wish them well in their future."

Mr. Shaw said the change does not have a huge effect on Solon, as the city's responses to Glenwillow represented about 3.5 percent of the total calls in 2009.

CLEVELAND STEEL CONTAINER CORPORATION



Cleveland Steel Container Corporation will be relocating in the Emerald Valley Industrial Park off Cochran Road. They are a manufacturer of steel pails and a distributor of containers and industrial supplies. The Company sells its products throughout North America to both large Fortune 500 companies as well as small, family-owned businesses. Cleveland Steel Container was founded in 1964 by its current Chairman and CEO Christopher I. Page.

The Company will be employing approximately 60 persons in this facility and will maintain a Technical Center in Streetsboro, Ohio to develop new product, design and build advanced pail making technology, and support ongoing operations at the Company's manufacturing facilities.

DOTS – NAMED A NORTHCOAST99

"BEST PLACES TO WORK"

Dots, one of Glenwillow's new business partners' was named one of Northeast Ohio's top workplaces for 2010.

NorthCoast99 is an annual recognition program that honors great workplaces for top talent in Northeast Ohio. The program examines fundamental workplace policies and practices in the areas of staffing, development, training, compensation, organizational culture, and innovation together with success and performance.

Dots is a fashion apparel store that offers fashion trends at exceptional prices, while providing the latest runway trends interpreted for everyday. Dots' growth and success was founded on a passion for retail that stems from a belief that it doesn't cost a lot to look great! Today, the company is a vibrant, growing retailer with more than 400 stores within a 26 state radius. Visit Dots online at www.dots.com.

The Village offers congratulations to DOTS!

*Happy Holidays and
Best Wishes for the New Year
from*

Mayor Mark Cegelka

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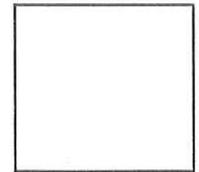
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Meeting Dates

Council Meeting

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7:30pm

Architectural Review Board

2nd Wednesday at 6:30pm

Planning Commission

2nd Wednesday at 7:30pm

For current information on meetings:

Visit our website at:

www.glenwillow-oh.gov

Activities for the Months of December, January & February

- December 15, 2010 – Council Meeting & Village Christmas Party
- December 24, 2010 – Village Hall Closed
- January 3, 2011 – Village Hall Closed
- January 5 & 19, 2011 – Council Meetings
- January 17, 2011 – Village Hall Closed - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 21, 2011 – Village Hall Closed - Presidents' Day

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