

HIRAM COMMUNICATOR

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PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

August 2nd the Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing to review and discuss site plans for the Bancroft Street (Old School) park. Following public comments the Commission approved the site plan.

HIRAM FIRE/EMS & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

The Village Council has approved a one year contract with the City of Aurora to provide **dispatch services** for Hiram Fire/EMS and Police. The contract will begin November 2016.

A FOND FAREWELL



Tuesday August 9th the Mayor, Village Council, and members of the Hiram Police and Fire Departments bid retiring Police Chief Ed Samec a fond farewell. Well-wishers helped the Chief celebrate entering the next chapter of his life with

cake, coffee, and the presentation of an engraved Captain's Clock. A Proclamation declaring September 2016 as Edward F. Samec, Jr. month was presented by the Mayor.



Chief Samec has given a combined 25 years of service to the communities of Hiram, Middlefield and Aurora. His devotion to co-workers, community and his profession has been an inspiration to all that have worked with him. His commitment to community service will continue as Township Trustee for Paris Township. Their gain is definitely our loss.

HIRAM VILLAGE RECREATION & PARKS

The Park Board would like to thank all those who came out on Saturday July 23rd to make the community garage sale a huge success! All proceeds raised will go toward supporting the Park Board's efforts and help with matching the public grant funds received to date.

On August 2, 2016 the Planning & Zoning Commission approved the Park Board's site plan for the Bancroft Street (Old School) park. If anyone has any questions or would like to view the site plan, copies are available at the Rosser Municipal Building or feel

free to contact Park Board member Chris Szell at 330-357-7634 or via email at park.board2.hvoh@gmail.com

STEPPING UP TO PREVENT FALLS

Beginning September 1st through October 20th, the Portage County Falls Prevention Coalition and the Hiram Police Department will be sponsoring the "A Matter of Balance" program. This weekly program will emphasize



practical strategies to manage falls including reducing fall risks at home and using exercise to increase strength and balance. Join us **Thursdays 1-3:00pm** in the Village Council chambers at the Rosser Municipal Building 11617 Garfield Road. This program is open to anyone interested in preventing and managing falls. **Please RSVP to Crystal Shanley at 330-877-2495.**

LEVY RENEWAL – NOT A NEW TAX

This coming November, Village residents will be asked to renew a 4.4 mil levy for current expenses of the Village.

This levy was first presented to the residents in November of 2005 and was renewed in 2010.



RENEWING THIS LEVY WILL NOT INCREASE PROPERTY TAXES. It is essential that this 4.4 mil levy for five years be renewed this November to help continue to keep pace with the upkeep, repairs and equipment replacement to operate the Village of Hiram.

MANTALINE'S GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

Mantaine Corporation is pleased to invite the community to the grand opening of their Hiram Village location. Mantaine has purchased and renovated the former WinPro building at 6969 Constance Avenue. (Accessible off Winrock Drive) A **GRAND OPENING RECEPTION** will be held Wednesday, August 17th, 4-7pm.

SCHEDULE FOR 2016 BRUSH AND LEAF PICK-UP

Brush pick-up for 2016 will be the last **Friday** in August and September. The amount of brush should be no more than two men can load in 15 minutes. Tree branches and brush should be no longer than 8 foot. Leaves and small twigs must be bagged in bio-degradable bags, and sealed with a bio-degradable tape or twine. Please, place your brush and leaf bags far enough from the curb to avoid road traffic.

Curbside leaf pick-up will begin October 3rd and continue as needed until snow fall amounts prohibit pick up. Remember to rake your leaves to the curb, not into the street, and please do not mix twigs or branches with your leaves.