

# HIRAM COMMUNICATOR

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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning & Zoning Commission met December 6, 2022 to discuss possible changes to the Village zoning code. The next meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2023.

## HIRAM VILLAGE MEETINGS

The Hiram Village Council invites the public to attend meetings held by Council, Finance Committee, Planning & Zoning Commission, Park Board, Beautification Committee and Economic Development Committee. Meeting dates and times can be found on the Village website [hiramvillage.org](http://hiramvillage.org) and listed on the back of the Communicator. Pending legislation is now posted on the Village website prior to a Council meeting.

The Hiram Village Park Board, the Beautification and Economic Development committees are looking for volunteers or anyone interested in serving on a committee. If you are interested please contact Mayor Lou Bertrand at [mayor32.hvoh@gmail.com](mailto:mayor32.hvoh@gmail.com).

## FROM THE HIRAM POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Hiram Police Department is now accepting requests from the residents of the Village of Hiram to perform welfare checks by making contact with Village residents during emergency situations that may arise, such as extreme heat, cold, natural disasters or power outages.

If you would like the police to perform a welfare check on you or another family member in Hiram Village during these emergencies please fill out an emergency welfare check form at the Rosser Municipal Building.

The Hiram Police Department will not enter locked or un-locked premises unless exigent/emergency circumstances arise during the welfare check.

Any information given is strictly confidential.

## A SURPRISE VISIT FROM SANTA

Santa payed the Shop with a Cop brunch a surprise visit on December 3rd. The Hiram and Garrettsville Police Departments' Shop with a Cop program hosted approximately 20 children and their parents/guardians to a morning of Christmas shopping at the Streetsboro Target Store on Saturday, December 3rd. Santa, who had been visiting kids and parents at the Hiram Christian Church that morning, decided to stroll over to the Hiram

Fire Department to check out the festivities there. He was greeted by kids, parents and Police Officers enjoying a holiday brunch.

During Santa's visit, kids young and old had the opportunity to whisper their Christmas wish in Santa's ear and have their photo taken with the jolly old elf.

Each year qualifying families are selected by the J.A. Garfield and Crestwood school systems to participate in the Shop with a Cop program which is funded by grants and public monetary donations. If you would like to donate to the Shop with a Cop program please contact the Hiram or Garrettsville Police Departments. Donations can also be dropped off at Hiram's Rosser Municipal Building located at 11617 Garfield Road year round.

## FROM THE HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

*The Hiram Fire Department wants to wish you and your family a Safe and Happy Holiday Season,* and offers the following suggestions to keep your holiday safe:



- \*When purchasing a live tree look for signs of freshness. A fresh tree is green. Needles will be hard to pull from branches when bent between your fingers. Fresh needles don't break if bounced on the ground, and a minimum number of needles should fall off.
- \*To keep your tree fresh, cut off about two inches of the trunk to expose fresh wood for better absorption of water, keep stored outside the house till you're ready to decorate and keep the stand filled with water.

- \* When placing your tree, make sure it is kept away from sources of heat, like fire places or heat vents, and out of the way of traffic, \* Check out your lights before placing them on the tree. Look for worn or frayed wires and broken bulbs. Make sure you do not overload extension cords. \* Take care when using candles. Keep them away from flammable decorations. Place them where they cannot be knocked over or reached by children. Do not leave lit candles in an unattended room. \* Make sure your smoke detectors are working properly. If you'll be traveling to visit family and not sure if they have smoke detectors, take one with you.

## FROM THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Now that winter is here and snow has begun to fall, clearing that snow from Village streets will be a priority. Any snow build-up along the edges of the streets will be moved back into the right-of-way, as time permits that build-up will be moved to another location. Any damage done to the right-of-way areas will be repaired.

**Please be advised that per Village of Hiram Codified Ordinance §901.01 winter sidewalk cleaning and salting is the responsibility of the property owner.** The Street Department's primary concern is the plowing of our streets. Questions can be directed to the Village Administrator, James McGee, at [va.hvoh@gmail.com](mailto:va.hvoh@gmail.com).



## HOLIDAY CALENDAR

The Hiram Village offices will be closed on the following dates:  
Christmas Holiday - December 23<sup>rd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>  
New Year's Holiday - January 2, 2023