

A Five Year Business Plan for Boardman Township's Local Government Services

## Fall 2016



Boardman Township 8299 Market Street Boardman OH 44512 Please visit: www.Boardmantwp.com 330-726-4177

## - A Message from the Elected Officials

#### Boardman 2021

This is the second 5-year business plan developed by the elected officials to communicate the priorities and objectives of the Township. The **Boardman 2021** plan will provide not only the vision but mission of the Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer for the next five years. **Boardman 2016** provided a format and the ground work for the next step in the Township's business planning model. With input from the Administrator and Department Heads, the elected officials set the stage for another 5-year community service plan establishing the priorities for each of the Township's service departments.

The driving force for the 2021 plan over the next 5 years will have the Township take a hard look at capital and infrastructure needs and improving customer service. The Township provides community services in the form of police and fire protection, road maintenance, and business and residential zoning guidelines. The Elected Officials want like to maintain our standard of excellence by ensuring equipment, infrastructure and staffing levels are maintained or improved upon over the next 5 years. To accomplish this task, it will take transparency, discussion, and community support as the **Boardman 2021** plan provides the foundation for moving forward.

#### **Importance of Community Communication**

All of Elected Officials would like to continue to provide clear and open communication with the community. This plan sets the tone for that communication and through partnerships with the Boardman Schools and Boardman Park District we have developed several ways to improve communications. Community Channel 19, The Boardman Reporter and the "Boardman Township, Ohio" Facebook page, are a few examples in how the Elected Officials will help keep the residents informed.

#### The Valley's Destination

Boardman Township is a premier community in Mahoning County. With the "Excellently" rated Boardman School system, beautiful parks, diverse businesses, dining, and shopping opportunities, growing health care sector, and its short distance to major metropolitan areas, Boardman IS the Valley's Destination!

#### Why We Believe in the Township Form of Government

Our stability as a Township also comes from the inherent strengths of the Township Form of Government in which we strongly believe. Being the government "closest to the people" allows us to foster meaningful relationships with our residents and provides us the flexibility to adapt to and welcome our bright future.

Elected Officials: (from Left to Right) Thomas P. Costello Trustees Larry Moliterno Trustees Brad Calhoun Trustees William D. Leicht Fiscal Officer



## **Goals and Objectives:**

As Elected Officials, it is crucial that we develop the "footprint" for Boardman Township. With the Administrative Staff consisting of the Township Administrator, Deputy Administrator, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Road Superintendent, Zoning Inspector and Assistant to the Fiscal Officer, the Elected Officials have developed a set of guiding principles and departmental priorities.

### **Boardman Township Elective Officials Guiding Principles**

- 1. Provide effective and efficient services to ensure the safety of the community
- 2. Proactive planning to ensure the long term financial stability of the Township
- 3. Provide quality-of-life programming that differentiates Boardman Township from other communities

### **Departmental Priorities**

### **Administration**

- Develop the plan for township-wide facility maintenance
- Continue to negotiate economically responsible yet fair contracts with the Township's six labor unions
- Evaluate and continue to improve community communication and transparency
- Explore additional regional partnerships with the neighboring communities
- Review capital and infrastructure needs Township-wide

#### Police:

- Develop a Council of Governments to protect and enhance dispatching services
- Continue to enhance Police presence in the local school system
- Review personnel training and planning
- Maintain participation in the State and Federal task forces

### Fire:

- Develop a replacement plan for the Main Fire Station
- Research options to improve ISO rating for the community
- Create a fire vehicle and equipment replacement plan
- Evaluate the chain-of-command to improve effectiveness and efficiency



### Road:

- Evaluate staffing and service level to ensure improved customer service
- Review road repaving and repair plan to maintain the quality of our Township roads looking at alternatives to increase longevity
- Create a program to replace vehicle and equipment needs to ensure proper township response to servicing community needs

### Zoning:

- Continue neighborhood rezoning program to match the zoning of how they were developed, and protecting the integrity of our neighborhoods
- Evaluate staffing to ensure proper customer service response
- Update Township Zoning Ordinance to improve regulations and enhance customer service

### Fiscal:

- Research additional customer service improvements through credit/debt card payment program
- Continue to improve fiscal transparency through improved informational website development
- Maintain a 5-year financial guidance program
- Monitor the reductions in State Funding





"The Township will continue to protect the integrity of our neighborhoods."

-Trustee Tom Costello

## "A Nice Place to Call Home"

- Community Motto

## **Boardman Township Statistics:**

Total Populations 2010 U.S. Census = 40,889 Total Housing Units = 19,594 Occupied housing units = 18,094 Owner-occupied housing units = 12,770 Renter-Occupied housing units = 5,324

29 Years and younger = 18,178 30 Years and older = 22,711

### Number of Businesses in Boardman (est.) = 3,143

## 2016 Businesses in Boardman

Retail Trade = 546 Finance, Insurance And Real Estate =233 Services= 1,142 Construction = 107 Manufacturing = 91 Transportation, Communication and Utility Services = 61 Wholesale Trade = 111 Public Administration = 16 Forestry and Fishing = 31 Mining = 1



"Boardman is the valley's destination" - Trustee Brad Calhoun

## **Township Information**

Miles of Road = 144.06

Lane Miles of Road 288.12

Streets = 500

Cul-de-sacs = 155

Storm water drainage lines =

- 1,111,266 liner feet
- Storm water catch basins = 4,650

Size of the Township = 5 square miles

12th largest Township in Ohio

## 2015 Est. Service Calls

- Police 33,000
- Fire over 3,500
- Road over 1,000
- Zoning Property Maintenance 4,000

### **County Wide Dispatching Initiative:**

The image below was a meeting between Boardman Township, Austintown Township, the County Sheriff's Department, The Mahoning County Commissioners and the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office to begin a Council of Governments in March 2016 to start regionalized Dispatching in Mahoning County.



"Boardman will continue to work collaboratively with local governments." -Trustee Larry Moliterno

## **Township Funding and Budgetary Information:**

Boardman Township can only collect property tax for operations in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code. Below is the current property tax levies for the Township of which there are two types: general fund and restricted service specific funds. Note that any service-specific funding can only be used by the coordinating township department.

Purpose	Millage	Туре	Date of Vote	Tax Year Levy Began	No. of Years	Tax Year Levy Expires	Levy Year	Estimated Collection
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Current expense	-3.20	Renewal	11/05/2013	2013	5	2017	1976	1,190,406
Current expense	0.70	Renewal	11/08/2016	2016	5	2020	1976	260,401
Current expense	3.00	Renewal	11/08/2016	2016	5	2020	1981	1,320,533
Current expense	2.50	Renewal	11/04/2015	2015	5	2019	1995	1,876,071
Police	3.85	Additional	11/02/2015	2016	5	2020	2011	3,552,323
Police & EMS	2.80	Additional	05/03/1988	1988	Cont.	Cont.	1988	1,659,362
Police & Fire	2.20	Additional	11/05/2013	2013	5	2017	2008	2,029,899
Road and Bridge	0.30	Renewal	11/04/2014	2014	5	2018	1976	111,600
			River	1251		- <b>*</b>		
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## **Property Tax Levies**

Total General Fund Levies	9.4
Service Levies	9.15

**Total Levy Mills** 

18.55

"Having the Trustees interested and engaged with the budget process has energized everyone involved.

-Fiscal Officer William D. Leicht



## Property Tax Breakdown on a home valued at \$100,000

Estimated Property Tax Value of a \$100,000 home = \$2,188 An estimate of 19% of that property tax goes to Boardman Township which equals \$415.72 that ends up as a daily cost of \$1.14 for Township Services

### **Townships Employees 2016**

84 Full-Time and 1 Part-Time Police Department Employees

**41 Fire Department Employees** 

24 Road Department Employees

**3 Full-Time and 2 Part-Time Zoning Department Employees** 

1 Full-Time and 2 Part-Time Building Maintenance Employees

**3 Fiscal Department Employees** 

2 Administrative Department Employees

## For More Township Information Please Visit www.Boardmantwp.com

- Meeting Minutes
- Meeting Notices
- Functional Expenses
- Job Announcements
- Zoning Codes
- Home Rule Ordinances
- Permits Fees
- Prescription Drug Drop Off Box

- Reporting Nuisances
- Boardman Outlook Video Updates
- Report a Road Problem
- Fire Department Programs
- Find It in Boardman
- How to Petition for Street Lighting
- Boardman Township Land Bank
- Internet Purchase Exchange Location



## **Township Contact Information**

#### Trustees:

Brad Calhounbcalhoun@boardmantwp.comThomas P. Costellotcostello@boardmantwp.comLarry MoliternoImoliterno@boardmantwp.com

#### **Fiscal Officer:**

William D. Leicht wleicht@boardmantwp.com

### FOR EMERGENCIES Dial: 911

Non-Emergency Police: 330-726-4177

Non-Emergency Fire: 330-726-4155

Road: 330-726-4190

Zoning: 330-726-4181

#### Staff:

To reach the Township Staff below by phone call (330) 726-4150 and use the extension provided:

<u>Title :</u>	Name:	Ext.	Email:	
Township Administrator	Jason Loree	61817	jloree@boardmantwp.com	
Deputy Administrator	Stephanie Landers	61818	slanders@boardmantwp.com	
Police Chief	John "Jack" Nichols	61868	jnichols@boardmantwp.com	
Fire Chief	Mark Pitzer	61702	mpitzer@boardmantwp.com	
Road Superintendent	Marilyn Kenner	61882	mkenner@boardmantwp.com	
Director of Zoning and				
Development	Krista Beniston	61822	kbeniston@boardmantwp.com	
Asst. to the Fiscal Officer	George Platton	61815	gplatton@boardmantwp.com	

#### Address:

Boardman Township Government Center 8299 Market Street Boardman OH, 44512 Main Phone Number: 330-726-4177 Website: www.boardmantownship.com



## **New Township Services**

## **Internet Exchange Location**

The Internet Buyer Exchange Location Sites are located at the Boardman Township Government Center, 8299 Market Street. There are two locations : the main parking lot and inside the building. Both locations are under 24/7 surveillance by the Boardman Police Department. The location inside our Police Department lobby in the Government Center is open during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed holidays)



## **Prescription Drug Drop-Off**

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal at the Boardman Township Police Department located at 8299 Market St. Drugs can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. \***Prescription and over-the-counter medicine disposal only: no syringes or liquids.All medications are incinerated. No need to remove prescription labels**.

\* For after hours disposal, please enter the Police department lobby; use the phone on the wall to speak to dispatcher.

## Social Media Out Reach

Please visit our the Township's Facebook Page at:

https://www.facebook.com/BoardmanTWP/

Please visit our YouTube Channel at:

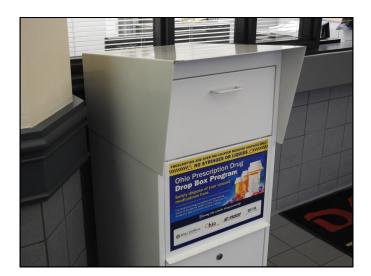
https://www.youtube.com/c/BoardmantwpOhio

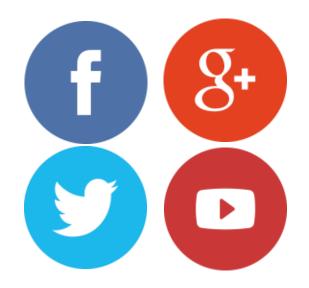
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## **Frequently Ask Questions**

### How to Report an Anonymous Crime/Drug Tip?

Call 330-726-4150 ext. 61837 or mail: Attn. Mike Hughes Police Department Boardman Township 8299 Market Street Boardman OH 44512

### How to Report an Anonymous Zoning Compliant:?

Call 330-726-4181 or Mail: Zoning Department Boardman Township, 8299 Market Street Boardman OH 44512

### How to Report a Road Complaint:?

Call 330-726-4190 or Online at:

www.boardmantwp.com/roads/report-a-problem/

### How do I get a permit for a fence/shed/pool?

Contact the Zoning Department at 330-726-4181 and make sure you have: the size, location, and distance from all property lines.

### **Does the Township perform civilian fingerprints for employment?**

Yes. To make an appointment, contact Crime Analyst Brenda Emch at 330-729-2013. The cost for fingerprinting is \$32 for BCI, \$34 for FBI and \$66 for both BCI & FBI.

## We'll Keep in Touch Every Day AND Make Sure You're OK

\* Every day you specify



### Peace of Mind for You and Your Loved Ones

Boardman Township is now offering the CARE CALL PROGRAM to Boardman residents — in particular, the elderly or disabled. The program is operated by the Boardman Police and Fire Departments.

CARE CALL is a free and easy way for you to enjoy the peace of mind of knowing that your loved ones are well and have not fallen victim to an accident or illness in their home that has rendered them unable to seek help.

Once a Boardman resident is successfully enrolled in the program, he or she will receive an automated phone call at their residence on days and times they specify.

- A recorded message will ask if everything is OK. If it is, the enrollee simply punches a code number in, and the call ends.
- If he or she does not answer the CARE CALL, a process begins to ensure that there is nothing wrong. After a second unsuccessful call, a designated Emergency Contact (one or more relatives or friends) that has been specified is contacted and asked to check on the person who has been called.
- If an Emergency Contact can't be reached or is unable to respond, Boardman Police or Fire Department personnel will be dispatched to the enrollee's home. If one or more "Key Holders" has been designated, responders will try to obtain a key from them to gain entry.
- If they cannot obtain a key, Police or Fire Department personnel may enter the home forcibly to check on the resident.
- A Fire Department First Responder will be summoned if the resident is in need of medical assistance.

Information materials paid for with funds seized from criminal activities.

Program of Boardman Township

- Fill out the sign-up form. You will be able to specify the days and times a CARE CALL will be made.
- On the form, one or two Emergency Contacts/Key Holders may be specified. These are the individuals who will be contacted if CARE CALL gets no response when they call the enrollee.
- Submit the form to the Boardman Police Department...by fax: 330-726-4170; by mail: 8299 Market St., Boardman 44512; or in person.



Once the form has been received, it will be kept on file and used to set up regular CARE CALLs to the enrollee's residence.



*A CARE CALL form may be filled out by the enrollee, or by a relative on his or her behalf.* For more information about the CARE CALL program, visit www.boardmantwp.com/carecall or call (330) 729-2014.

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#### **Boardman Township Elected Officials**

(left to right) Larry Moliterno - Trustee • Tom Costello - Trustee Brad Calhoun - Trustee • William D. Leicht - Fiscal Officer

