

MY MONCLOVA TOWNSHIP MONITOR

SERVICES OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 5, 11 AM-2 PM

FIRE STATION, 4395 ALBON ROAD

Our Services Open House will give you an opportunity to check out the Fire Department apparatus, receive your flu shot, and feed the goats!

Nature's Nursesry will be visiting and bringing a friend from their rescue operations. This orgainzatin is housed on Dutch Road and are a great resource for the Monclova community.

Lucas County Auditor Katie Moline's staff will be available to answer property valuation questions. New valuations will be coming out just prior to this event.

Lucas County Health Department will be providing flu and COVID vaccinations. Bring your insurance card.

Let's not forget – Food trucks, Lucas Soil and Water Conservation District, The Ohio University Extension Office (they have master gardeners!), Monclova Community Center, Neighborhood Bridges, and more. Administrator Grim and staff will be on hand to answer questions about township services and hand out candy to the kiddos (and adults)!

Trustees Hoecherl, Vicary, and Lang will be available to meet with constituents and answer any questions.



Trustees (l-r) Chuck Hoecherl, Barbara Lang, and Trudy Vicary at Yarder Manufacturing groundbreaking.

ELECTION DAY: EMBRACING PROGRESS THROUGH LIMITED HOME RULE

This November, Monclova Township residents have a pivotal decision to make at the ballot box; whether to adopt the Limited Home Rule (LHR) form of government. Ohio Townships across the state have implemented LHR to provide the decision-making autonomy that ensures the protections and benefits that our community lacks, such as control over local zoning matters.

Understanding Limited Home Rule

Ohio townships only possess those powers expressly delegated to them by statute. However, the Ohio Revised Code allows certain townships to adopt limited home rule, providing them with more autonomy. Adopting LHR would provide more resources in our governance toolkit, like those available to municipalities, but not as extensive.

Enhanced Local Authority

Empowering LHR townships will more effectively address issues like noise, nuisances, and *(cont. pg 3)*

MY MONCLOVA APP



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MOBILE APP, SHOW US AT THE
OPEN HOUSE, AND
BE ENTERED IN A RAFFLE!

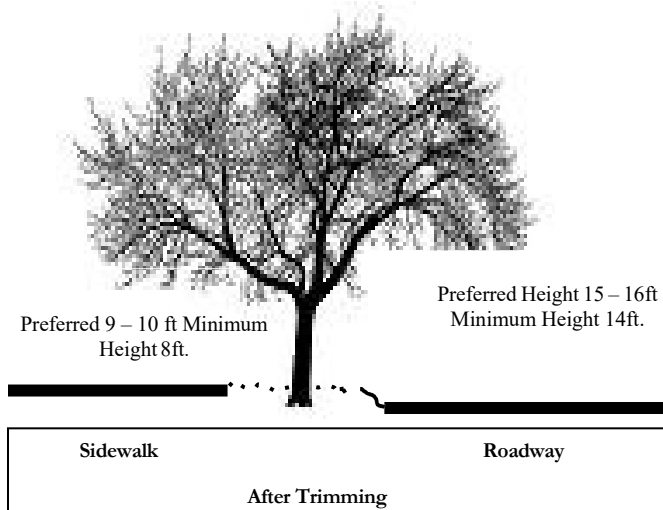
PLUS, YOU NOW HAVE ACCESS
TO STAFF, COMMUNICATING
CONCERNS, AND MORE!

TREE TRIMMING

Tree limbs in your area may be hanging over the roadway striking school buses, refuse trucks, postal service vehicles, large passenger vehicles, snowplow trucks, and emergency services equipment. To maintain roadway safety, it is necessary to occasionally trim trees extending vertically beyond the edge of the pavement. Weather permitting, this work will commence for identified township roadways and subdivision in fall and extends through the winter months.

Monclova Township Maintenance Department crews will be trimming trees to conform to road right-of-way specifications only. If you desire a more aesthetic appearance, you may trim your own trees or contract with a tree trimming service. If you elect to trim your own trees or utilize the services of a professional, you can direct questions about height specifications to our Road Superintendent.

Please use the My Monclova mobile app for inquiries.



SETTING TOTERS AT CURBSIDE

To assist in the automated collection of the trash and recycling toters, please follow these recommendations:

- The wheels of the trash & recycling toter should be facing the house. The metal bar is facing the street, parallel with the street pavement. Placing the bins in this way will limit the risk of the lids being ripped off and all waste or recyclable materials are emptied when they are lifted by the arm.
- Allow clearance of 3 feet from mailboxes poles, light pole, vehicles, other toter if possible.

LIGHTS ON

Street light repairs are under the jurisdiction of Toledo Edison/First Energy. To report an outage or device malfunction you can go to their website at firstenergy.com and search for 'streetlight problem' or go to the township's website, monclovatwp.org, where we have Edison's link under Community Resources.

FALL LEAF COLLECTION

The Township offers curbside service leaf collection to all curbed and uncurbed public streets - be they township, county, or state roads. This is a no-fee amenity which begins mid-October and stops when leaves are collected or winter conditions are imminent.

New this year: We will be relying on our mobile app to announce the roads/subdivisions we are heading towards. Download the mobile app My Monclova to receive advance notice of collection.

Free seasonal drop-off service is available to township residents at Ohio Compost, 10839 Sager Road. Call 419-897-7807 for hours of operation or go to ohiocompost.com.

CURBSIDE SERVICE GUIDELINES:

- Crews perform a complete sweep of the township and continue to do so throughout the season. Each pass can take up to 2 weeks. There is no need to call the township and alert us about your leaves unless you have been waiting for more than 3 weeks for service.
- We will NOT collect leaves that contain sticks, large grass debris, non-leaf substances (deadheading, brush), or leaves that are bagged.
- The burning of leaves is a violation of Fire Code and could subject violators to a fine.



MORE RESOURCES THAN EVER!

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LIMITED HOME RULE *(cont. from page 1)*

animal control. Imagine a community where noise disturbances are minimized, and leash laws ensure the safety of both pets and residents. These are just a few examples of how LHR can enhance our daily lives.

33 Ohio townships have adopted the LHR form of government. These communities have significantly benefitted from having more localized control and tailored regulations, which has led to an improved quality of life for their residents.

Sylvania Township and Perrysburg Township are neighbors that have had Limited Home Rule in place for years. Sylvania Township Administrator Oliver Turner commented on LHR, saying, *“Limited Home Rule status provides additional tools for Townships to respond to citizen concerns involving property maintenance, noise, and transient vendors, among other issues. These tools can be used to improve the daily quality of life for citizens and stakeholders.”*

What Does All This Mean?

If passed, Limited Home Rule in Monclova Township would empower local government to handle nuisances such as tall grass; or the ability to address zoning issues more effectively and regulate parking and traffic. The Township would *not* have the authority to propose income taxes, alter government structure, or enact laws conflicting with state regulations.



1. This initiative aims to enhance the township's responsiveness while maintaining transparency and protecting against unauthorized tax increases, which will still require voter approval.
2. We will also address local issues in a swift manner, making governance more efficient.
3. Through our efforts, we will improve public participation and increase engagement that will lead to better representation and an enhanced quality of life.

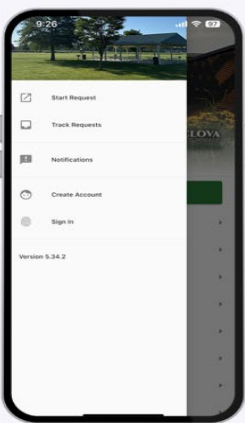
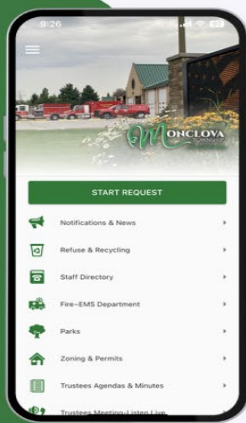

For more information about Limited Home Rule go to monclovatwp.org. Together, let's make Monclova Township an even better place to live, work, and thrive.

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- Access Information
- Submit Service Requests
- Receive Notifications
- And more...

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INTRODUCING T91

Welcome Truck 91, a 107' aerial ladder truck. MTFD firefighters completed tool and equipment mounting in July and August. Staff readied themselves with driver and operator training to prepare for service. As of August 23, T91 and its operators are ready to respond!

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Monclova Township Fire Department has responded to 1,174 calls as of July 31st; down 88 calls from the same period last year. Improvements in driver attention, road improvements, and safety can be attributed to the slight decline. Chief Homik reports that 886 of those calls have been EMS calls.

MTFD's Fire Prevention Bureau conducts programs with our local schools and citizens groups; inspects township businesses, in-home daycare providers, daycare centers; and foster and group homes within the township. Current outreach for FPB as of July 31st includes 222 inspection/plan reviews; 28 permits issued; 15 community education programs; 15 residential Knox Box installations; and 204 home smoke detector checks/installs.

Stay safe out there, Monclova! We're here for you if you need us.

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Administration Offices
4335 Albon Road
Monclova OH 43542

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 5 – SERVICES OPEN HOUSE!

DIRECTORY

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Administration Offices - 419-865-7862
General Inquiries, ext. 2010

Administrator
Harold Grim, 419-865-9662

Elected Officials - 419-865-7862
Trustee Chuck Hoecherl, ext. 2030
Trustee Trudy Vicary, ext. 2025
Trustee Barbara Lang, ext. 2020
Fiscal Officer Gavin Pike, ext. 2013

Elected Officials' Email: First name initial, last name, then @monclovatwp.org

Fire/Rescue - 9-1-1 Business Calls 419-865-9423
Chief Matt Homik, ext. 2027
Assistant Chief Tom Yunker, ext. 2012
Fire Prevention Capt. Scott Bockelman, ext. 2017

Road Maintenance Department
Superintendent Doug Holland, 419-878-6942



Did You Know?

- Yes, Ohio still has **Daylight Saving Time**. Set your clocks back one hour on November 3.
- **Keener and Community Parks close at 10 PM.** Illuminated courts for pickle ball and tennis are available to users, but you **MUST** leave by 10 PM to offer courtesy to the neighbors.
- **Recycling: Empty, Clean, & Dry!** Smell that? It is your recycling toter expressing its disdain for the 'not quite empty' milk jug that is creating a curdled science project inside your toter. A smelly example of liquid residue that can leach on to other items, such as paper. One poorly recycled milk jug can contaminate and make other items unrecyclable. Remember to empty, clean, and dry! Source: republicservices.com