# NEWTOWN NEWS

SPRING 2024

## **Newtown Fill Closing**

Newtown Fill has begun capping the landfill and will continue the process while accepting loads of construction and demolition debris for disposal. There is no hard-and-fast timeline for completion, but it is anticipated that capping will take in excess of 12 months. The capping work schedule is at the operator's discretion. Recycling operations have ceased and the recycling equipment is awaiting removal. A capped landfill is pictured below.

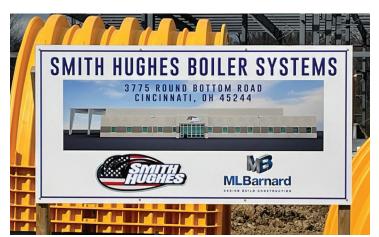


#### **SUMMERFEST**

Plans are being made for a Summerfest event in the Village on June 15 similar to Winterfest. Those who would like to help sponsor the event or assist in the planning and preparation of Summerfest should contact **Tracy Boone** at **tboone@newtownohio.gov**.

## **Economic Development**

Smith Hughes is constructing a new building on Round Bottom Road just down the road from its current location. Smith Hughes has been an industry leader since 1946 in the process steam and hot water boiler market, providing boiler related products, boiler rentals, and services to all types of businesses from dry-cleaners to large production and utility plants. We are fortunate to have such a business in Newtown.



New townhomes are coming to the 6700 block of Main Street. The proposed townhomes are pictured below and were expanded from four to six. Construction is projected to begin this spring.



There is no update regarding Sunset Property Solutions, a residential developer, who has proposed a multi-family development on the east side of Church Street between Main Street and Jefferson Street. No plans have been formally presented to the Village. Residents will be kept informed of any proposed project.

#### **Metro Bus Service**

The Village contacted the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority ("SORTA") about providing Metro bus service to Newtown. SORTA provided a survey for potential riders to fill out to gauge the viability of providing bus service to Newtown. Individuals interested in bus service are encouraged to complete the survey, which can be found at <a href="https://newtownohio.gov/uncategorized/metro-commuter-survey/">https://newtownohio.gov/uncategorized/metro-commuter-survey/</a>.

# **Street Study**

The Village Engineer completed a pavement condition rating report covering all village streets. The report is on the Village website and residents can review the condition of streets and see the current cost to repave the streets and the funding sources available. Little Dry Run has the lowest pavement condition rating. An application was made to the Municipal Road Fund (MRF) Program for funding and the Village is awaiting a decision on its application. The MRF Program is generated from the sale of license plates/tags within the corporate limits of municipalities within Hamilton County. The Village also will likely apply for funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission. If funding becomes available, repaving of Little Dry Run would likely occur in 2025.

#### **Air Quality**

If a citizen has a complaint regarding air quality, the Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency ("SWOAQA"), a local air Agency for Ohio EPA, has a complaint form at its website or you can call 513-946-777 to register a complaint. The Complaint form can be found at <a href="http://www.southwestohioair.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=6462995&pageId=6595458">http://www.southwestohioair.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=6462995&pageId=6595458</a>.

#### **Safety Services**



Police: Officer Jake Stoll, who worked for the Village as a police officer for 14 years prior to his resignation in December 2022, returned to the Village in December 2023 and was rehired as a police officer. The Village is fortunate to have Officer Stoll back. The Village also added a patrol officer position, bringing

the total number of police officers up to nine.

**Fire:** Residents of the Village can have their smoke alarms checked by the fire department. In addition, fire suppression staff can arrange for the replacement of outdated and non-operational alarms. The fire department is happy to offer a wide variety of services from CPR and First Aid Classes to infant car seat inspections. If you need your blood pressure checked, stop by the fire station on Main Street. Please contact Assistant Chief Herrlinger at 513-688-8070 or rherrlinger@andersontownshipoh.gov for more information or to request information about other programs.

#### **Maintenance**

The Village purchased a MowerMax to clear vegetation in the right-of-ways and in our parks, such as around the 1.4 mile walking trail at Lake Barber. The MowerMax is pictured below.



The Maintenance Department patrols the Village daily for litter and other maintenance issues. If you see issues which need attention, you can email the Village Maintenance Supervisor **Chuck Morgan** at **cmorgan@newtownohio.gov.** or call him at 513.271.2009.

#### **Storm Water Repairs**

The Village received two storm water grants from the Hamilton County ARPA Stormwater Infrastructure Grant Program totaling \$364,900. The Village will put additional funds towards these projects, which are to repair the McCullough's Run storm water system and to repair the drywell at Round Bottom Road and SR 32. These projects are pictured below. These are your American Rescue Plan Act dollars at work at the local level.





The Fish Fry at Newtown's Fire House Station 22 runs every Friday through lent from 5:00 p.m.to 7:00 p.m. The Newtown Civic League appreciates the assistance from the Anderson Township Firefighters, who help make it a success each year. The Newtown Civic League puts on several other events each year and people interested in volunteering to assist the Newtown Civic League can contact **Chuck Short** at **chuck@buckeyefinancial.com**.

#### **Business Spotlight - NVT**



Newtown Village Tavern, once known as Miami Tavern and Murph's Place has been a local tavern and pizzeria for the past 21 years. Newtown Village Tavern changed hands two years ago and is currently owned and operated by Colin & Ali Kirkwood. Colin and Ali grew up in Anderson Township and are raising their three children Elle (11), Tillie (6), and Beau (3) in the same community that helped raise them. As they have made NVT "their own," they have remained focused on being a local favorite with a comfortable family atmosphere. Being a part of



the community is a top priority for them -- whether it was helping resurrect Newtown's Winterfest, partnering with local schools, 5k races, youth sports sponsorships, or the working relationship with Inner Parish Ministry.

Over the last two years they have expanded NVT's hours and days of operation. NVT is now open 7 days a week and offers dine-in, takeout and delivery. Most recently, NVT has started serving lunch for dine in and carryout on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays starting at 11am. NVT offers catering to local businesses and schools as well.

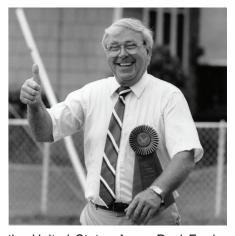
With Springtime approaching, don't forget that NVT has a wonderful patio! They look forward to serving you soon.

NVTPIZZA.COM | NVTPIZZA@GMAIL.COM | 513-272-1213

#### **Proclamation Honoring Paul Frede**

Visitation is on March 2, 2024 between 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at T.P. White & Sons Funeral Home. A memorial service will then be held at 3:30 p.m. at Flag Spring Cemetery.

#### PROCLAMATION HONORING PAUL FREDE



WHEREAS, Paul Frede was born on October 25, 1934 and grew up in Cincinnati, Ohio, attending Purcell High School and the Central Vocational School of Automotives; and

WHEREAS, in 1965, after bravely serving his country in

the United States Army, Paul Frede opened his business in Newtown, which later became the Village Auto Service located at the corner of Main Street and Round Bottom Road; and

WHEREAS, Paul Frede selflessly dedicated his time and talent as public official for the Village of Newtown, graciously accepting an appointment to serve on the Newtown Village Council from 1985-1988 and serving as the elected Mayor of the Village from 1989-1996; and

WHEREAS, Paul Frede was a visionary who cared deeply about improving the Village of Newtown and, as Mayor, he oversaw some of the most impactful projects in the Village's history, including the development of the Ivy Hills Country

Club community, the improvement of Short Park, and the beautification of Main Street; and

WHEREAS, during the years he served as Mayor, while much of the Village's business was conducted at Village Hall, it was not uncommon for Paul Frede to make himself available to residents, employees, and other elected officials at his auto shop, a true testament to his sincere and passionate desire to serve the citizens of Newtown to the best of his ability:

WHEREAS, Paul Frede's steadfast dedication to the Village of Newtown was essential to creating the community that the residents of Newtown enjoy to this day; and

WHEREAS, while his contributions to the Village of Newtown are countless, above all, Paul Frede was a kind-hearted man who took a genuine interest in every person he met; and

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2024, surrounded by his friends and family, Paul Frede passed away at the age of 89. He is survived by his wife, Janice, and his many children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Paul Frede's legacy will have a lasting impact on the Village of Newtown for many years to come and he will be dearly missed by the Newtown community;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark Kobasuk, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of Newtown, do hereby recognize Paul A. Frede for his many contributions and urge all citizens of the Village of Newtown to remember Paul A. Frede and his family on this 2nd day of March, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of March, 2024.

Please provide your email address to Ms. Becky Fairley at bfairley@newtownohio.gov in order to receive future electronic newsletters and for important Village information and updates.

#### **General information contact:**

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#### Maintenance issues contact:

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#### **Newtown Civic League information contact:**

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With best regards, Your Mayor Mark Kobasuk



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