# 2014 Annual Report

#### Message From Mayor Hurst:

It has been an honor to serve as the Mayor of Walton Hills for the past four years. I have worked diligently to provide leadership and make decisions that place Walton Hills and its residents in the best position for success, and I am committed to continuing to do so. In 2014, our Village faced some adversity, and we confronted that adversity and fought to provide the residents of Walton Hills with the best possible outcomes. Looking to 2015, we have put things into place to bolster economic development, increase beautification in the Village and enhance the overall quality of life for both residents and visitors. Our fiscal responsibility has put us in an excellent position for sustained success in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to let me serve you, the residents. I am excited about the direction of our Village, and look forward to continuing to serve in 2015.





## 2014 VILLAGE OFFICIALS



Kevin Hurst
Mayor/Safety Director/
Economic Development Director



**Don Kolograf**Council President Pro Tem



Mary Brenner-Miller



**Denny Linville** 



Paul Rich



Brian Spitznagel



Gloria Terlosky

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## 2014 VILLAGE STAFF



**Dianne Amburn**Payroll/Human Resources - PT



**Bob Apanasewicz** Chief Building Official - PT



Lisa Canzoni Secretary - FT



Karleen Dean Assistant Recreation Director - PT



Katie laconis Mayor's Assistant/ Asst. Fiscal Officer - FT



Rob Kalman Facilities Maintenance/Zoning Inspector - FT



LeeAnne Meda Accounts Payable - PT



Blair Melling Solicitor - PT



Vic Nogalo Fiscal Officer - FT



**Jane C. Nowicki** Administrative Specialist - PT



**Brian Schroeder**Asst. Street Commissioner - FT



**Don Sheehy** Engineer - PT



Carol Stanoszek
Recreation & Community Life
Director - PT



**Dan Stucky** Street Commissioner - FT



**Kenn Thellmann**Police Chief - FT



Nancy Zolgharnain Clerk of Court - PT



PT = part-time, FT = full-time

### WALTON HILLS

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Walton Hills Police Department is comprised of one police chief, one police captain, three road sergeants, one detective sergeant, six full-time patrol officers, five part-time patrol officers and one police dog (K9-Aro) that provide constant coverage to the Village 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The Walton Hills Police Department utilized an animal control service for part of 2014, which was contracted by the Village, but now handles this service internally.

The Walton Hills Communications Center, which provides police and fire dispatching services to Oakwood Village and fire dispatching for the Village of Glenwillow, is staffed with one communications supervisor, three full-time communications officers and ten part-time communications officers. The Communications Center is staffed 24/7/365. The Auxiliary Police Unit assists sworn police officers in their daily duties with house-checks, jail details, funeral escorts, basic patrol and traffic control. There are currently ten auxiliary officers; these officers are non-commissioned. An auxiliary officer is scheduled for duty an average of four-to-eight hours per week, touring our residential and business areas.

The Walton Hills Police Department also runs a Senior Citizen's Police Academy which is funded by donations, although no academies were held in 2014. More than 40 senior citizens completed the nine-week program in the first three academies. The Walton Hills Police Department is also a member of the Cuyahoga County OVI Task Force, in which grant money is dispersed to us for various assignments such as saturation patrols and OVI checkpoints. A Block Watch Program is also in place for residents to meet and report suspicious and criminal activities.

#### Records / Statistics for 2013 vs. 2014

| Call Type:               | 2013   | 2014   |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Total calls for service* | 10,261 | 11,251 |
| Disabled Motorists       | 204    | 204    |
| Auto Lock Outs           | 77     | 73     |
| Business Alarms          | 201    | 272    |
| Residential Alarms       | 72     | 78     |
| Mutual Aid Calls         | 176    | 193    |
| Traffic Accidents        | 80     | 97     |
| Deer Complaints          | 53     | 81     |



\*Includes police initiated calls

## FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

- Fire inspection to all commercial businesses
- Two paramedics and ambulance service located at the Village Hall 24/7
- Decreased our response time by approximately 90 seconds
- Reduced our costs by approximately \$60,000
- No increases in the first 30 months (July 2012-Dec 2014) of a five and a half year contract
- The Village of Walton Hills contracted to dispatch for Oakwood from August 1, 2012 through December 31, 2017

Responded to 429 calls for service

Responded to 348 rescue squad calls

Responded to 38 fire runs

Responded to 35 miscellaneous calls





### LAW DEPARTMENT/ MAYOR'S COURT

The Law Department is responsible for providing general legal counsel to the mayor, council, administrators, Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The solicitor is ultimately responsible for the safety of the residents and others by providing ongoing legal counsel and making sure that lawbreakers are held responsible for their actions.

Mayor Kevin Hurst serves as the Mayor's Court magistrate. The Mayor's Court processes misdemeanor citations issued by the Walton Hills Police Department. These citations can be traffic or criminal offenses.

The Mayor's Court works with Garfield Heights Municipal Court when cases are transferred. The Mayor's Court does not hear juvenile cases. Cases in which the defendant is under 18 years of age are transferred to the Juvenile Court in Cleveland.

Mayor's Court Statistics for 2013 vs. 2014

|                          | 2013      | 2014      |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| General Fund             | \$188,970 | \$188,780 |
| Law Enforcement Trust    | \$6,588   | \$1,086   |
| Court Computer Fund      | \$6,251   | \$5,764   |
| Capital Improvement Fund | \$12,539  | \$11,524  |
| Revenues                 | \$214,348 | \$207,154 |

# Breakdown of a Typical Traffic Violation

| Fine        | \$45  |
|-------------|-------|
| Court Costs | \$100 |
| Total       | \$145 |

#### Breakdown of \$100 Court Costs

| \$20.00 | Treasurer, State of Ohio                     |
|---------|--|
| \$ 9.00 | Victims of Violent Crimes Fund               |
| \$ 3.50 | Drug Law Enforcement Fund                    |
| \$ 1.50 | Indigent Driver Alcohol Treatment Fund       |
| \$ 5.00 | State Treasury Indigent Defense Support Fund |
| \$41.00 | Village of Walton Hills General Fund         |
| \$ 5.00 | Walton Hills Computer Fund                   |
| \$ 5.00 | Criminal Justice Regional Information Fund   |
| \$10.00 | Walton Hills Vehicle Replacement Fund        |



### SERVICE DEPARTMENT

The Service Department is responsible for maintaining all Village owned infrastructure within the seven square miles of the community.

The Department operates within an approved budget and provides an ongoing five-year equipment replacement plan, a five-year cleaning and video inspection program of the sanitary sewer system, monthly sanitary sewer pump station inspections and an annual road maintenance schedule.

The Department participates in consortiums and government contracts to secure advantageous pricing for road salt, fuel, equipment, rubbish disposal and recycling. They also participate in the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District collection round-ups for computers, scrap tires and household hazardous waste.

Services provided to residents free of charge include: curbside brush chipping, curbside leaf collection, litter control, snow removal, wood chip deliveries and maintenance of roadways, storm and sanitary sewer systems and right-of-ways.

#### Waste Collection Tonnage Totals

|   | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Solid Waste (to landfill)                                 | 941   | 885   | 867   | 881   |
| Recycled Curbside (cardboard, bottles, plastic and cans)  | 90    | 121   | 113   | 102   |
| Recycled Yard Waste (leaf collection, brush chipping)     | 1,223 | 1,204 | 1,178 | 1195  |
| Recycling Roundups (hazardous waste, tires and computers) | 5     | 5     | 6     | 5     |
| Recycling Paper Bins (Village<br>Hall)                    | 56    | 44    | 42    | 44    |
| Total Waste   | 2,315 | 2,259 | 2,206 | 2,227 |



## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

The Building Department is responsible for enforcing the Village building and zoning codes, reviewing building plans, issuing permits, registering contractors, performing building and zoning inspections and responding to a large number and variety of inquiries. They are also state certified to issue permits and perform inspections in the commercial, business and industrial districts. Municipal Building Inspection Solutions, LLC provides the Village with building inspection and related services.

Bob Apanasewicz is the Village's Chief Building Official. Rob Kalman is the Village's Facilities Maintenance/ Zoning Inspector.

| Revenue Type             | 2013      | 2014      | Increase/<br>Decrease | % Increase/<br>Decrease |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Commercial               | 7,871.37  | 8,129.06  | 257.69                | 3.3%                    |
| Non-Commercial           | 10,147.20 | 10,987.06 | 839.86                | 8.3%                    |
| Street Opening           | 100.00    | 100.00    | 0                     | 0.0%                    |
| Contractor Registrations | 17,195.00 | 18,125.00 | 930.00                | 5.4%                    |
| Fire Dept. Permits       | 305.00    | 380.58    | 75.58                 | 24.8%                   |
| Other Revenue            | 6,792.60  | 14,823.20 | 8,030.60              | 118.2%                  |
| Total                    | 42,411.17 | 52,544.90 | 10,133.73             | 23.9%                   |



# RECREATION AND COMMUNITY LIFE DEPARTMENT

The Village's Recreation and Community Life Department continues to offer a wide variety of activities for all residents. For senior and handicapped residents, the Recreation Department provides transportation. A food pantry is located in the Community Room to assist residents in need.

Non-perishable food items, toiletries and paper products are available.

Homestead and HEAP applications are also available.

During the summer of 2014, the Recreation Department enrolled 80 children from ages 4 to 14 in the "Parker Program", a summer day camp program. The Parker Program at T.G. Young Park operates four days a week (Monday through Thursday) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The program offers many activities including arts and crafts, games, golfing, swimming, bowling and sports. The Village also offers other sports programs such as t-ball, baseball and softball.

#### WALTON HILLS IS PROUD TO PROVIDE:

# Senior and Handicapped Resident Programs

- · Monthly luncheons
- Transportation
- Health screenings
- Flu shots
- · Entitlement programs
- · Prescription drug assistance
- · Cell phones
- · Weekly shopping trips
- · Benevolent Fund/events

#### Additional Programs/ Events

- Carol's Bookworms
- · Various trips planned throughout the year
- · Food pantry available for those in need

The Recreation and Community Life Department collected **\$40,375.25** in revenue.



# RECREATION AND COMMUNITY LIFE DEPARTMENT (continued)

2014 Trips

Coopers Apple Butter & Jelly Factory

Hard Rock Rocksino (2)

Play "Death Trap"

Spread Eagle Tavern and Inn

West Side Market (2)

Historic Fort Steuben

Middlefield Century Village

Play "Jersey Boys"

Miss Molly's Tearoom

Root Candle

Canal Visitors' Center

Gervasi Vineyard

Velvet Ice Cream/Ye Olde Mill

Malabar Farms

The Wilds

Guarinos Restaurant/Presti's

and Corbo's Bakery

Patterson Fruit Farm

Walk About Wildlife Center

Maltz Museum

Presque Isle Casino

Castle Noel

Play "White Christmas"

2014 Events

**Princess Party** 

Men's Basketball

National Day of Prayer

Family Bingo

Memorial Day

Garage Sale

Community Day

V.I.P. Dinner

Hayride

Halloween Party

Veterans Day

Christmas Tree Lighting

Santa Delivery

Transportation

Individual – 524 (Numbers do not include

Group – 109 Parker Program trips or

drop-offs)

Special – 53

**Senior Events** 

Senior Lunches (12)

Flu Shot Clinic

Health Screening at UH Bedford

**Medical Center** 

Senior Breakfast at Sam's Club

Senior Cookout at T.G. Young Park

**Parker Trips** 

Sky Zone

Movie Club

Whirlyball

Metroparks Hikes (2)

Wild Water Kingdom

Bowling

#### **Senior Trips**

Valentine Dance

Spring Fling

Health Fair

Elder Class

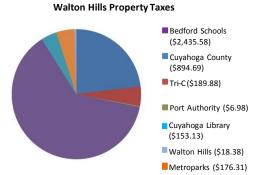
50 + Club Christmas Party

Walton Manor Group

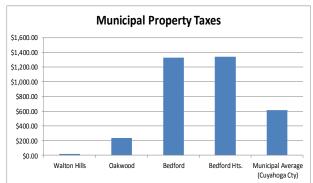


# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012, DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014

|                               | 2012         | 2013         | 2014         |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| h Receipts                    |              |              |              |
| Income Tax                    | 3,325,607.35 | 3,689,706.48 | 4,537,357.16 |
| Withholding (Payroll)         | 2,756,446.35 | 3,004,029.58 | 3,584,302.33 |
| Net Profit                    | 454,746.36   | 524,532.77   | 678,965.25   |
| Individual                    | 114,414.64   | 161,144.13   | 274,089.58   |
| Property Tax                  |              |              |              |
| Real Property                 | 35,862.73    | 33,903.98    | 33,789.92    |
| Personal Property             | 0.58         | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| State Subsidized              | 3,317.80     | 3,297.68     | 3,285.43     |
| CAT Tax                       | 6,966.48     | 3,483.24     | 3,483.24     |
| Fines, Fees, Court Costs      | ,            | ·            | •            |
| Mayor's Court                 | 186,426.24   | 195,334.86   | 197,599.54   |
| Garfield Heights              | 6,890.00     | 13,568.00    | 9,553.99     |
|                               |              |              |              |
| Vehicle License and Fuel Tax  | 220,873.05   | 219,130.76   | 203,730.80   |
| Earnings on Investments       | 830.88       | 7,126.64     | 1,325.49     |
| Local Government Fund         | 50,904.72    | 26,227.61    | 37,541.50    |
| Licenses and Permits          | 34,043.47    | 42,411.17    | 53,034.90    |
| Grants                        | 1,660,294.92 | 934,219.14   | 14,482.54    |
| Intergovernmental Receipts    | 35,621.07    | 35,286.37    | 34,165.47    |
| Charges for Services          | 35,281.49    | 44,914.91    | 62,961.63    |
| Dispatch Services             | 54,166.65    | 130,000.00   | 132,600.00   |
| Cell Tower Lease              | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| Cable Franchise Fees          | 31,530.63    | 31,717.20    | 32,058.39    |
| Northfield Sewer              | 37,918.75    | 16,638.75    | 47,331.25    |
| Miscellaneous                 | 5,936.60     | 8,546.02     | 18,395.62    |
| Admission Tax                 | 7,940.47     | 8,424.20     | 9,923.77     |
| Asset Sales                   | 3,327.00     | 6,645.00     | 56,053.11    |
| Prisoner Housing              | 0.00         | 9,106.10     | 2,475.00     |
| Estate Tax                    | 203,758.43   | 20,437.82    | 10,911.71    |
| Debt Proceeds (Capital Lease) | 0.00         | 425,703.49   | 0.00         |
| Special Assessments           | 2,331.10     | 1,714.62     | 0.00         |
| Third Party In/Out            | 44,101.00    | 29,961.20    | 34,464.10    |
| Total Revenues                | 5,993,931.41 | 5,937,505.24 | 5,536,524.56 |



Figures based on a home value of \$200,000

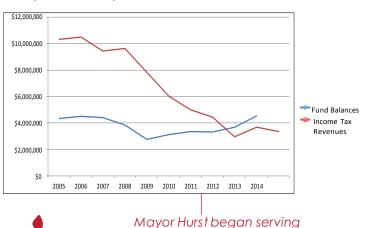


Based on a home value of \$200,000. Property tax represents municipal portion only. Does not include school, county, etc. property taxes (2014 tax year/2015 collection year).

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012, DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014 (continued)

| Cash Disbursements                  |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                     | 2012           | 2013           | 2014           |
| Police                              | 1,836,567.94   | 1,948,153.22   | 2,060,758.76   |
| Service Department                  | 616,644.77     | 639,413.21     | 777,636.24     |
| General Government                  | 575,865.81     | 592,194.41     | 660,394.97     |
| Fire Services                       | 470,382.75     | 490,000.00     | 491,183.50     |
| Residential Sewer Payments          | 68,821.13      | 0.00           | 0.00           |
| Recreation                          | 180,599.64     | 175,682.27     | 201,560.64     |
| Capital Outlay                      | 2,748,102.66   | 561,461.05     | 741,500.33     |
| Building Department                 | 38,114.51      | 67,592.26      | 74,560.03      |
| Utilities                           | 126,395.90     | 124,229.03     | 141,291.65     |
| Solicitor/Legal                     | 74,157.71      | 74,482.82      | 76,474.76      |
| Salt                                | 87,390.59      | 78,555.09      | 109,964.79     |
| Waste Collection                    | 133,603.33     | 135,024.23     | 126,598.23     |
| Debt Service                        | 70,559.64      | 61,412.17      | 36,471.69      |
| Engineering                         | 244,051.84     | 72,088.21      | 102,768.27     |
| Fuel                                | 84,593.94      | 84,871.90      | 100,823.45     |
| Mayor's Court                       | 81,820.91      | 76,069.65      | 92,856.07      |
| Public Health Services (County)     | 10,043.60      | 10,004.94      | 10,418.56      |
| Third Party In/Out                  | 27,901.88      | 26,935.20      | 43,675.08      |
| Total Expenditures                  | 7,475,618.55   | 5,218,169.66   | 5,848,937.02   |
|                                     |                |                |                |
| Increase (Decrease) in Cash Balance | (1,481,687.14) | 719,335.58     | (312,412.46)   |
| Beginning Balance January 1         | \$4,407,658.18 | \$2,925,971.04 | \$3,645,306.62 |
| Ending Balance December 31          | \$2,925,971.04 | \$3,645,306.62 | \$3,332,894.16 |

# Fund Balances and Income Tax Revenues (2005-2014)



as Walton Hills mayor

#### Full-Time Employees

