



**Ceremony on the Grounds at Village Hall**

**Monday, May 31, 2021 at 8:30am**

**Weather Permitting. Masks must be worn and social distancing practiced.  
 Event subject to change due to COVID-19.**



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

- The Village is waiting for a response from the Ohio EPA on the submissions for the City owned Krick Rd. property.
- The Village has received the preliminary findings from the Ohio EPA on the condition of the former Ford plant. Those findings indicate that Ford has taken steps to manage the environmental conditions at the plant. However, we await further information on their continued efforts to remediate the site or what will be required to clean up the site for development.
- News media outlets have identified a partnership of Weston Inc., the DiGeronimo Cos. and Scannell Properties, as a prospective purchaser of the Ford properties. Ford has indicated to Walton Hills that they are working on potential closing dates. However, no specific date has been provided. While incentives were discussed with the possible buyers, at this time no specific request is pending.
- The documents have been finalized for the Smith and Oby expansion project. Smith and Oby has asked for a little more time before finalizing the terms of the agreement.
- After the final rules and the amount of the award to Walton Hills for the second round of the Cares Act funding are established, the administration will discuss possible Economic Development programs.

**The tax filing deadline for Federal, State and Walton Hills returns is Monday, May 17.**

# Medicare and Coronavirus

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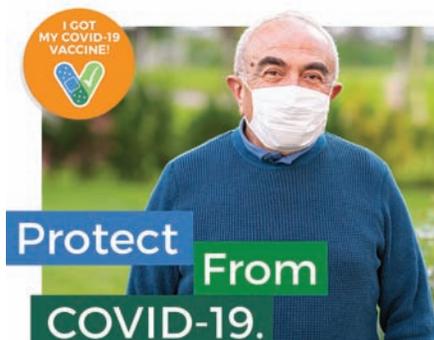
Coronavirus/COVID-19 continues to be a serious health issue within our country and notably, among individuals 65+ years of age. Testing, vaccinations and treatment have had a substantial impact upon the virus. Still, many Seniors have questions regarding Medicare coverage related to the virus.

For comprehensive information, refer to the official U.S. Government site for Medicare, Medicare.gov. Specifically, the web address for information on this topic is: <https://www.medicare.gov/medicare-coronavirus>. If you have a Medicare Advantage Plan, contact the provider for any questions you may have.

The good news is, that as most are aware, Medicare covers the cost of the vaccine. The bad news is, that there are numerous related scams. **Scam calls are being received in which Seniors are being directed to provide their Medicare number and other personal information over the phone, so they can receive immediate access to the vaccine. Unless you have initiated the call, to a trusted source, do not provide your personal information.** This is an opportunity for scammers to take advantage, do not allow yourself to be a victim.

As noted on Medicare.gov website, **Medicare covers the following COVID-19 related needs:**

- Lab tests, you pay no out-of-pocket costs
- FDA authorized antibody test
- Monoclonal antibody treatments
- Vaccines, you pay no out-of-pocket costs, you pay for any hospital deductibles, copays, or coinsurances that apply



## Tips For the Doctor's Office

Making the most of your appointment with your physician is critically important. Here are some tips to make that valuable time with your physician to be the most productive.

**Make a list and prioritize your concerns** — Prepare before you go to the office. For most of us, that means preparing notes or reminders in advance. These should be some of the key pieces of information that you want to share with your physician, in addition to questions you want answered. Put them in order of priority, in case your physician limits your time.

**Provide adequate detail** — Be sure that the information is specific. For instance, if you are identifying symptoms describe them in detail, when they started and when they occur. Honesty is critical.

**Keep your doctor up to date** — Have a copy of an updated list of all medications you are on, frequency and dosage. Also, include any over-the-counter products, vitamins and supplements.

**Consider bringing a family member** — If you are able and willing to have someone accompany you to the appointment, having someone else listen to the information is beneficial.

**Reinforce that you have accurate information** — Whatever is discussed with the physician, confirm your understanding. Ask questions and get additional information if needed.

**Ask questions as needed** — Inquire as to what you can expect, from treatments, to side effects, to the progression of your condition.

**Inform the doctor if you have any visual or auditory impairments** — Be sure you can see and hear as well as needed. Use any assistive devices you need such as eyeglasses or hearing aids.

**Request an interpreter if needed** — Arrange this in advance.

# Walton Hills Legislation

Council meeting minutes are available in their entirety on the Village website

## Resolution 2021-9 Passed 6-0

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Contacts, Purchasing Services for participation in the Ohio Department of Transportation's contract for rock salt and declaring an emergency.

- This resolution authorizes the Village to use the Ohio Department of Transportation Purchasing Services to purchase rock salt from a vendor chosen through the bid process by ODOT.

## Resolution 2021-10 Passed 6-0

A resolution authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer of the Village of Walton Hills to enter into a contract with Anthem for healthcare and prescriptive drug insurance coverage for all eligible Village employees, effective May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022, and declaring an emergency.

- This resolution authorizes the contract with Anthem for healthcare and prescriptive drug insurance for eligible Village employees.

## Resolution 2021-11 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Walton Hills Club Co. ("Company"), an Ohio Corporation D.B.A. Walton Hills Lake, for the provision of recreational services for the benefit of the residents of the Village through the remainder of the calendar year 2021 and declaring an emergency.

- This resolution authorizes the Village to enter into an agreement for recreational services provided by the Walton Hills Lake Club for the remainder of the calendar year 2021.

## Ordinance 2021-5 Passed 6-0

An ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to apply for and accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) Energized Community Grant(s) in the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio and declaring an emergency.

- This ordinance authorizes the Village to accept the NOPEC Energized Community Grant for the 2021 year in the amount of \$6,280.

## DUNHAM ROAD RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Construction remains on schedule. It is expected that this work will be completed in mid-June of this year. Construction activity shifted from the west side of the roadway to the east side of the Dunham Road pavement in April. Traffic will continue to be restricted to southbound only and vehicles will be directed to drive on the west side, or the normal legal side, of the road. Dunham Road will remain restricted to southbound only traffic throughout the duration of the project. Concrete pavement repair and pavement widening continues. Your patience and cooperation with this important project is greatly appreciated.

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Don Kolograf  
440-786-2963

Jennifer Allen  
440-439-4119

Mary Brenner-Miller  
440-232-1249

Denny Linville  
440-241-2121

Brian Spitznagel  
440-439-1609

Gloria Terlosky  
440-439-1087

Raymond Weeden  
440-658-9057



## Reminders

- Due to Memorial Day, trash will be delayed one day. Collection will take place on Saturday, June 5
- Hydrant flushing begins in May

### PAPER SHREDDING

**Saturday, May 8: 9am-Noon**

In the upper parking lot at Village Hall  
7595 Walton Road

The Village will be offering a shredding service for Walton Hills residents and businesses only.

#### **Proof of residency will be required.**

This will be an opportunity to dispose of old paperwork without worrying about identity theft. A powerful, mobile document destruction vehicle will provide quick, confidential destruction and recycling of paper items.

#### **Staples and paper clips are acceptable.**

The shredding will take place rain or shine.

## The Do's and Don'ts of BRUSH CHIPPING

"Brush" is any woody plant material, no larger than six inches in diameter and a minimum of 18 inches long, preferably longer. Any brush shorter than 18 inches will not properly feed through the chipper machine and is more likely to clog it, which can cause damage to the chipper. It is better to compost those items.

**For safety reasons and/or longevity of the chipping machine we will NOT chip the following:**

- Dimensional lumber
- Hedge clippings
- Grasses of any kind, vines or cornstalks
- Stumps/Roots, anything with excessive dirt
- Bundles wrapped in twine, wire or tape
- Anything from below ground, no matter how "clean" it may appear

**Lot/Land Maintenance:** If you hire a company to prune or remove trees, **THEY** must remove all material.

## Guidelines for the Staging of Brush at the Road



- Place all branches, cut ends facing the road, in loose piles at the street by Monday morning.
- Branches cannot be larger than six inches in diameter.
- The longer the branch, the easier it is to load and run through the chipper. However, the branch must be able to be picked up by the employee and dragged by hand to the chipper.
- Leave separation between piles. This is to allow employees the ability to reach in and pull the pile to the chipper in a safe manner.
- If you are removing several trees or redoing landscaping, we ask that you do the project in phases. **Keep piles to a minimum so that our time at each stop should not be any longer than five minutes.**
- If you only have one or two sticks, please hold those until you have an armload, this will help us streamline our operations and better serve the community.
- **Piles will not be picked up if they are too difficult to remove or are not placed properly, as these are safety risks for employees.**

## Building Permits

With the warmer weather upon us, our Building Department strives to work with not just the residents, but also with builders and contractors too. If you are planning to have work done at your residence, remember these following requirements:

- Contractors must be registered with Walton Hills prior to working in the Village.
- Before work begins, the proper permits must be issued by the Building Department. The Village does this to protect you from faulty work through pre and post inspections.

For more information on permits, please visit [www.waltonhillsohio.gov](http://www.waltonhillsohio.gov) and for a list of registered contractors, call the Village Hall at 440-232-7800.

## PICKING UP AFTER YOUR PET ISN'T HARD TO DOO!

There are more than 90,000 dogs in Cuyahoga County. If each dog poops twice a day, that could be more than **45 tons of doggie droppings every day!** That's a lot of bacteria, and when it rains, that groundwater and surface runoff carries that bacteria to local waterways.

Cleaning up after your dog is a simple step you can take to help keep the watershed clean and waterways free of harmful bacteria.



### Remember these Doo's:

**Doo** be prepared and carry pet waste bags with you.

**Doo** tie the bag and make sure the bag ends up in a trash can.

**Doo** take it with you. Never leave a bag behind when you walk or hike.

**Doo** pick it up at home to keep your yard healthy and to protect streams.

**Doo** flush dog waste down the toilet. Unlike runoff after a rain, sewage from your toilet is treated to destroy dangerous bacteria.

### And Don'ts:

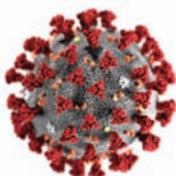
**Don't** leave your pet waste on your lawn. Pathogens are dangerous to children and can contaminate anything edible growing in your yard.

**Don't** add pet waste to compost. The compost won't generate enough heat to kill the pathogens.

**Don't** forget to pick up after your pet in public spaces, like parks and beaches. Pet waste left near water is washed into waterways quicker and is more likely to cause bacterial problems and beach closures.

**If you would like a Pick Up Poop! sign for your yard, signs are available at Village Hall.**

Signs are courtesy of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District.



Information on COVID-19 is posted on the Village of Walton Hills website:

[www.waltonhillsohio.gov](http://www.waltonhillsohio.gov)

and on the Village Facebook pages.

On Facebook search:

@VillageofWaltonHills or @WaltonHillsPolice



# Recreation News

Recreation & Community Life 440-786-2964

**HOURS: 9am – 4pm, MONDAY – FRIDAY**

**For all Village events, please follow CDC Guidelines and be sure to wear masks and keep 6' distancing!  
Please note that all events are subject to change or be rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances.**

**Please call to confirm event dates/times if you are not sure.**

## CAROL'S BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

**Date:** Monday, May 24 (Monthly)  
**Time:** 7pm  
**Cost:** FREE!  
**Site:** WH Community Event Center

If you have any questions on this program, please call the **Recreation Department at 440-786-2964.**

### CAROL'S BOOKWORM REVIEW

Last month we read the book  
"The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett.  
We rated this book 5 out of 5.



## SENIOR DRIVE THRU LUNCH

**Date:** Thursday, May 27 (Monthly)  
**RSVP & Cancellation**

**Deadline:** Thursday, May 20

**Menu:** Swedish Meatballs over Egg  
Noodles, Broccoli, Salad, Bread  
and Dessert

**Time:** Pick up 11:30am – 12:30pm

**Cost:** \$7.00 per person

**Site:** WH Community Event Center

**Drive Thru Lunch:** This service will continue to be available to any senior resident who would like to pick up lunch at the WH Community Event Center until we can be together again safely.

**FREE Drop Off Lunch:** This service is available to any senior resident who **CANNOT** drive but would like to order a lunch! Our drivers will be happy to drop off lunch after we serve the Drive Thru Lunch.

**RSVP and Cancellations by Thursday, May 20:**

Call the Recreation Department at 440-786-2964.

## 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Village Garage Sale

**Thursday, June 17 through  
Saturday, June 19 • 9am – 4pm**

**Site:** Your Garage

**Cost:** \$17

- Join in this community-wide Garage Sale!
- All the advertising is done for you!
- Village creates a map of who is having sales and what items are being sold!
- Resident gets a garage sale sign to put in their front yard!
- Village puts directional signs to your street!
- All current COVID-19 guidelines at the time of sale will apply!
- To register, forms available at Village Hall, Community Center or at:  
[www.WaltonHillsOhio.gov](http://www.WaltonHillsOhio.gov).

**DEADLINE TO GET ON THE MAP IS  
THURSDAY, JUNE 10**

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

During these challenging times, the hope is that every citizen, student, and business person will join with others to pray for our community, region, and nation.

**As a community, gather at the end of your driveway or look out your window at 7pm and pray for our country.**

## YOGA – FOR THE MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT

**Join us on Tuesdays,  
May 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 6:30pm  
at the WH Community Event Center**

**\$75.00 for (7) 1-hour sessions**

**Drop Ins are always welcome: \$12.00**

No previous Yoga experience necessary.

# Calendar of Events

## May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>* Please note that Council Meeting dates are subject to change. Until further notice, all Council Meetings will be viewed virtually. The meeting link will be posted on the Village website and Facebook page prior to the meeting.</p>						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6:30-7:30pm Yoga  7pm * Committee of the Whole Virtual Meeting	<b>5</b> 7pm Lake Club Meeting	<b>6</b> 4pm Mayor's Court  7pm National Day of Prayer	<b>7</b> 7am Trash Pick Up	<b>8</b> 9am-Noon Paper Shredding Event
<b>9</b> 	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8am-5:30pm Life Line Screening 6:30-7:30pm Yoga 7pm * COW Virtual Meeting	<b>12</b> 7-8pm Saint Mary's Women's Guild	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 7am Trash Pick Up	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> TAX FILING DEADLINE  7pm Antique Automobile Club of America	<b>18</b> 6:30-7:30pm Yoga  7pm * Council Virtual Meeting	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 4pm Mayor's Court	<b>21</b> 7am Trash Pick Up	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 7pm Carol's Bookworms	<b>25</b> 6:30-7:30pm Yoga	<b>26</b> 1-7pm Blood Drive  	<b>27</b> 11:30am-12:30pm Senior Drive Thru Lunch	<b>28</b> 7am Trash Pick Up	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 8:30am Memorial Day Service - Village Hall, Recreation and Service Dept. Closed					

**Mahjongg** - Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ

### LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will be in our community on **Tuesday, May 11, 2021** at the Walton Hills Community Event Center.

Register online TODAY at [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-circle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-circle) and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!

Calendar subject to change. Please refer to the calendar on our website for the most up to date information: [www.waltonhillsohio.gov](http://www.waltonhillsohio.gov)



## Your destination for urgent orthopedic care is ready to treat you with same-day appointments and walk-ins

When an unexpected orthopedic injury occurs, visit the UH Orthopedic Injury Clinics.



**Expert urgent orthopedic care** for children and adults



**Immediate, same-day access** to a team of orthopedic specialists



**Complete orthopedic care** for fractures, ACL tears, sprains and strains and everything in-between



**Next-day surgery** if necessary



**Significant cost savings** compared to an ER visit



**Walk-ins** and same-day appointments

**UH Ahuja Medical Center Orthopedic Injury Clinic**  
3999 Richmond Road  
Beachwood, Ohio 44122

To make an appointment, call **216-545-1505**.

Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**UH Geauga Medical Center Specialty Clinic**  
13207 Ravenna Road  
Chardon, Ohio 44024

To make an appointment, call **440-876-8050**.

Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**UH Broadview Health Center /Center for Orthopedics**  
5901 Royalton Road, Suite 1400  
Broadview Heights, OH 44147

To make an appointment, call **440-771-7947**.

Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.