



# VILLAGE OF PAYNE

## NEWSLETTER



### Ritual Coffee

An inviting coffee lounge serving signature lattes and drinks. It's a vibe!

*Locally Owned by Annie Morehead!*

- **Located at:** 125 East Merrin Street, Payne, Ohio 45880
- **Hours:**
  - Monday - Friday
    - 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  - Saturdays
    - 7:00 AM - Noon

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### Income Tax

We receive on average of **\$355,000 annually** from the Income Tax.

- 31% - Police Fund
- 11% - EMS (this replaced the prior EMS Levy)

Remaining funds:

- 80% - Capital Improvements (like Water/Sewer improvements)
- 20% - General Fund

\*\*\*The total project cost for the water line project on W. Oak St., W. Merrin St. and E. Merrin St. and the digital water meters came to \$1,156,965.00. Thankfully this was covered by grant dollars allowing us to allocate funding elsewhere.





[Lora Lyons - Mayor](#)

[Email Mayor](#)

**Bradley Bohland**  
- *Council President*

**Jason Hower**

**Priscilla Kadolph**

**Al Wobler**

**Nancy Speice**

**Jennifer Zartman**

## Council & Mayor

We would first like to thank the residents for their patience during the water line & digital water meter projects. We know its been a long process but overall these improvements will greatly enhance the efficiency and production of our water distribution!

Grants submitted - Pending:

- TAPS Grant - \$1.8 million to improve/replace sidewalks along S. Main St. and add new and improved LED Decorative Lighting to downtown. Reward notices by May of 2025. Funding year will be 2027. The grant would cover 95% of the construction cost. Making our investment around \$90,000 if awarded.
- Safe Routes to School Grant - 100% funding on \$559,090 grant (if awarded) to improve/replace sidewalks on
  - E. Merrin
  - E. Oak
  - Plainfield
  - Foraker

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS BOARD

**Jarrod Childs - President**

**Ray Speice**

## BPA

**Pending Plans:**

- Grant submitted to replace a portion of water line on W. Townline St. This grant would cover 50% of the cost and the other half would be a 0% interest loan for the Village.
- Purchasing land for third well required by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) due to the age of our existing wells. This will serve as a back up if one of our wells fail. 7 acres of land will be purchased from Chad Lantow for \$156,667.50 to house the well. This option was the most viable as it was close in location to our existing plant which reduces the cost of running a water line, which is estimated to be around \$1,000,000 per mile to run. The land located northeast of town, right next to PMI. This purchase will be covered by the Income Tax.
- Submitted for funding opportunity for Major Improvements to the Water Plant, roughly estimated around \$2 million. Read more through the link. Letter to residents will be coming soon!



**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! THE VILLAGE COVERS THE COST OF CLASSES AND TRAINING. EMTS WILL RECEIVE A ONE TIME \$500 BONUS UPON COMPLETION.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING, CONTACT US!**

**Jesse Hefner - Fire Chief**

**Bill Lyons - EMS Coordinator**

[Email Us Here](#)

## Fire Department/EMS

- Received a \$10,000 grant from Paulding County Area Foundation for a new extrication system (Jaws of Life). Still fundraising and grant writing to reach the total cost of \$48,000.
- Received a \$21,000 BWC grant for a power lift cot.
- Received a \$2,244.00 from Paulding Putnam Electric Round-Up for SCBA masks and helmets for the Fire Department.
- Received a \$8,868 grant from the Paulding County Area Foundation to replace foam to stop electric vehicle fires and agricultural fires. This grant helped all local departments in Paulding County.
- Continuing training at least 2 times every month.
- Saturday morning health clinic. The EMS will be offering on the last Saturday of the month where they can do basic vital checks & CPR Training. More details to come!
- Repainted existing building and replaced some windows.
- Wayne Trace Art Department painted the Department Patch on the side of the building.
- New storage building being constructed on the corner of Laura & Bailey, across from existing department. We have outgrown the current building. Cost to completely rebuild were estimated at \$4 Million, while adding a storage facility is estimated at \$150,000-\$200,000. Estimated timeline this Summer/Fall.



**Rodney Miller**  
- Chief -



**Brandon Shuherk**  
- Evening Officer -

## Police Department

### Improvements:

- New Solar Powered Digital Signs will be installed at each of the main road access points coming into town. This is to help reduce excess speeding entering into town.

### Public Reminders:

- Residents are encouraged to contact **911 in an emergency** and the Paulding County Sheriffs Office will dispatch our officers or respond themselves if our officers are unavailable.
- Grass clippings cannot be blown into the street due them causing our drainage to back up and due to the risk of motorcycle accidents. Violations can result in fines.
- Grass cannot exceed 6 inches.
- Please keep vehicles locked at all times to deter theft.

[View Police Logs](#)



**Randy Miller**

[Email Street Department](#)

## Street Department

### Public Reminders:

- Limb & Leaf Pickup Reminders- Mondays the village picks up leaves & limbs. Please keep limbs & leaves in separate piles place by the side of the road. NO animal waste. Limbs cannot be bigger than 6 in. thick or 6 ft long. Anything larger, an appt can be made by calling 419-263-2514 ext. 0 to drop off.

### Upcoming Projects:

- Restocking the fish in the pond
- Adding mulch and landscaping to the caboose and playground at the Payne Community Park
- Landscaping at the Buckeye Park
- Paving/Patching Roads- Budgeted a total of \$190,000 covered by Income Tax.
- Patching:
  - SR 49 (multiple spots)
  - E. Merrin / Maple Intersection
  - Railroad St.
  - Alley by Williamson
  - Alley between Merrin & Bailey / Main & Hyman
  - Townline/Fox
  - Fox St
  - Evard Blvd
- Paving (additions pending)
  - South Laura St.
  - Arturus St.
  - Dallas St.
  - Fairfield St.



**Brant Heck**

## Water Department

### Upcoming/Completed Projects:

**Water Department Treated 46 Million Gallons of Water in 2024**

- Replacing small section of sewer line on Fox St.
- Clean up, reseeding, and replanting, as well as, paving from the water line project on Merrin St and W. Oak.
- Moving the electrical panel out of the water plant and into its own building for safety and to minimize exposure to water corrosion and damage.

[Email Water Superintendent](#)



# UPCOMING EVENTS



Payne Fire & EMS's  
**PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE  
BREAKFAST**

APRIL 19TH, 6:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

DURING THE BASKETBALL MARATHON

AT THE PAYNE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

FREE WILL DONATION

CARRY OUT AVAILABLE

FOR DELIVERY CONTACT

JOE SCHMIDT - 419-406-0162



VILLAGE OF PAYNE'S

# EASTER CELEBRATION

APRIL 19TH, 2025

12:00 PM

AT THE PAYNE  
VILLAGE PARK

RAIN DATE: 04/21/2025 5:00 PM

Hosted by the Payne Ministerial Association.

12:00 -Special message from the

- Payne Ministerial Association!
- Meet at the Basketball Court

Easter Egg Hunt available for all kid ages.

12:30 Free Will Donation Lunch

- Big Guys Firehouse
- DEJA BREW

Guest Appearances by Mr. Bunny!



# P.A.S.S. 45th Annual Basketball Marathon

- Dates: Good Friday April 18th and ending Saturday April 19th
- Location: Payne Elementary School
- Proceeds from the event will go towards: P.A.S.S. (Paulding Area Support Society)



## **WT NHS 5K: SUNRISE EDITION**

**Saturday, May 3, 2025**

1 Mile Run/Walk and 5K Race: **8:00 A.M.**

Registration Begins: **7:15 A.M.**

Location: **Payne Elementary School Ball Field**

*Proceeds will benefit the Chad Jay family.*

**Entry Fees:**

-- \$20 Pre-register by **Monday, April 7** (guarantees a t-shirt)

--\$25 day of Race

--**Students 18 and under:** \$15 pre-register, \$20 day of race

T-shirt pick-up available on Friday, May 2 at WTHS from 3:00 – 5:00. If you come Friday, you do not have to register the day of the race.

----- **REGISTRATION FORM** -----

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle One:** 5K Run - 1 Mile Run/Walk

Age: \_\_\_ M/F: \_\_\_

**T-Shirt Size**

**Child sizes**    S    M    L  
**Adult sizes**    S    M    L    XL    XXL    XXXL

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (If under 18-parent/guardian) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Wayne Trace NHS  
 Mail Applications to: Wayne Trace Attn: NHS 4915 U.S. 127 Haviland, OH 45851  
 For more information email: [klopfensteinj@waynetrace.org](mailto:klopfensteinj@waynetrace.org)

I know that running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity and that I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. I assume all risks associated with running in this event. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of accepting my entry, I and anyone entitled to act on my behalf waive and release Wayne Trace, the NHS Members, and all race volunteers from claims and liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event. I also grant all right to the aforementioned to use any photographs for a legitimate purpose.

There is NO rain date; We Go Rain or Shine. In case of inclement weather, the WT NHS reserves the right to cancel/alter/modify the race/course for safety concerns. In any case, there will be No Refunds of race entry fees. Also, there is no complimentary race entry to a future race. All monies collected, after expenses, will go to the Jay family.

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