

MAYOR'S REPORT
MARCH 2018

Many good things are happening this month for our residents. We were pleased to see that the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge's long-awaited re-opening occurred. We appreciate the residents tolerating this unfortunate repair and can appreciate the inconvenience they experienced with the bridge closure.

We continued to assist our residents with the AARP tax preparation and will continue to do so until April 13th. Special thanks to the AARP volunteers for their hard work to ensure that our residents got their federal and state income taxes filed.

I was pleased to present Council with an ordinance and agreement for a project which entails the Hospice of Western Reserve coming into the City of Willoughby Hills. They will be moving their Mentor location to the Chagrin North Medical Building complex in July, after building renovations are complete. We welcome this new well-established reputable business and look forward to the economic development they are providing to us.

With the help of the NOPEC Energized Community Grant in the amount of \$36,754, we look forward to replacing the fourteen windows in the Fire Station, three doors in the Fire Station, and twelve windows at City Hall. This is Phase 1 of a three-year plan to use grant funding for building renovations. Special thanks to Firefighter Bob Vencl, Executive Assistant Gloria Majeski, and Road Superintendent Mark Grubiss on accomplishing the task for this grant approval.

I have proposed a balance budget to Council. Instead, they are counter proposing with a budget that will eliminate eight Administration positions. Please feel free to read my veto on this proposal on the City website (check tab "Mayor", then "Vetoed Ordinances"). I continue to work for our residents by ensuring that we have adequate staffing for optimum service for our residents. In addition, I strive to take care of the Police, Fire and Roads, as Council is proposing. Thank you for keeping up on the discussions as they unfold.

Finally, our Recreation activities continue with our Easter Eggstravaganza, Photo Contest in the Art Gallery and Softball and Baseball signups. Don't miss out on getting involved!