

MAYOR'S REPORT  
SEPTEMBER 2010

Our first Town Hall meeting was held on September 1, 2010. While there were not many residents in attendance, I was pleased to review the plans for Issue 3 on this year's ballot. I look forward to two more Town Hall meetings on October 4th and October 25th to further discuss City finances and Issue 3 with our residents. Other areas of concern are open for discussion, as well. I urge residents to attend these meetings.

Maple Grove Road is now open with the slope having been repaired. I appreciate the patience of residents and motorists during this project. Admittedly, it took longer than we would have liked, but I think everyone would agree that our top priority; ensuring that the project was completed properly, even if it meant taking additional time, was justified.

I am pleased to report that the State auditors have completed their audit of our financial records in 2008 and 2009, giving the City very favorable marks. As these were the first two years of my administration, I am very proud of the fine job done by the Finance Department, Finance Committee of Council, and all of the City Hall departments that were a vital part of this excellent outcome. The results of this audit will be made public on the State Auditor's website in January 2011.

We will be mailing recycle magnets to all residents (except condo association members who do not presently use Republic Services) to serve as a reminder of the weeks for recycling pickup. If you need additional magnets, please call or visit City Hall.

We have had many phone calls regarding the selection of electric and gas suppliers. As a service to our residents, the City of Willoughby Hills is a member of N.O.P.E.C., a bulk-purchasing agency that secures aggregate pricing for gas and electric service. The supplier they select should serve to offer the best pricing for our citizens and unless you have specifically opted out of their program, you are automatically included by the utility company. Please feel free to call City Hall if you have any specific questions.

Our Service Department is starting to pick up leaves and reminds our residents to rake them to the edge of the property line at the street for pickup. We also continue to accept branches and leaves at our mulch pile behind City Hall if you wish to drop them off.

As we head in to Fall, we look forward to our Annual Craft Fair on October 9<sup>th</sup> and the start of our Boys League Football Program. Our Service Department is ordering road salt for Winter and will adhere to the salt conservation program for a safe, yet financially conservative, season.

I continue to put "Residents First" at City Hall and once again encourage you to attend our Town Hall meetings to understand the plan we have to keep our city financially sound. If you are unable to attend the meetings and wish to meet with me personally, please do not hesitate to call my office at 440-946-6614.