

February 2018

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		January 31	6:30 pm Parks & Rec Board Meeting	1	2	3 9:00 am Special Civil Service Comm.
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11 7:00 am – 12 Noon Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	12 6:15 pm Electric Comm. BOPA 7:00 pm Water & Sewer Committee 7:30 pm Municipal Properties E.D. Committee	13 4:30 pm BZA 5:00 pm Planning Commission	14	15	16	17
18	19 Presidents Day 6:00pm Parks&Rec Comm Tree Commission 7:00 pm City Council	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 6:30 pm Finance & Budget Committee 7:30 pm Safety & Human Resources Committee	27 4:30 pm Civil Service Commission	28 6:30 pm Parks & Rec Board Mtg.			

City of Napoleon, Ohio


PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 6:30 pm

LOCATION: Council Chambers, 255 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio

1. Call to Order.
2. Organization of Board Members.
3. Approval of Minutes: November 29, 2017. *(in the absence of any objections or corrections, the Minutes shall stand approved)*
4. Discussion on Playground Equipment for Glenwood Park.
5. Miscellaneous.
6. Any Other Matters to come before the Board.



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City of Napoleon, Ohio

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

AGENDA

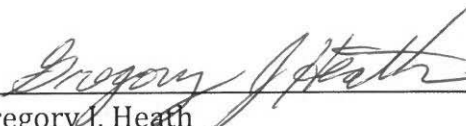
Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 9:00 am

Location: Napoleon Fire Department, 265 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, OH

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

The Civil Service Commission will meet in a work session on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 9:00 am at the Fire Station located at 265 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio; with the agenda items:

- 1) Administer Fire Captain Promotional Exam.
- 2) Any other matters to come before the Commission.
- 3) Adjournment.



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AMP Update for January 19, 2018

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Demand response: Dynamic Pricing and Behavioral Programs

By Erin Miller - director of energy policy and sustainability

The Focus Forward Advisory Council (FFAC) meeting was held Jan. 8, 2018 via WebEx.

Brenda Chew, research analyst at the Smart Electric Power Alliance (SEPA) presented an overview of the demand response (DR) markets, types of dynamic pricing and sample behavioral DR programs.

Chew explained that DR is a fast, cost effective way to meet peak demand that occurs less than 1 percent of the time, but results in more than 10 percent of the infrastructure costs.

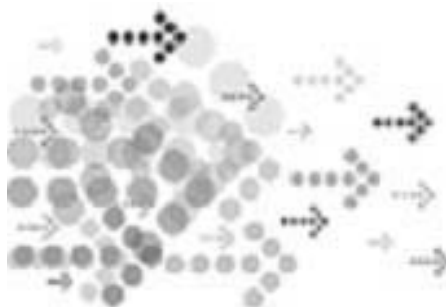
With AMI, dynamic pricing becomes an option. Chew summarized the different types of dynamic pricing being used throughout the country by various utilities.

With or without AMI, behavioral programs to reduce peak demand are a fairly new trend and are popular in the mass market segment. DR behavioral programs are defined as those that may not have direct financial incentives for participation, but may be tied to a dynamic pricing program. Examples of programs falling into this category include asking customers to reduce consumption through email, texts, social media or other lines of communication during a system peak event.

Chew reviewed the key drivers for utilities adopting behavioral programs as:

- Curb energy usage during peak hours;
- Increase customer engagement;
- Provide customers with possible energy and bill savings;
- Reduce the cost of engaging large customer bases;
- Launch relatively quickly.

AMP staff presented a draft behavioral DR campaign called Community Energy Savings Day(s) for the FFAC's review and consideration. The goal of the campaign is to assist AMP members in reducing energy use during peak demand days/hours, thereby saving members money on their transmission/capacity costs.



Staff created draft communication materials to encourage customers to reduce energy usage during specified hours of a projected peak demand day. Materials include: sample emails, sample text/social media messages, sample phone script, sample social media images and sample fact sheets. Staff also noted that a short animated video explaining peak demand is underway.

The slides and recording of the webinar are available on the member extranet under [Focus Forward](#), Advisory Council Meeting Notes/Webinars (must be logged in). For more information, contact me at emiller@amppartners.org or 614.540.1019.

2018 Training Catalog now available on member extranet

By Jennifer Flockerzie - technical services program coordinator

The 2018 AMP Training Catalog is now available on the member extranet page at www.amppartners.org. AMP members seeking high-quality training that is designed to help improve employee performance and enhance safety will find the Training Catalog to be a great resource. Regular training for personnel can ultimately lead to greater system reliability and enhanced customer satisfaction.



Over the past 18 years, more than 800 workers from 80 member communities in six states have attended AMP's popular lineworker training series. Based on member feedback, AMP has expanded its offerings to meet a growing need among member communities. These offerings will help member personnel to develop important skills through technically oriented, hands-on training that emphasizes safe working practices.

AMP will also assist members interested in arranging local or regional training sessions.

For more information, please contact me at 614.540.0853 or jflockerzie@amppartners.org.

Efficiency Smart helps businesses understand energy use

By Steven Nyeste - communications project manager, Efficiency Smart

Energy costs can be a significant expense for many businesses. Understanding the energy usage of equipment is an important starting point to manage these expenses for businesses, and a way to make informed decisions when planning for future energy efficiency improvements.



Efficiency Smart's energy engineers work with businesses in participating communities to install meters on lighting circuits, compressed air units and other systems. This process provides numerous benefits to businesses, including:

- Verifying operating hours of equipment;
- Measuring energy use of equipment;
- Providing recommendations to help develop a strategy to effectively cut energy costs.

Metering alone does not save energy, but taking action based on the data can result in significant savings. An example of this was when a business in Wadsworth contacted Efficiency Smart to review the energy use of its new, large air compressor that it began using throughout the day.

Although the new air compressor was equipped with a variable frequency drive (VFD) to match demand, Efficiency Smart was able to determine that it would be cheaper for the company to only use the new air compressor during peak production times, and to use the smaller system in other instances. Implementing this small change is expected to result in big savings for the business.

Metering can also help municipalities. In Versailles, a business built a new facility and noticed some unexpectedly high energy bills. The village sought Efficiency Smart's assistance to meter the energy use

of the facility. Efficiency Smart deployed meters on the main lighting circuits and new air compressor, and confirmed inconsistencies with the measured data and the data from the village's electric meters.

With Efficiency Smart's help, the village was able to determine that its electric meters were faulty. The village resolved the situation and installed new electric meters at the facility.

"Efficiency Smart is a tool for all businesses, large or small," said Rodd Hale, village administrator for the Village of Versailles. "It's a service provided to Versailles electric customers and when businesses become more energy efficient everyone within the system benefits."

Monthly NERC update call on Jan. 25

By Art Iler - director of reliability standards compliance

AMP, in coordination with Utility Services, Inc., will host its monthly North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) update call and webinar for members from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018. Topics to be discussed include:

- NERC's Standard Alignment with Registration project
- ReliabilityFirst's recent winterization prep site visits
- FERC's recent order rejecting the DOE's request for a "Grid Resilience" rulemaking

The presentation will be followed by a question and answer session, as well as a discussion of the meeting schedule for 2018.

Please contact me with questions, and for the dial-in number and webinar instructions at ailer@amppartners.org or 614.540.0857

Energy markets update

By Jerry Willman - assistant vice president of energy marketing

The February 2018 natural gas contract decreased \$0.043/MMBtu to close at \$3.189 yesterday. The EIA reported a withdrawal of 183 Bcf for the week ending Jan. 12. Market consensus for this week was a withdrawal of 198 Bcf. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) released an updated February temperature outlook, showing near-average temperature expectations for the Midwest and Great Lakes regions, and above-average temperatures along the Southern Tier and up the Eastern Seaboard.

On-peak power prices for 2019 at Ad Hub closed yesterday at \$34.05/MWh, which was \$.15/MWh lower for the the week.

On Peak (16 hour) prices into AEP/Dayton hub

Week ending Jan. 19

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
\$77.40	\$74.98	\$91.58	\$52.61	\$37.63

Week ending Jan. 12

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
\$57.29	\$40.38	\$32.77	\$26.91	\$29.44

AEP/Dayton 2019 5x16 price as of Jan. 18 — \$34.05

AEP/Dayton 2019 5x16 price as of Jan. 11 — \$34.20

AFEC weekly update

By Jerry Willman

The Fremont Energy Center operated in 2x1 configuration for the week. The plant was offline for parts of Saturday, Sunday and Monday morning, but remained online for the remainder of the week. Regional transmission constraints continued to limit the output of Fremont in both the day-ahead market and real-time operations throughout the week. Duct firing operated for zero hours this week. The plant generated at a 43 percent capacity factor (based on 675 MW rating).

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- Workforce Series: Beyond Rhetoric: Hands-On Workforce Diversity **Feb. 8**
- Governance Series: Understand Board Roles and Responsibilities **Feb. 14**
- Electric Utility 101 Series: Exploring Electric Utility Rules and Regulations **Feb. 22**
- Workforce Series: The High Cost of Low Wages: Why Competitive Pay Matters **March 1**
- Governance Series: Know Your Statutory and Fiduciary Duties **March 7**



Classifieds

City of Clyde to hold civil service examination for certified journeyman-lineman

A civil service examination for the position of Certified Journeyman-Lineman in the City of Clyde, Ohio, will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26, 2018, in the second floor conference room of the Municipal Building at 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio.

Applicants must have completed secondary education or the general education degree (GED) and have one (1) year of on-the-job work experience with high voltage electrical power lines and appurtenances (e.g., transformers, metering equipment, etc.) A copy of certification as a Journeyman-Lineman, along

with a current Commercial Drivers License (CDL) Class (A) is also required with the application. Applicant must be willing to obtain a (CDL) Class (A) by the end of the six (6) month probationary period if they do not have one at time of hiring. In addition, applicant must be willing to live within a reasonable distance of the City of Clyde.

If applicable, Military Discharge Records (DD-214 Form) must also accompany the application.

Applications may be obtained at the Clyde Municipal Building beginning Monday, Jan. 22, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. and be returned no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2018. Register to download applications and instructions for returning all required documents at <http://jobs.clydeohio.org>. EOE/DFWP

City of Bowling Green seeks sustainability coordinator

The City of Bowling Green is seeking applicants for the position of sustainability coordinator. This position will be responsible for citizen educational programs and marketing outreach, as well as advising all department/division heads on sustainability efforts regarding operations, maintenance activities, assets, etc. This position will also coordinate the Storm Water Management Program and complete the annual storm water report.

This position requires a bachelor's degree in science, business, environmental, public administration or other related field, as well as three years of related experience in sustainability. Interested persons must complete the application materials that are available at www.bgohio.org and in the Personnel Department. Resumes may be included, but will not substitute for a completed application. Applications must be completed and returned to the Personnel Department, City of Bowling Green, 304 N Church St., Bowling Green, Ohio 43402. Telephone: 419.354.6200; email: BGPersonnel@bgohio.org. Contact for a copy of the job description.

Office hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The deadline for submitting an application is Jan. 31, 2018, 4:30 p.m. AA/EEO.

Pay range: \$24.28-\$30.34

City of Galion seeks electrical distribution superintendent

The City of Galion is seeking applicants for the position of electrical distribution superintendent. Position responsibilities include:

- Plans, schedules, organizes, assigns, directs and assists with work of supervisory and operational personnel engaged in electrical maintenance activities, including construction and maintenance of power lines, substations, lighting systems, traffic signals, etc.; instructs subordinates; ensures compliance with safety rules, regulations, practices and procedures; inspects work; evaluates performance, disciplines and commends subordinates;
- Prepares short and long range operating and capital budgets, along with justifications; controls expenditures according to adopted budget; designs electrical systems and prepares cost estimates;
- Meets with electrical manufacturers to discuss purchase of products; maintains electrical inventory; supervises ordering of necessary supplies and equipment;
- Conducts staff meetings and programs, participates in resolving departmental problems pertaining to area responsibility;
- Directs the preparation of reports and the maintenance of records of work performed; maintains personal and professional competence and awareness;
- Maintains required licences and certifications; attends professional education and training sessions; performs other duties as assigned.

Requirements include a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering plus two years of experience as electrical distribution superintendent for city electrical department, or any combination of like education and experience, as well as a valid State of Ohio Commercial Driver's License and completion of Certified Apprenticeship Training Course. Position can be physically demanding.

Resumes must be sent to the attention of Nicole Ward before Feb. 15, at 301 Harding Way E., Galion, Ohio 44833. EOE.

City of Piqua seeks journeyman lineworker

Piqua Power System has an immediate opening for an individual skilled in maintenance and installation of high and low voltage power lines; climbing poles or use of bucket truck to work on energized high and low voltage power lines. Applicants must possess Journeyman Certification and a class A CDL. Interested applicants should visit www.piquaoh.org to apply. Information can also be dropped off in person at the City of Piqua building, 201 W. Water St., Piqua, Ohio 45356, or by fax at 937.778.2048. All application materials must be received by Jan. 31, 2018, to Human Resources. EOE.

Pemberville seeking a lineworker

The Village of Pemberville is seeking applicants for the position of electric distribution lineworker. The lineworker and/or apprentice will be responsible for delivering reliable electric service to customers by performing inspections, maintenance, operations and construction work on substations, transmission, distribution and streetlight systems within the village to the level that their training dictates. Having or obtaining a CDL is required, as is mechanical knowledge and knowing how to operate equipment including, but not limited to: bucket truck, digger derrick, backhoe, wood chipper, chain saws and dump truck; with a willingness to follow all current and future safety practices and maintain equipment.

Wage is negotiable. Applications are available on the village [website](#). Please submit a resume and application to the Village of Pemberville, 155 Main St., P.O. Box 109, Pemberville, Ohio 43450, by Jan. 31, 2018.

Montpelier seeking supervisor of administrative services

The Village of Montpelier is taking applications for the position of supervisor of administrative services. The position requires completion of secondary education; minimum of five years of experience in administration and municipal government operations; familiarity with building codes and construction; knowledge of utility systems, ability to examine and interpret blue prints; supervisory training and experience in civil and architectural engineering, including electric, water, wastewater and storm sewer utilities. Will act as the liaison between the village manager and the various village departments. Qualified candidates must possess a valid Ohio driver's license. This is a full-time position with a great benefit package. Application and complete job description may be found online at www.montpelieroh.net/employment_opportunities.html.

Please mail cover letter, resume including references and application to: Village of Montpelier, c/o Kevin Brooks, P.O. Box 148, Montpelier, Ohio 43543. Inquiries should be directed to Kevin Brooks at 419.485.5543. EOE.

Carey seeking two journeymen-linemen

The Village of Carey is seeking applications for two qualified journeymen-linemen with a minimum of four-years experience. The journeyman-lineman role is responsible for operation and routine maintenance of the village transmission, substation and distribution system. Applicant must possess a high school diploma or GED, and a valid class B, CDL license with air brakes or obtain same within six months of hire date. Knowledge of overhead and underground primary distribution lines required. May require pole climbing and operation and use of a bucket truck, digger truck, trencher or other required equipment.

Position requires a 30-minute response time to call out emergencies including: holidays, weekends and standby time in rotation with other department members.

Position requires varied integrated additional duties to include but not limited to: snow removal, tree trimming to clear power lines and other general maintenance duties. Any of the above may require working in inclement weather.

Applications may be obtained at the village offices, 127 N. Vance Street, Carey, Ohio 43316, weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Candidates should return applications with resume and all supporting documentation helpful in consideration of employment to the attention of the Village Administrator. EOE / Drug testing. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.

Pay range \$23.75-\$26.25.

Arcanum seeks water/wastewater operator 1

The Village of Arcanum Utility Department is now accepting applications to fill a vacancy for water/wastewater operator 1. Duties include operating and maintaining electrical generation facilities, monitoring water/sewer facilities, and performing physical labor within the utility department as needed.

Requirements include a high school education, Water Supply License and Wastewater Works License 1, a valid Ohio driver's license, and must possess a class B CDL endorsement or obtain within six months of employment.

Applications are available at the City Building located at 104 W. South St., Arcanum, Ohio, 45304 or www.villageofarcanum.com. Job applications are not kept on file beyond six months, so any previous applicants are encouraged to re-apply. EOE.

Lineworker position available in Bradner

The Village of Bradner is seeking a qualified full-time electrical line utility worker; responsible for operation and routine maintenance of the village electrical distribution system.

Must possess a high school diploma or GED and a valid class B, CDL license with air brake, or obtain six months after hire date. Knowledge of overhead distribution lines and underground primary distribution lines required - water and wastewater experience helpful. May require pole climbing and operation and use of bucket truck. Position requires response within 30-minute time period to call-out emergencies, and 24/7 carry of village-issued cell phone for troubleshooting and emergencies, including holidays and weekends.

Position requires various duties to include but not limited to: water distribution repairs, assist in wastewater treatment plant, tree trimming power lines, road maintenance and snow removal, park and pool maintenance, lawn care and other general maintenance as required. Above duties will require working in all weather conditions. Twice monthly Board meeting attendance is also required.

Applications may be obtained at the Town Hall (located at 130 N. Main St., Bradner, Ohio 43406) on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. or at www.bradnerohio.org. Candidates should return applications with résumé and supporting documentation that would be helpful for consideration of employment to the attention of James Smith, Board of Public Affairs President. They can also be mailed to P.O. Box 599, Bradner, Ohio, 43406, or emailed to kkaminski@bradnerohio.org.

Bryan Municipal Utilities seeks engineering assistant

Bryan Municipal Utilities is currently accepting applications for an engineering assistant. Duties include designing, planning and project management for electric, water and communication system projects. Position also assists in maintaining Geographic Information's Systems (GIS) and gather GPS point acquisitions for Bryan Municipal Utilities infrastructure.

Bryan Municipal Utilities is a customer-owned, non-profit municipal utility providing the best quality water, electric and communications services to the residents of Bryan, Ohio. Bryan Municipal Utilities began over 100 years ago with the establishment of the Bryan waterworks in 1892. Electric service was added in 1896 when the residents of Bryan voted to create their own electric company. Communications services

were added in 1998 to provide Bryan with a fiber optic system designed to provide television, internet access and data transfer.

A job description with qualifications may be downloaded from www.cityofbryan.net.

Please submit resume by Jan. 29, 2018, to Bryan Municipal Utilities, 841 E. Edgerton St, Bryan, Ohio 43506; or email to humanresources@cityofbryan.com. EOE

Napoleon seeks staff engineer/licensed staff engineer

The City of Napoleon is currently accepting applications for the position of staff engineer/licensed staff engineer. This position is primarily from an accredited engineering school of recognized standing, with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (B.S.C.E.) or related field required. Applicants must also possess or be able to obtain within one year, a Fundamentals of Engineering (F.E.) or Engineer in Training (E.I.T.) certificate, or a Professional Engineer (P.E.) license.

A valid state of Ohio driver's license is required. Applications may be obtained beginning Monday, Jan. 15, 2018, between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. from the City of Napoleon's Administration building at 255 W. Riverview Ave., P.O. Box 151, Napoleon, Ohio 43545, or from the city website at www.napoleonohio.com. A properly completed and notarized application must be returned to the above address by 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018, in order to be considered. Applications submitted without following the above requirements will not be considered for employment. EOE

Opportunities available at AMP

AMP is seeking applicants for the following positions:

Intern - public relations and communications

Intern - information systems

For complete job descriptions, please visit the "careers" section of the [AMP website](#).

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Special Bulletin: SMALL CELL WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE BILL INTRODUCED

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Special Bulletin

January 23, 2018

SMALL CELL WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE BILL INTRODUCED

After nearly four months of meetings, discussion and hard work, the legislature has introduced a bill that would govern the implementation of small cell wireless infrastructure in a municipality's right-of-way. As many will recall, SB 331 (Sen. Peterson's "Petland" bill) was passed during last General Assembly's lame duck session and included an amendment sharply curtailing municipality's Home Rule rights to manage the deployment of small cell wireless infrastructure in their right-of-way. Several municipalities challenged the provision in court, resulting in several judges granting injunctions that cited the provision's violation of the Constitution's single-subject rule.

The Ohio Municipal League, along with a coalition of multiple municipal leadership groups and individuals representing municipalities large and small, was approached by Ohio House Speaker Cliff Rosenberger to join conversations with representatives from wireless telecommunication companies that operate in Ohio to work on new legislation both parties could live with. The exercise was geared to address objections brought forth by Ohio municipalities across the state concerning the small cell infrastructure language in SB 331 while ensuring a level of predictability for the telecommunication companies as new technology is deployed throughout the state. The League is grateful for the opportunity to work with the industries' interested parties and our extremely talented delegation of municipal officials as the compromise language was hammered out through a spirit of cooperation and transparency.

Attached is the most recent draft version of the language assembled by LSC [HERE](#) in addition to a Memorandum [HERE](#) from Lindsay Miller of IceMiller law firm outlining authorities being granted municipalities in the bill and the restrictions placed upon cities and villages when administrating the installation of the telecommunications infrastructure. In general, the legislation contains both "wins" and compromises for both coalitions while neither side received everything that was asked for.

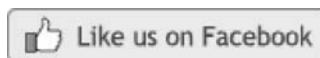
The bill will be formally introduced today and committee hearings have already been scheduled for this week in the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee. So far, the yet-to-be-introduced bill will receive a sponsor's hearing today in Hearing Room

313 at 1:00 pm, and a proponent hearing tomorrow at 2:30 pm in the same hearing room. As you will notice, the bill appears to be on a "fast track" to swift passage, at least in the Ohio House but we expect the Senate to act on the proposal in a timely manner also when they receive it.

If any of our members would like to testify on behalf of the bill, please contact OML Director of Communications Ashley Brewster at abrewster@omlohio.org to receive assistance with coordination and details concerning testifying.

The League wants to extend our gratitude to the many organizations on both sides working many long hours to achieve a bill that both Ohio's municipalities and the "big four" wireless service providers can move forward with. We thank the Ohio House Speaker Rosenberger and his staff for their leadership in bringing the parties together to address concerns and to work towards solutions.

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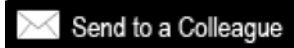
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Legislative Bulletin

January 26, 2018

OML-UPDATE-AT-A-GLANCE

Here are the top three things you need to know this week:

- Ohio along with Michigan, Pennsylvania, Illinois, West Virginia, New York, Rhode Island and Alabama are all projected to lose a congressional seat after the 2020 census. Texas will add three and Florida two new congressional seats. Ohio will be reduced to 15 seats from a high of 24 in 1970.
- Senate President Obhof (R - Medina) has predicted that the upcoming capital budget bill will authorize up to 10% less than 2016's allocated \$2.6 billion.
- Governor Kasich has appointed Justice Bill O'Neill's replacement to the Ohio Supreme Court: Seventh District Court of Appeals Judge Mary DeGenaro. Justice O'Neill is currently running for governor.

HOUSE HEARS PROPONENT TESTIMONY ON SMALL CELL LEGISLATION

As you may have read in our special bulletin earlier this week, the Ohio legislature has introduced a bill that would govern the implementation of small cell wireless infrastructure in a municipality's right-of-way.

HB 478, which is being sponsored by Rep. Sarah LaTourette (R - Chesterland) and Rep. Smith (R - Bidwell) is a product of several months of meetings prompted first by the passage of SB 331 during last General Assembly's lame duck session, and second by multiple injunctions granted against the provision when it was challenged in court. Per the invitation of House Speaker Rosenberger, the Ohio Municipal League, a coalition of multiple municipal leadership groups and representatives from multiple municipalities worked with representatives from the wireless telecommunication companies operating in Ohio to arrive on this legislation as introduced. You can read the text of the bill [HERE](#)

The bill outlines the authorities granted to municipalities and the restrictions placed upon cities and villages when administering the installation of the

telecommunications infrastructure. In general, the legislation contains both "wins" and compromises for both coalitions, while neither side received everything that was asked for. "Some may characterize this condition as a sign of good legislation," said Executive Director Kent Scarrett in his proponent testimony before the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee this week. You can read his testimony in full [HERE](#). For a list of major provisions within the bill, click [HERE](#).

HOUSE COMMITTEE HOLDS SECOND HEARING ON SICK DAY PREEMPTION BILL

This past week, the House State and Local Government Committee heard proponent testimony on HB 298, which would curtail the number of allotted sick days for local government employees from 15 days to 10 days per year. No witnesses testified in support of the bill.

If passed, HB 298, sponsored by Rep. Merrin (R - Monclova Township) would be a continued assault on municipal Home Rule. Employee compensation decisions are best left to the community that employs the workers in question. Local leaders - those who have personal relationships with their employees - are best equipped to understand the needs of their own workers and offices and thus are best poised to make decisions regarding the amount of sick leave allotted to their employees.

Allowing municipalities to grant local employees up to 15 days of sick leave gives local leaders the ability to determine the best compensation package for their employees - which includes local government employees exchanging pay for more sick days. This provides local governments the tools they need to better meet the needs of employees who live with chronic health issues. Many municipalities don't want sick days capped at 10 days - they want the ability to determine the best employee compensation plans for their communities.

If you are interested in testifying against this bill in the event it receives further hearings, contact OML Director of Communications Ashley Brewster at abrewster@omlohio.org.

BILLS OF MUNICIPAL INTEREST HEARD IN COMMITTEE THIS WEEK

Here is a recap of all the bills impacting municipalities that received committee hearings this week:

- **HB 415 - LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.** This bill, sponsored by Rep. Greenspan (R - Westlake), would allocate one-half of any surplus revenue to a new Local Government Road Improvement Fund, from which money will be distributed directly to local governments to fund road improvements. During its second hearing before the House State and Local Government Committee, a substitute bill was introduced that clarified the definition of "political subdivision" to include counties, townships, cities and villages; clarified the fund distribution process, changed the distribution criteria to center lane miles; and added a provision mandating that in the event 10% or more of the Budget Stabilization Fund is depleted, the first \$250 million of the surplus will go back into the fund. The League's Executive Director Kent Scarrett submitted written proponent testimony supporting the bill for allocating much-needed funds for critical road infrastructure improvements. You can read his testimony in full [HERE](#).

- **HB 281 - BROADBAND EXPANSION.** Sponsored by Rep. Carfagna (R - Genoa Township), this bill would establish the residential broadband expansion program within the Development Services Agency to award matching grants for last mile broadband expansion in municipal corporations and townships as well as make an appropriation. A substitute bill was accepted that, among other changes, allows local governments filling funding gaps do so without getting county approval; allows "trade secret" redaction; creates a "challenge process" for requests with a five-day window where providers can question proposal guidelines; removes pricing and rates regulation; allows alternate payment terms to replace a mandate that no provider will receive full pay until project completion; clarifies provider responsibility for infrastructure upkeep; and clarifies only specific broadband projects will receive the assessments the bill provides. The bill passed out of House Finance Committee with two dissenting votes. The League is supportive of this bill.
- **HB 351 - MILITARY TAX EXEMPTION.** Sponsored by Rep. Perales (R - Beavercreek) and Rep. Butler (R - Oakwood), this bill requires municipal corporations to exempt from taxation the military pay of members of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Public Health Service. There was no testimony given during its third hearing before the House Ways and Means Committee. The League is neutral on this bill.
- **HB 410 - TRAFFIC CAMERAS.** Sponsored by Rep. Seitz (R - Cincinnati), this bill would grant municipal and county courts original and exclusive jurisdiction over any civil action concerning a traffic law violation, specify that the court require an advance deposit for the filing of specified civil actions by the local authority bringing the civil action, and modify the reporting requirements and LGF withholding that apply to subdivisions that operate traffic law photo-monitoring devices. For its third hearing before the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee, Executive Director Kent Scarrett submitted opposition testimony on the bill, citing its intent to punish municipalities for exercising their Home Rule rights by stripping them of LGF dollars in the amount of revenue generated by the use of traffic cameras. You can read his testimony in full [HERE](#).
- **HB 422 - WATER/SEWER ACQUISITIONS.** This bill, sponsored by Rep. Ginter (R - Salem) and Rep. Rogers (D - Mentor-On-The-Lake), would govern the acquisition of municipal water-works and sewage disposal system companies by certain larger nonmunicipal water-works or sewage disposal system companies. During its third hearing before the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the Ohio Consumers' Council offered opponent testimony due to concerns regarding ratemaking. The League is supportive of this bill.
- **HB 382 - UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.** This bill, sponsored by Rep. Schuring (R - Canton), would modify terms describing payments made under the Unemployment Compensation Law, to increase the amount of wages subject to unemployment compensation premiums, require qualifying employees to make

payments to the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund, allow the Director of Job and Family Services to adjust maximum weekly benefit amounts, reduce the maximum number of benefit weeks, and make other changes to the Unemployment Compensation Law. During its tenth hearing before the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee, no testimony was given. The League is neutral on this bill.

- **SB 127 - WASTE COLLECTION VEHICLES.** Sponsored by Rep. LaRose (R - Hudson), this bill would require motor vehicle operators to take certain actions upon approaching a stationary waste collection vehicle collecting refuse on a roadside. During its first hearing before the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee, Rep. LaRose explained the bill would extend existing "move-over" protection in state law to stationary waste collection vehicles. The League is supportive of this bill.
- **HB 314 - SAFETY TAX CREDIT.** Sponsored by Rep. Schaffer (R - Lancaster), this bill would allow an income tax credit for law enforcement officials who purchase safety or protective items to be used in the course of official law enforcement activities. During its first hearing before the House State and Local Government Committee, Rep. Schaffer explained his bill would grant an annual personal income tax credit of up to \$500 for law enforcement offices to purchase safety and protective gear. The League is interested party on this bill.

NEW LEGISLATION OF MUNICIPAL INTEREST INTRODUCED

In addition to HB 478, the small cell wireless infrastructure bill, here is another bill impacting municipalities that was introduced this week:

- **HB 473 - LOCAL FUNDING.** Sponsored by Rep. Young (R - Leroy Township), this bill would credit additional amounts to the Local Government Fund to provide for payment to fire districts that experienced a 30% or more decrease in the taxable value of power plants located in the districts between 2016 and 2017 and to increase the appropriation to the Local Government Fund. The League is supportive of this bill.

OHIO FIRE CODE TRAINING DATES RELEASED

The Ohio Department of Commerce's Division of State Fire Marshal will be holding a series of six, day-long, free training courses throughout the state regarding the new 2017 Ohio Fire Code (OFC), which became effective December 15, 2017.

These courses will be open to the public and will focus on new code enforcement processes, updated special provisions of the OFC and important national model code changes that are incorporated into the 2017 OFC. The live, interactive seminars will

begin at 9:00 a.m. (with registration beginning at 8:00 a.m.) and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. as follows:

Central: Wednesday, March 14, 2018
Division of State Fire Marshal
Multipurpose Room
8895 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Northwest: Tuesday, March 20, 2018
Owens Community College, Findlay Campus
Multipurpose Room (117)
3200 Bright Road
Findlay, OH 45840

Southeast: Thursday, March 22, 2018
Hocking College, Nelsonville Campus
Student Center Multiplex
3301 Hocking Parkway
Nelsonville, OH 45764

Northeast: Tuesday, March 27, 2018
Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) - Parma
Western Campus Theater
1100 Pleasant Valley Road
Parma, OH 44130

Southwest: Thursday, March 29, 2018
Miami University, Middletown Campus
Dave Finkelman Auditorium
4200 North University Boulevard
Middletown, OH 45042

Central: Friday, April 13, 2018
Division of State Fire Marshal
Multipurpose Room
8895 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Each day-long seminar will cover the same content; there is no need to attend multiple sessions unless an attendee wishes to do so. Online training mirroring these courses will be available mid- to late spring 2018, and will be posted on the Ohio Fire Academy's 24/7 platform. To register or to find out more information, please visit <http://www.com.ohio.gov/fire/>.

OHIO VETERANS HALL OF FAME SEEKS ELECTED OFFICIALS TO MAKE NOMINATIONS

The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame is looking to connect with elected officials at all levels of the state in order to raise awareness and encourage nominations of deserving veterans

throughout the state.

The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame recognizes the efforts of Ohio's distinguished men and women who have worn the uniform of our nation's armed forces and then continued to contribute to their communities, state and nation through exceptional acts of volunteerism, advocacy, professional distinction, public service and philanthropy.

The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame includes captains of industry, professional educators, political champions and civic supporters. Our honorees include some of Ohio's most recognized citizens including astronaut Neil Armstrong, actor Paul Newman, business entrepreneur and philanthropist R. David Thomas, and surgeon and inventor Dr. Henry Heimlich.

The program is not intended to focus on what Ohio military members accomplished while in uniform but rather what has occurred in their lives outside of and beyond their military service.

Selection and induction into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame is a great honor and the program sets the standard for recognizing the selfless contributions of Ohio's military veterans. You can find out more information [HERE](#).

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ANNOUNCES LITTER SUMMIT

The Ohio Department of Transportation has announced its Central Ohio Litter Summit, which will take place on Tuesday, February 6th from 8:30am to 4pm at 1980 W Broad St., Columbus 43223.

Litter is a persistent and preventable problem, and one that knows no boundaries; it affects neighborhoods, communities, local roads and highway corridors. Since 2007, The Ohio Department of Transportation has collected 3.7 million bags of trash statewide along state, US, and interstate highways costing taxpayers \$37 million. Unfortunately, litter is back as soon as it is picked up.

ODOT recognizes communities, citizens, law enforcement, businesses and leaders are frustrated with Ohio's litter problem and is working with its litter partners to find a solution. This free summit is a joint effort between ODOT, Keep Ohio Beautiful, Keep Columbus Beautiful, the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio, the Franklin County Environmental Court, the Franklin County Environmental Crimes Task Force, Keep Grove City Beautiful, and Keep Reynoldsburg Beautiful.

The summit will bring together litter stakeholders to identify litter pickup and prevention programs, available resources and litter hot spots; learn about national litter research; hear case studies and best management practices; and leave with educational resources and action items. Following the summit, ODOT will develop a "Findings and Recommendations" document to give to participants.

For more information, contact Joel Hunt, Ohio Department of Transportation, Highway Beautification and Pollinator Habitat Program at 614-466-7173 or by email

at Joel.Hunt@dot.ohio.gov. Registration can be completed [HERE](#). Space is limited, so register early!

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2018

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Tue., Jan. 30, 2018, 10:00 AM, Hearing Room 116

Rep. Hill: 614-644-6014

HB175** LIVESTOCK ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY (BRINKMAN T) To allow an owner of residential property to keep, harbor, breed, or maintain small livestock on the property, and to prohibit zoning authorities from regulating certain agricultural activities conducted on residential property for noncommercial purposes.

Second Hearing, Proponent Testimony

SENATE FINANCE

Tue., Jan. 30, 2018, 2:30 PM, Senate Finance Hearing Room

Sen. Oelslager: 614-466-0626

OR AFTER SESSION

Governor's appointments:

- Michael Waleryszak and Roberto Miller to Terra State Community College Board of Trustees
- Ronald Brown to University of Cincinnati Board of Trustees

HB168** CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND REGISTRATION (STEIN D) To modify duties of the Division of Real Estate in the Department of Commerce regarding cemetery registration, to specify cemetery owners must reasonably maintain cemeteries, to establish the Cemetery Grant Program, and to make an appropriation.

Second Hearing, Proponent Testimony

HB251** BOND AND OBLIGATION MATURATION (GREENSPAN D) To increase from five to ten years the maturity period of other political subdivision's bonds and obligations eligible for investment of a subdivision's interim moneys.

Second Hearing, Proponent Testimony, AMENDMENTS

SENATE JUDICIARY

Tue., Jan. 30, 2018, 3:00 PM, North Hearing Room

Sen. Bacon: 614-466-8064

OR AFTER SESSION

HB38** CRIMINAL OFFENSES-VIOLENCE (GREENSPAN D) To provide that purposely causing the death of a first responder or military member is aggravated murder and to require an offender to serve the prison term imposed for felonious assault on a peace officer, investigator, first responder, or military member consecutively to the prison term imposed for any related offense.

Third Hearing, All Testimony, POSSIBLE VOTE

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

HOUSE FEDERALISM AND INTERSTATE RELATIONS

Wed., Jan. 31, 2018, 2:30 PM, Hearing Room 115

Rep. Roegner: 614-466-1177

HB395** FIREARM DEVICES-PROHIBITIONS (PATMON B) To prohibit the manufacture, sale, or transfer of any trigger crank, bump-fire device, or other product that accelerates a semi-automatic firearm's rate of fire but does not convert it into an automatic firearm.

First Hearing, Sponsor Testimony

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE MONDAY FOR ANY CHANGES TO THE
COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**

Up Coming Meetings & Events

Mayor's Court Initial Training Program	January FULL February 14 & 15	<u>Registration Information</u>
Newly Elected Council Training Seminars	February 24, March 3 & 24	<u>Registration Information</u>

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Kent Scarrett, Executive Director

Edward Albright, Deputy Director

Ashley Brewster, Director of Communications

Rachel Massoud, Legislative Advocate

Website/Bulletin Issues:

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