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*Honoring the Past -
Welcoming the Future*

Dear Residents:

Happy New Year! First, I would like to congratulate Council Members Jeffrey Adie and Larry Sylver (Ward 1) Anthony DeCarlo and Barbara DiBacco (Ward 2), Don Banas and Gurvis Smith (Ward 3) on their re-election. It is a pleasure and a privilege to serve with such a professional and supportive group who willingly give their time and commitment to the Village.



Mayor Mark A. Cegelka

As we begin another new year we are already working on many exciting projects and making plans. First, we are excited to announce the completion of our new Municipal Service Center Complex. The Service Department has been busy moving equipment, supplies and vehicles into the new facility. The 20,500 sq. foot building allows us to store all of the equipment and vehicles in one space and is home to the new Service Director's office. Watch for our grand opening in the spring!

With pickleball becoming increasingly popular, we are excited about the new addition of two pickleball courts located behind Village Town Centre. Grading and asphalt for the courts was completed in the fall. Surfacing of the courts, installation of fencing and the addition of a walkway will be completed this spring/summer.

We are always looking for ways to improve or add to our public spaces and parks. We are happy to have the addition of a new .35-mile walking path, the Tinker's Creek Trail North. The trail connector starts on Richmond Road where it will connect to the Cleveland Metroparks Hawthorn Parkway entrance along Tinker's Creek and loop back to Richmond Rd. The Village was awarded a grant in the amount of \$352,250 from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Clean Ohio Trail fund for this project.

The recreation Committee is busy putting the Summer Concert Series together and planning the Easter Egg Hunt and Movie in the Park. Find more information about the events being planned in this edition of the newsletter and be sure to check our website for updated information @ www.glenwillow-oh.gov

It is the very important to myself and Council to maintain and enhance the quality of life for all residents. As elected officials we are responsible for making decisions that affect not only you, our residents, but also our business community. We are committed to keeping Glenwillow thriving and offering a positive, friendly environment for everyone. Your input and feedback are beneficial in understanding the needs and concerns of our residents. It is an honor to serve as your Mayor. Please contact me if you have any questions, comments or ideas.

Sincerely,
Mark A. Cegelka
Mark A. Cegelka, Mayor



GLENWILLOW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Village of Glenwillow is pleased to offer scholarships to our students who reside in Glenwillow and graduate from Solon Public Schools or Private Schools. This money is donated from companies who have opened businesses in the Village with the assistance of various tax incentives that we are authorized to offer. This money is set aside for the scholarship program created by Village Council many years ago. Each year, the Village and a representative from the Solon Schools review the tax incentives to ensure compliance with the program. Village Council established the scholarship program to help the youth of our community.

Students who have graduated from High School while living in Glenwillow for at least one year will be awarded \$250.00 per year with the maximum amount of \$1,000.00. Students must attend a 2-year or 4-year accredited college or university in order to be eligible. Applications will be sent out in March to graduating seniors.

If you are graduating and do not receive an application, please contact Lori at Village Hall: 440-232-8788 or email lpepera@glenwillow-oh.gov





COUNCIL COMMITTEE

FOR 2024, COUNCIL COMMITTEES ARE:

Budget/Finance: Chair-Don Banas, Jeff Adie and Barb DiBacco.

Personnel: Chair-Jeff Adie, Chair; Don Banas and Barb DiBacco.

Safety: Chair-Barb DiBacco, Jeff Adie and Gurvis Smith.

Infrastructure/Capital Improvements:

Chair-Don Banas, Anthony DeCarlo and Larry Sylver.

Building/Housing: Chair-Gurvis Smith, Larry Sylver and Anthony DeCarlo.

Recreation: Chair-Larry Sylver and Gurvis Smith.

Service Department: Chair-Anthony DeCarlo, Larry Sylver and Gurvis Smith.

Council meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Check the website for meeting updates.

The Planning Commission and Architectural Review Board meet every third Wednesday of each month starting at 5:30 pm. The purpose of these Boards is to promote the orderly and harmonious development of the Village while ensuring the level of quality of all constructed projects. The Boards are made up of five members each.

**Planning Commission
begins at 5:30 PM.**

**Architectural Board of Review
begins at 6:00 PM.**

Planning Commission Members:

Architectural Board of Review Members:

Tim Haupert

Mayor Cegelka

Chairman

Chairman

Jeff Adie

Barb DiBacco

Council Representative

Council Representative

Scott McColl

Tim Haupert

Citizen Representative

Planning Commission Representative

Neil DeCarlo

Jerry Eisen

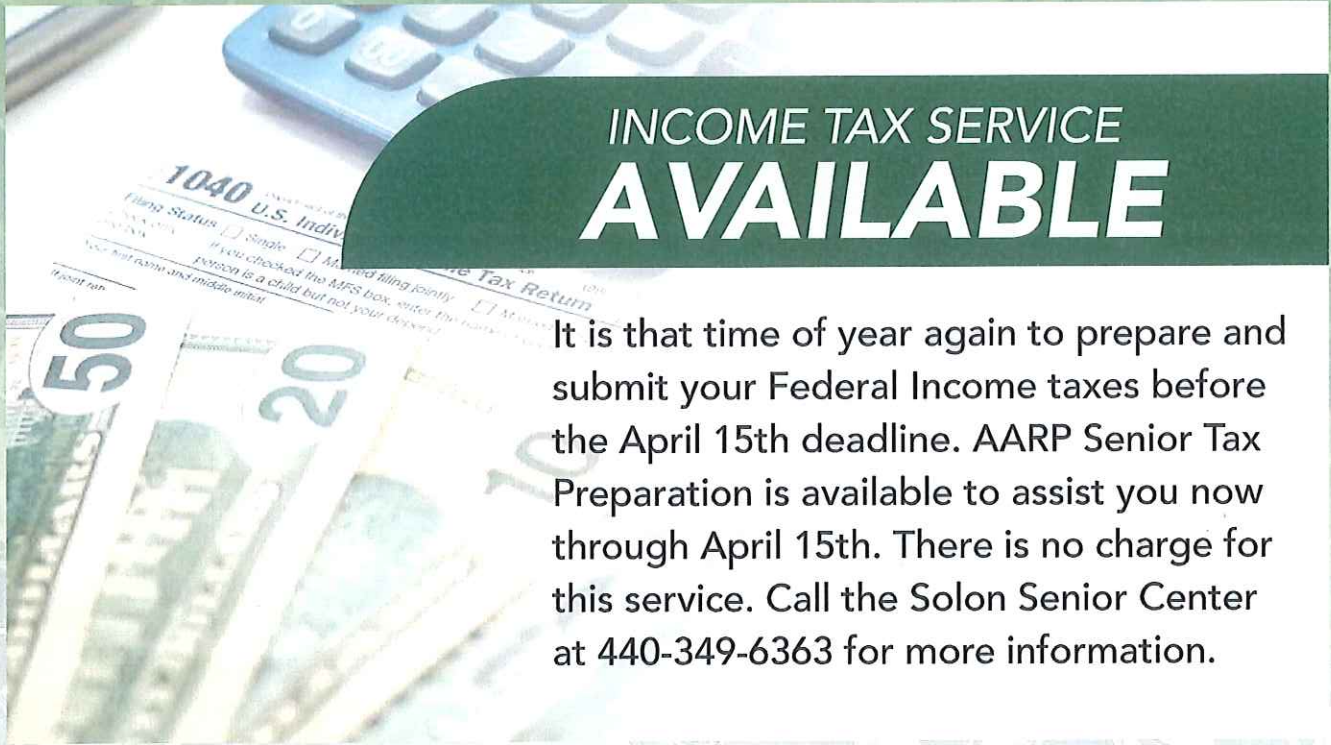
Citizen Representative

Public Representative

Mayor Cegelka

Roberto Pinedo

Architect



INCOME TAX SERVICE **AVAILABLE**

It is that time of year again to prepare and submit your Federal Income taxes before the April 15th deadline. AARP Senior Tax Preparation is available to assist you now through April 15th. There is no charge for this service. Call the Solon Senior Center at 440-349-6363 for more information.

Community Gardens

Our popular community garden is back. It is conveniently located at 28875 Pettibone Road. Join your neighbors to grow some fresh food and have some fun! The Service Department will see that each plot of land is tilled initially and then each participating resident will be responsible for planting, watering, weeding, and harvesting the crops.

To reserve a plot or if you would like more information, please call:
Lori at Village Hall at 440-232-8788
or email lpepera@glenwillow-oh.gov





**FREE
EVENT!**

EASTER EGG *Hunt*

Saturday, March 30th, 2024 @ 12:00pm
At the Donald Norman Payne
Recreation Complex

3 DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS:
0-3 • 4-6 • 7-10

With a special appearance from
The Easter Bunny!

BRING YOUR OWN BASKETS/BAGS TO GATHER EGGS!



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2024

The Recreation Committee is busy scheduling the summer concerts in the park. Concerts are a great way to connect with your neighbors and friends. The first concert is scheduled for June 9th. The concerts will run every other Sunday through August and are held behind Village Hall at the Avery Lake gazebo. Save these dates and bring a blanket or lawn chair and listen to some great music!

June 9th • June 23rd • July 7th • July 21st • August 4th • August 18th

Plans have also begun for the "Movie in the Park" to be held August 3rd. A family friendly movie will be featured on a giant inflatable screen with fun activities for kids of all ages being planned.

The Community-Wide Garage Sale will be held August 17th.



SAVE THE DATE

Community Shred Event, Computer Round up & Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Residents can drop off paper shredding and old computers and equipment.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27th

28555 Pettibone Road (The New Service Center)

The shredding truck will be located in the parking lot
from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

The Village Service Department will be on hand to help unload boxes or bags to be shredded or to unload your computers.

HOUSEHOLD MATERIALS ACCEPTED

- Oil or solvent-based paint, sealers, primers, or coatings (aerosols or liquids)
- Varnishes, polyurethanes, shellacs
- Paint thinner, mineral spirits, turpentine
- Pesticides, herbicides, fungicides
- Caustic household cleaners
- Pool chemicals
- Automotive fluids, motor oil, car batteries
- Adhesives, roof tar, driveway sealer
- Kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid

ACCEPTABLE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

- Computers - Desktops, Towers, Laptops
- Computer Monitors - LCD and CRT
- Computer Components - Hard Drives, Circuit Boards, etc.
- Computer Peripherals - Keyboards, Mice, USB Drives, Speakers, Cables, Cords, etc.
- Printers - Laser and Ink Jet, Toner and Ink Cartridges
- General Office Equipment - Scanners, Fax Machines, Paper Shredders, etc.
- Phones-Cell Phones, Smart Phones

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED AT THIS COLLECTION

- Latex paint
- Explosives, gun powder, ammunition, flares
- Medical waste, pharmaceuticals, medicine, sharps
- Radioactive waste (i.e., smoke detectors)
- Propane Tanks
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Batteries
- Business or commercial waste



NON-ACCEPTABLE EQUIPMENT

- NO Televisions
- NO Household Appliances - Toasters, Blenders, Vacuums, Refrigerators, Coffee Makers, etc.
- NO Items Containing Liquid Mercury - Thermometers, Thermostats, etc.



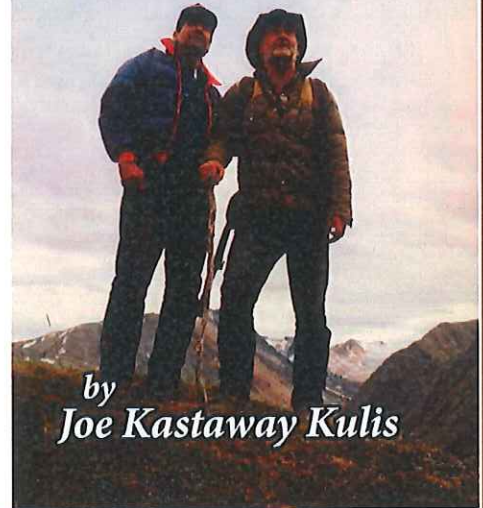
Congratulations To Resident Joe Kulis

Tales from the Trails, The Real Life Adventures of Kastaway Kulis is a book written by resident Joe Kulis. Joe is great outdoor adventurer and hunter. He has written a book sharing some of his many travels around the world hunting and fishing. Congratulations Joe on the writing of your book and all of your adventures!

The book can be purchased on Amazon, eBay, Etsy and at www.kastaway.com.

Tales from the Trails

*The Real Life Adventures
of Kastaway Kulis*



by
Joe Kastaway Kulis

Congratulations To Resident Karen David

We are delighted to let you know resident Karen David has published a book! This is a fantastic accomplishment, and we would like to congratulate her on her achievement. The book is called *Stepping Stones for your Spirit: Tales of Turning Points, Hope and Healing*. It is a compilation of short stories of transformation and hope. Congratulations Karen!



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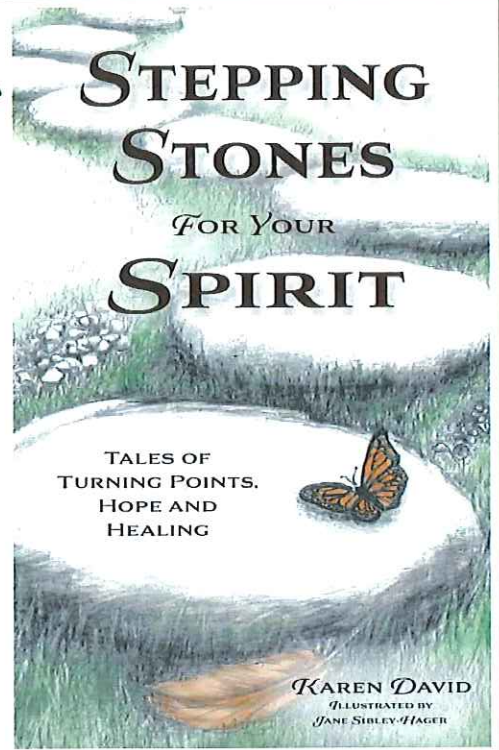
To check out "Stepping Stones For Your Spirit" or purchase on Amazon

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KAREN DAVID
ILLUSTRATED BY
JANE SIBLEY HAGER



DON'T GET SCAMMED - ONLINE SHOPPING TIPS

Avoid Scam Sites

- Don't mistake Pinterest, Instagram or other social media "likes" for a review of the company's performance. Some people who share or like product photos may not have made purchases.
- Know that "sponsored" ads and posts on social media are ads paid for by the company. These generally are not vetted by social media sites, and scams are common.
- Do not click links in promotions sent through social media messaging services, which are unpoliced and rife with scams. Clicking infected links can download malware onto your device.
- Before you order from a site that's new to you, check to see how it treated other customers. Look at ratings and complaints on sites like bbb.org or Yelp, or conduct a web search of the company or product name with words like "complain," "scam" or "rip off."

Avoid Complicated Return Policies

- Read the return policy carefully before you buy. Under Ohio law, stores can set their own return policies, including not allowing returns at all. If stores restrict refunds, they have to tell you that before you buy.
- Consider shopping elsewhere if a site's return policies are vague, involve complicated steps, or require you to send returns overseas at your expense. Avoid stores that only issue refunds as store credits if you aren't familiar with the store or the quality of its merchandise.
- Pay close attention to the time you have to make a return. For example, a very short return window might make returns difficult.
- Find out if the store charges restocking fees, especially for pricey items or electronics.

Paying

- Use credit cards — not debit cards or payment apps — for online purchases. Credit cards have protections that debit cards don't if a site delivers substandard goods.
- Save shopping and delivery receipts. Some stores limit refunds if you don't have a receipt. Keep screenshots of order confirmations in an album or create an email folder for receipts — make sure they're where you can find them if there's a problem.



DON'T GET SCAMMED - ONLINE SHOPPING TIPS

Guard your Information

- Consider paying as a "guest," rather than creating an online account, to avoid having your payment info stored on sites, especially if you don't shop the site often.
- Keep your operating software updated to protect your device. Get tips and step-by-step guides from our Internet Safety site, which you can visit by scanning the QR code here:
- Read privacy policies before you download shopping or other apps.
- Log out of sites and apps when you're done with your transaction.



Dealing with Problems

- Under Ohio law, companies have to deliver your products within eight weeks of taking your payment unless you agree to a delay.
- Even if stores don't allow returns, you have the right to return defective merchandise that wasn't marked "as is."
- As soon as you receive your order, examine the contents to make sure you received everything.
- Check electronics and similar devices to make sure they work, even if you aren't planning to use them right away.

SIGN UP FOR SCAM SQUAD ALERTS

Scams change fast. Get the information you need to protect your loved ones by signing up for Scam Squad Alerts on ReadyNotify.

The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs and its Scam Squad partners issue new alerts every four to six weeks to help you spot and avoid scams. These free alerts are delivered through your choice of phone, text or email. To sign up online, visit readynotify.us, select "managed account" and then select Scam Squad Alerts. You may also Visit the Glenwillow website and click the ReadyNotify link on the home page to register. You may also call Consumer Affairs at 216-443-7035.





SPECIAL DELIVERY

Santa made his way through Glenwillow on a fire truck on December 17th to make a surprise visit. He stopped at more than 20 homes and delivered more than 63 gifts to children throughout the Village. Thank you to all who participated and to the Oakwood Fire Department for help making this special event possible.





TAX SEASON IS HERE!

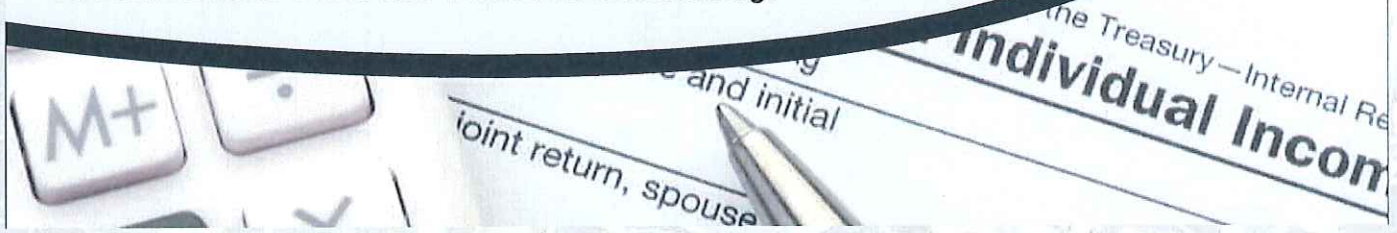
LOCAL INCOME TAX-FILING DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2024

The Village of Glenwillow has a 2% income tax. All persons over 18 years of age working in the Village of Glenwillow and all business entities doing business in the Village are subject to the local income tax.

Glenwillow residents are granted 100% credit up to 2%, for municipal tax withheld or paid to another municipality.

All residents over 18 years of age must file an annual return whether tax is owed or not.

R.I.T.A. tax filing deadlines are the same as the Federal and State taxes-April 15, 2024. For more information about our income tax, please contact R.I.T.A. at 440-526-0900 or 1-800-860-7482 or at www.rita.org.



Thank You

Thank you to the residents and employees in the Village and members of the Odd Fellows Camp for the generous donations of food and miscellaneous incidental items. This year was our biggest collection yet! Because of your generosity and kindness, we were able to provide food to those in need in our Village and bring them some holiday cheer. The Village is blessed to have so many wonderful individuals. Thank you for your support.



HERITAGE HOME PROGRAM



The Village of Glenwillow is now participating in the Heritage Home Program (HHP) of the Cleveland Restoration Society (CRS). This program provides owners of homes that are over 50 years old with access to guidance and low-cost financing for home improvement and maintenance projects. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of this wonderful program that is available to you.

First, the Heritage Home Program provides free Technical Assistance for home repair and maintenance projects. The Technical Assistance and advice offered by the Heritage Home Program is free, impartial and independent. CRS does not have any products or services that it sells to the homeowners and does not charge the homeowner for advice.

Technical Assistance includes:

- Site Visits to your home to assess projects and provide feedback
- Advice on repair, remodeling, and maintenance as well as compatible additions
- Assistance finding contractors and evaluation of contractor estimates
- Impartial product and service reviews
- Color consultations for exterior painting

The Heritage Home Program also offers low-interest equity loans for home improvement projects. At fixed-rates as low as 2%, these loans are made by local banks to homeowners for interior and exterior improvements. Homeowners should contact the Heritage Home Program to learn more.

You can get additional information by calling 216-426-3116, or online at www.heritagehomeprogram.org. Please join a free information sessions and learn about the Heritage Home Program resources now available! Presentations are available both in person and virtually.

In Person Presentation:

General Information Session – April 10th 6:00pm
Solon Community Center
35000 Portz Parkway, Solon, Ohio 44139

To register for any presentation or to sign up for email announcements of all upcoming HHP presentations, please visit the website or call the HHP staff at 216-426-3116.

If you are planning any home repair or maintenance projects, and your home is more than 50 years old, you can take advantage of this **FREE** program.



Cuyahoga SWCD Native Plant Kit sale

Each kit contains 50 native plant plugs (5 of each species unless indicated)

PRAIRIE WILDFLOWER

- Blazing Star
- Blue Wild Indigo
- Broad-leaved Purple Coneflower
- Butterfly Milkweed - 2
- Foxglove Beardtongue
- Little Bluestem
- Purple Prairie Clover
- Sand Coreopsis
- Showy Black-Eyed Susan
- Smooth Aster - 3
- Stiff Goldenrod

RAIN GARDEN

- Brown Fox Sedge
- Broad-leaved Purple Coneflower
- Cardinal Flower
- Common Mountain Mint
- Common Rush
- Hairy Beardtongue
- Northern Blue Flag Iris
- Sneezeweed
- Swamp Milkweed
- Riddell's Goldenrod

PRAIRIE GRASS

- Blue Grama
- Bottlebrush Grass
- Canada Wild Rye
- Copper-Shouldered Oval Sedge
- Indian Grass
- Little Bluestem
- June Grass
- Prairie Dropseed
- Purple Lovegrass
- Switch Grass

SHADE

- Big-leaved Aster
- Blue Mistflower
- Bottlebrush Grass
- Eastern Woodland Sedge
- Golden Alexanders
- Heart-leaved Aster
- Ohio Spiderwort
- Rough Goldenrod
- Wild Columbine
- Wild Snakeroot

Deadline for Spring orders

March 26 (8am)

(kits ship early June)

Kits will ship directly to address on order form. Shipping cost is included in price of kit.

Native plant substitutions may be made if necessary.

2024 Native Plant Kit Order Form

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

Prairie Wildflower Kit # ____ @ \$160/each = \$ ____
 Rain Garden Kit # ____ @ \$160/each = \$ ____
 Prairie Grass Kit # ____ @ \$160/each = \$ ____
 Shade Kit # ____ @ \$160/each = \$ ____
 Subtotal = \$ ____
 8% tax = \$ ____
 TOTAL \$ ____

(make check payable to Cuyahoga SWCD)

Fill out order form and
send with a check to:

Cuyahoga SWCD
3311 Perkins Ave., Suite 100
Cleveland, OH 44114

Or order online at:
<http://tinyurl.com/3cpzvkp5>

Contact: Amy Roskilly
 216/524-6580, ext. 1005
 aroskilly@cuyahogaswcd.org



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 conservation district



COPS CORNER



WELCOME NEW POLICE OFFICER



On November 1, 2023, Mayor Cegelka swore in Part-Time Police Officer Michael Busicnki. Officer Busicnki is a full-time Officer in Oakwood Village. He is trained and part of the AIU (Accident Investigation Unit) and currently assigned to community relations. Officer Busicnki will make a great addition to our department.

SHOP WITH A COP



We want to thank everyone who donated to the annual "Shop With a Cop" program. "Shop With a Cop" allows children the opportunity to see our law enforcement in a different atmosphere and promote positive relationships with them. The program is funded through generous donations. Each child is provided with a monetary gift card to purchase gifts for themselves, or their family members, allowing for a more enjoyable holiday. Our Department was able to take two children. Thank you to all that donated!



COPS CORNER



PARKING REMINDER

There is **NO PARKING** on any residential street in the Village of Glenwillow. Now that winter is here, it's imperative that residents follow this ordinance. It is very important that the Service Department have full access to our streets for plowing and salting.

Officers routinely patrol our residential streets. During patrols, officers closely monitor the streets for parking violations. Officers will enforce our Village parking ordinances by issuing a written warning to first time offenders, and citations to repeat offenders. If you are in need of parking in the street, please contact the Police Dept. for permission: 440-232-8787



PUBLIC SAFETY REMINDER



While break-ins may seem random, there are certain things burglars look for – including an unlocked door. Please make sure all of your doors to your home, including garage doors, are secure at all times. If an officer finds a door open, they will try to secure the door and then will leave an orange hanger advising you that they have been at your residence.

LICENSE PLATE RENEWAL

When you renew your license plates with the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles this year, please remember to make sure you tell the clerk or indicate online, that you live in **GLENWILLOW**. (not Solon) The Village receives its portion of the license tax fee which is used to repair our roads. Since Glenwillow shares a zip code with Solon, many times the plates are registered incorrectly. There is no difference in the tax if you are listed with Solon or Glenwillow. Please help us earn the money for which we are entitled.

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**New time for
PC 5:30 PM &
ARB 6:00 PM**

**FUTURE
MEETING
DATES:**

Village Council Meetings
All meetings start at 7:00 pm
March 6th • April 3 •
May 1 • June 5

Planning Commission
Starts at 5:30 pm &
Architectural Review Board
Starts at 6:00 pm
March 20th • April 17
May 15 • June 19

All meetings are open to the public.

**Check our Website for an
agenda of each meeting at
www.glenwillow-oh.gov**

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A&S Animal Control
REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, call the Glenwillow Police
Department 440-232-8787 | 9am-4pm
AFTER HOURS, for emergencies only, call the Solon Police
Department non-emergency at 440-349-1234