

## Community Events

**April 27-29**      **Sugar Maple Festival**  
Downtown Bellbrook  
*Community Festival*

**May 10**      **Neighborhood Walk**  
South Lakeman, Tampico Area  
*Police Department Event*

**May 17**      **Neighborhood Walk**  
Possum Run, Locus Bend, Sugar Leaf Area  
*Police Department Event*

**May 24**      **Neighborhood Walk**  
Hillrise, Vemco Area  
*Police Department Event*

**May 31**      **Neighborhood Walk**  
Woodedge, Maxwell, Nedra Area  
*Police Department Event*

**May 17-19**      **Community Garage Sale**  
Bellbrook & Sugarcreek Area  
*Chamber of Commerce Event*

**June 9**      **River Festival**  
Bellbrook Park  
*Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District Event*

**June 2**      **Little Miami River Cleanup**  
Bellbrook Park  
*Little Miami River Kleeners Event*

**June 7**      **Concert in the Park**  
Bellbrook Park  
*Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District Event*

**July 1**      **Paddles & Flight**  
Washington Mill Park  
*Park District/Chamber of Commerce Event*

**July 9**      **Concert in the Park**  
Bellbrook Park  
*Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District Event*

**July 19**      **Concert in the Park**  
Bellbrook Park  
*Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District Event*

**August 4**      **Community Movie Night**  
Park District Headquarters  
*Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District Event*

**August 7**      **National Night Out**  
City Building/Police Department  
*Police Department Event*

**August 16-18**      **Lions Club Festival**  
Downtown Bellbrook  
*Community Festival*

## Fire Fund Levy: May 8

On May 8, 2018, voters of the City of Bellbrook will be asked to vote on an additional 1.75 mill Fire Fund Levy. This levy is to provide funding for fire and emergency medical services.

**Fire Levy Purpose** This levy will allow for the hiring of one additional full-time Firefighter/Paramedic. It will also allow an increase in the number of scheduled part-time hours. Approval of this level will improve the consistency of staffing for emergency responses. The Fire Department will have authorized staffing of two full-time Firefighter/Paramedics and two part-time Firefighter/EMTs on a 24 hour per day basis.

- This levy request will cost property owners **\$5.10 per month** per \$100,000 of property value.
- This levy request will allow for **increased Fire Department staffing** for emergency responses.
- This levy will help offset the structural deficit caused by the **cuts in funding from the State of Ohio**.
- This levy will generate **\$313,000/year**.

**Fire Levy Costs** The request is a 1.75 mill additional levy. The Bellbrook Fire Department has not received increased property taxes since 2009. In fact, Fire Department revenue in 2017 is only \$30,000 more than it was in 2010 (only a 3% increase over a seven year period)!

**Local Government Costs** Each year, a survey of local governments in Greene and Montgomery counties is conducted to estimate the cost of local government for residents. The costs include property taxes, income taxes, school district income taxes and water/sewer fees. For 2017, the City of Bellbrook has the **lowest cost** among area local governments. The complete survey can be found at [www.cityofbellbrook.org](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org).



The City of Bellbrook is one of a few cities in the State of Ohio that does **not** levy an income tax on its residents. The City relies primarily on property taxes to fund the services provided to residents.

Since 2010, the state has cut over **\$256,000 annually** in state-shared revenue to our city. These cuts by the state have required local taxpayers to pay a higher portion of the costs.

**Voting Information** For information on registering to vote and polling locations, visit the Greene County Board of Elections website or call (937) 562-6170. Early voting begins on April 10<sup>th</sup> at the Board of Elections office located at 551 Ledbetter Road in Xenia.

### Early Voting Begins April 10

**Greene County Board of Elections**

**551 Ledbetter Rd. Xenia**



Appraised Value of Property	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$200,000
Additional Taxes	\$61.25/yr	\$91.88/yr	\$122.50/yr
	\$5.10/mo	\$7.66/mo	\$10.21/mo

The appraised value of property is determined by the Greene County Auditor.

## Sugar Maple Festival: April 27-29

Join the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek community as we celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> annual Sugar Maple Festival in downtown Bellbrook from April 27-29. The theme of this year's festival is "40 Years in the Making," kicking off the community's spring and summer seasons. This year's festival will include entertainment, activities for kids, shopping, great food, and more. Come out and join your community in celebrating our people, traditions, and where we call home!



### Festival Events

#### Friday, April 27

Main Street Closure .....	10 am
Franklin Street Closure.....	5 pm
Beer Garden.....	5 pm – 10 pm
Food Vendors.....	5 pm – 9 pm
Dog Show .....	6:00 pm

#### Saturday, April 28

Pancake Breakfast.....	8 am – 10:30 am
5k Race.....	8 am
Parade .....	10:30 am
Craft Vendors.....	10 am – 7 pm
Food Vendors.....	10 am – 9 pm
Children's Activities.....	11 am – 4 pm
40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit .....	11:30 am – 5 pm
Beer Garden.....	5 pm – 10 pm

#### Sunday, April 29

Craft & Food Vendors .....	11 am – 5 pm
40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit .....	11 am – 5 pm
Children's Activities.....	12 pm – 4 pm

### Festival Entertainment

#### Friday, April 27

##### Beer Garden

Full Frontal .....	6 pm – 10 pm
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#### Saturday, April 28

##### Bellbrook Park

Bellbrook Jazz Band .....	12:00 pm – 12:45 pm
Murphy/Kelch .....	1:15 pm – 2:30 pm
Todd the Fox .....	3 pm – 4:30 pm

##### Sugarcreek Township Fire Department

Bellbrook Dance Academy .....	11:30 am
Fire Department Auto Extrication.....	2 pm

##### Beer Garden

Wasted Potential .....	5 pm – 6 pm
Spungewurthy.....	7 pm – 10 pm

#### Sunday, April 29

##### Bellbrook Park

Chris Katros .....	11 am – 12 pm
Mini Sweetheart Parade .....	1 pm
Danny Voris.....	1:30 pm – 3 pm
Holly & Emily.....	3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

##### Sugarcreek Township Fire Department

Fire Department Auto Extrication.....	2 pm
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**Things to Do** The Sugar Maple Festival provides many family friendly activities. The festival includes around 75 craft vendors, many food vendors, a community parade, a 5k race, and a beer garden, which will offer craft beer from local breweries. Entertainment, including live music, will begin Friday evening and continue through Sunday. For more information on individual events, visit the festival website.

**Free Shuttles** Free shuttles run from Bell Creek Intermediate School on Upper Bellbrook Road to Bellbrook Park.

For more information, visit the festival website at [www.sugarmaplefestival.com](http://www.sugarmaplefestival.com).

### Bellbrook Sugarcreek Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce has moved to 51 South East Street on the second floor. Please call ahead for an appointment. The Chamber is sponsoring the annual Community Garage Sale on May 17-19. You can register your sale on their website or at the Sugar Maple Festival. Community Directories will be available at the Chamber's table during the Festival and are available at the City Administration Building. The Chamber is sponsoring a Pet Expo on June 15 at the Sugarcreek Farmer's Market. The Chamber is partnering with local groups to bring you Paddles and Flight on July 1 for a chance to paddle the river and fly kites. More information will be available on the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Park District website. On August 16, the Chamber will again be hosting their annual Gold Outing.

The public is always welcome to attend their meetings and events. They offer many discounts to Chamber members for various services. Be sure to check out their website at [www.bellbrooksugarcreekchamber.com](http://www.bellbrooksugarcreekchamber.com) or call (937) 848-4930 for more information.

### Winters-Bellbrook Library

It has been proven that reading regularly to preschoolers gives them a head start toward a successful education. It helps to have plenty of books around the house. Frequent library visits are a good way to always have new and interesting books to read. Did you know that any child up to age five who is a resident of Greene County can receive free books through the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library? Once enrolled, the child will receive a book every month by mail which is theirs to keep. Promoting childhood literacy is part of the Greene County Public Library's mission and they are proud to be a partner in the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library delivering nearly 200,000 books to local children since 2013! Another way to encourage reading is to participate in the Library's Summer Reading Program. Starting June 1, there will be lots of fun programs, activities, and prizes to keep kids, teens and adults reading all summer!

For more information please visit the Library's website at [www.greenelibrary.info](http://www.greenelibrary.info).

### Bellbrook Lioness Sale

The annual Bellbrook Lioness Garage Sale will be held April 11-12 from 8 am to 7 pm at the Lions Center at 2757 Wilmington Dayton Road. Proceeds from the sale go toward an academic scholarship, fruit baskets for widowers at Christmas, and other projects.

## Bellbrook Historical Museum

As this column is being written, spring has shown changes to the gardens and the inside of the Museum is showing the results of several months of intense work on the exhibit space and infrastructure. The Parlor Entrance is benefiting from new window sashes paid for by the recent fundraising project. New period-correct paint has been applied on the floors to reflect the deeper colors used at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century as an aid to disguise dirt before the general use of vacuum cleaners. Unseen, but structurally critical, are the new support floor joists and foundation supports that underpin the nearly 200 year old log building. In the Artifact Room, the walls have been painted and period appropriate trim has been added to better present the revamped collection of Bellbrook artifacts. The Kitchen collection has also been refreshed with new paint. Work continues in the Rotating Exhibit Room as the city continues the stabilization of the log frame structure with new and reinforced floor joists, new flooring, and update the trim to reflect the age of the building. Spring always brings new and exciting things as we present interesting and informative exhibits for your discovery. We invite you and your entire family to join us soon for a change from the daily grind, to pause and learn about your community's rich history. Visit the Bellbrook Historical Museum at 42 North Main Street on Wednesdays from 10 am to 2 pm and Saturdays from 12 pm to 4 pm.



*Pictured above: Irises at the Museum*

## Eagle Scouts Honored



*Pictured above left to right: Kenny Beck, Rep. Rick Perales, and David Duckro*

Bellbrook Boy Scout Troop 375 congratulates Kenny Beck and David Duckro on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. David's Eagle Project was building a Reading Garden at Bellcreek Intermediate School. Kenny's Eagle Project was building a Monarch Butterfly Garden at St. Leonard's Living Community. Their Court of Honor ceremony was held on March 11th, 2018. State Representative Rick Perales presented the boys with a commemorative certificate and coin.

## The Fire Escape

**Address Signs** Every second counts during a fire, police or medical emergency. Valuable time can be lost if your house number is not clearly posted where emergency responders can see it. Police officers, firefighters and EMS responders can't provide lifesaving services to you and your family if they cannot find your house. The Bellbrook Fire Department is offering to provide you with a highly-visible sign in order for responders to locate your residence in a timelier manner, potentially saving time...and lives! The signs are made of aluminum with a reflective color backing and 3" reflective white numbers on both sides. They are 6" wide and 18" tall. They are designed to be installed on a mailbox post for the greatest visibility from the street. For information on how to order your address sign, call the Fire Department at (937) 848-3272.



**Spring Flood Safety** The term flash flood warning is usually associated with water rushing through normally dry low-flow creeks, streams, washes, ravines, or across lower lying ground. In suburban areas, torrents of water may run off of paved parking areas and travel for miles in storm drains until reaching a river or stream. This violent rushing of water

## Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District

The Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District has a lot to offer residents of all ages and interests over the next few months! Registration is now open for spring and summer programs throughout all of their parks and facilities. They have everything from summer camps to nature and fitness programs. The Park District also has many volunteer opportunities listed on their website. Volunteering for the Park District is more than just service hours; it's connecting and creating memories with the community. To see dates for all of their programs and volunteer opportunities, please visit their website at [www.bellbrooksugarcreekparks.org](http://www.bellbrooksugarcreekparks.org) or call the office at (937) 848-3535.

collects debris and mud as it pushes across the ground and through the drainage system. Commonly, many individuals are unaware of the potential force of water. Just six inches of fast-moving floodwater can knock a person off their feet.

While flood deaths affect all age groups, nearly half of all flash flood fatalities are vehicle-related. Most flash floods are caused by slow moving thunderstorms, thunderstorms that move repeatedly over the same area or heavy rains from microbursts. These floods can develop within minutes or hours depending on the intensity and duration of the rain, the topography, soil conditions and ground cover.

## City Council Updates

**Police and Fire Annual Reports** On February 12, Police Chief, Doug Doherty, presented the Police Department annual report, providing an overview of the department's 2017 enforcement and crime prevention activities. On February 26, Fire Chief, Jim Neidhard, presented the Fire Department annual report, providing an overview of the department's 2017 fire and emergency medical service activities. Both reports can be found on the City's website.

**2018 Budget** City Council approved the 2018 Annual Budget and 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Program in December. The approved budget documents can be found on the Finance page on the City's website.

**Water Rates** In February, Council decided not to increase water rates in 2018. This is the seventh consecutive year that water rates have remained stable. The city's water rates remain below the regional average.

**Highview Terrace** In January and February, City Council approved the record plans for Section 3 Phase 2 and Phase 3. These are the final phases of the development.

**Wilson Plat** In February, City Council approved a replat to add one additional lot to the existing plat.

**Fire Union Contract** City Council approved a three year agreement with the Fire union.

**Boards & Commissions** The various city boards met five times from January to March.

## New Employees

The following are employees and volunteers who joined the city in 2017:

### Administration Office

Melissa Jones, Code Enforcement Officer

### Fire Department

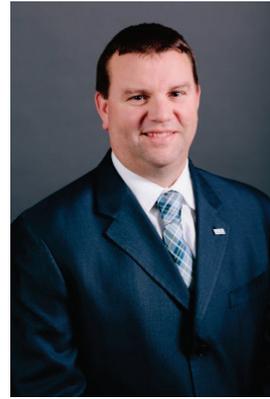
Thomas Dewitt, PT Firefighter

The Fire Department is regularly looking for volunteers and part-time firefighters to join the Department. Don't have any experience or qualifications? Contact the Fire Department today at (937) 848-3272 to find out how you can be a part of the team.

## City Manager Leaves Bellbrook

Mark Schlagheck's final day with the city was March 16 after nearly 10 years as City Manager. Mark was instrumental in maintaining the financial stability of the city throughout his tenure. City Council has hired Melissa Dodd as Mark's replacement. Melissa was the Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director for the Village of Yellow Springs.

Council-manager government combines the political leadership of elected officials with the managerial experience of an appointed manager. All power and authority to set policy rests with the Mayor and City Council. The Mayor and City Council in turn hire a nonpartisan manager who has authority to run the day to day operations of the city. In Bellbrook, the City Manager is also the Finance Director, responsible for managing the development and administration of the city's budget and fiscal operations.



## City Council

The legislative and policy-making body of the City is comprised of a Mayor and six council members elected at large on a non-partisan basis. The Council hires a professional City Manager who operates the city on a day-to-day basis.

The Bellbrook City Council invites you to attend its regular meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. Meetings begin at 7 pm.

For more information about City Council, past meetings and current issues, call the Clerk of Council at (937) 848-4666 or visit the Council page on our website.

Bob Baird, Mayor

Mike Schweller, Deputy Mayor

Nick Edwards

Forrest Greenwood

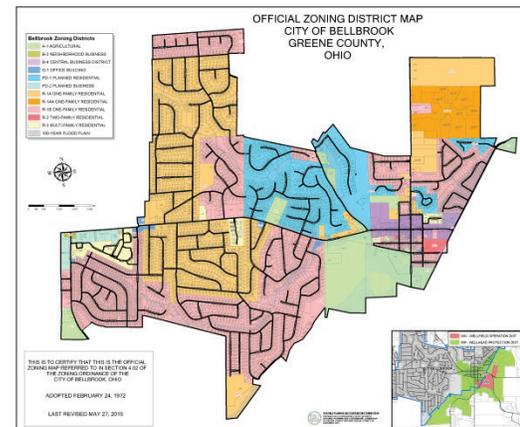
Darryl McGill

Elaine Middlestetter

Dona Seger-Lawson

## Comprehensive Plan: We Need Your Input!

The Planning Board has begun the process of updating the city's comprehensive plan. The last plan was done in 1974. As part of the process, we are asking residents and business owners to provide your input using an online survey developed with the help of the Greene County Regional Planning Commission. To take the survey, go to [www.co.greene.oh.us/BellbrookPlan](http://www.co.greene.oh.us/BellbrookPlan) by April 30. For information on other ways to participate in the planning process, go to our website at [www.cityofbellbrook.org](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org).



## The Works

**About the Bellbrook Service Department** The Service Department operates and maintains the water system serving the city and part of Sugarcreek Township. Currently, the city has one employee with a Class 2 Operators License and five employees with a Class 1 Operators License. The Ohio EPA requires the city to have a minimum of one employees with a Class 1 Operators License. The water system serves over 9,000 people in the city and township. The department also maintains city streets, storm sewers, and city buildings.

**2018 Paving Program** The Service Department has been busy patching potholes after severe winter temperatures. Please call (937) 848-8415 to report any potholes you may find. Each spring, the Service Department evaluates streets to be repaved for the following year. The streets being considered for the 2018 Paving Program are Bradley Court, Portions of Hillrise Circle, Mission Lane, Sheffield Court, Sheffield Place, and Tampico Trail.

## Zoning & Property Maintenance Code

In order to maintain property values, the city enforces the Property Maintenance and Zoning Codes. Here are a few tips on how to keep your property up to code:



- The exterior of a structure needs to be maintained and not negatively affect your neighbors.
- Exterior property areas need to be kept clean and maintained.
- Weeds and grass need to be cut and maintained below eight inches. The city does weekly grass inspections during the summer months.
- Rodents need to be controlled and not allowed to nest in sheds or other structures.
- Storage of items not typically found in yards must be screened from view or placed within a structure.
- Firewood must be stacked and piled in a reasonably compact and orderly manner.
- Brush piles are not permitted in a front yard and are limited to one per property.
- Trash cans are allowed to be out 24 hours before and after pickup. Also, trash cans must have lids to prevent rodents from getting into the trash.
- No vehicles or recreational vehicles are permitted to be parked in the grass. No more than two recreational vehicles may be parked on a property.
- Driveways and vehicle parking spaces located in the front, side and rear yards shall be required to have a hard surface such as asphalt or concrete. Recreational vehicles may be parked in the side and rear yards on a hard surface or gravel.

For more information on the enforcement of the Property Maintenance Code and the Zoning Code, visit the Planning & Zoning page at [www.cityofbellbrook.org](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org).

## The Policeman's Badge

**Neighborhood Walks** During the spring and autumn months of 2018, Police Department staff will be walking in neighborhoods to allow residents the opportunity to meet them where they live. Neighborhood walks will occur between 5:30 pm and 7 pm on the scheduled evenings. The command staff and members of the Police Department welcome residents and business owners to share their thoughts and concerns about the safety and security of our community. The leadership of the Bellbrook Police Department remains committed to serving and providing Bellbrook residents with the best customer service. See the chart below for neighborhood walk dates.

Date	Area of the City
May 10	South Lakeman, Tampico
May 17	Possum Run, Sugar Leaf
May 24	Hillrise, Vemco
May 31	Woodedge, Nedra, Maxwell
September 6	Vineyards, Sable Ridge, Highview Terr.
September 13	Green Meadow Ranch
September 20	Whites, Weller, Woodacre
September 27	Downtown

**National Night Out** The Bellbrook Police Department will be hosting National Night Out on August 7. The department will be grilling out and serving refreshments in addition to having family-friendly activities.

**Lock Your Cars** A common problem in Bellbrook is theft from unlocked cars. The Police Department asks you to be proactive and make sure your vehicles are locked.



## Water Updates

### Upper Hillside Water Main Replacement

Construction has begun on the replacement of the water main in the Upper Hillside, Viewpoint, and Pinegrove Drive subdivision. This project is part of the city's goal to keep our water system safe and reliable.

**Water Quality Report** The 2017 Water Quality Report is available to water customers on our website at [www.cityofbellbrook.org/waterqualityreport.pdf](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org/waterqualityreport.pdf). For more information, contact the Utility Billing office at (937) 848-4638 or visit the Utility Billing page on our website.

**Utility Billing Office** For questions regarding your water or waste collection service, please contact the Utility Billing office at (937) 848-4638. You can also visit the Utility Billing page on our website.

The Utility Billing office is located on the second floor of the Administration building at 15 East Franklin Street. A payment drop box is located at the front entrance to the building. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

## Auditor of State Award

In November 2017, the City received the Auditor of State Award. This award is given to public agencies after the completion of a clean audit. A clean audit includes timely filing of financial reports and no significant findings. The City is thankful for this recognition of our financial management.

## Holidays

City of Bellbrook non-emergency services will be closed Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day and Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

## Special Collection

One Saturday each month, Greene County Environmental Services holds a special collection for recyclables that are not picked up by Rumpke. Below is a list of accepted items. Please note this is not an exhaustive list. If you have any questions, please contact Environmental Services.

- Household Hazardous Waste
- Large Household Appliances
- Scrap Metal
- Other Items

For more information on special collections, please contact Greene County Environmental Services at (937) 562-5925 or visit the Greene County website at [www.greene.co.oh.us](http://www.greene.co.oh.us).

## Yard Waste Collection

Residents do have options to dispose of yard waste. First, Rumpke does collect yard waste. Second, residents may dispose of yard waste at Greene County Environmental Services located at 2145 Greene Way Blvd, Xenia.

Please call ahead for hours of operation. For additional information, please contact Greene County Environmental Services at (937) 562-5925 or visit their website at [www.co.greene.oh.us](http://www.co.greene.oh.us) and go to the Environmental Services page.

## Stormwater: Spring into Action

- Plant trees, shrubs and ground cover to help rainwater soak into the ground. Keep the soil covered; bare soil is the primary cause of erosion. Mulch bare areas with straw, grass clippings, stones or wood chips.
- Re-direct rain gutter downspouts into landscaped areas instead of onto paved surfaces such as driveways. Rain that falls onto paved areas washes pollutants into the storm drains.
- Consider growing clover in your lawn; its hardy, stands up to wear and produces nitrogen needed by other lawn grasses.

**What is Stormwater Runoff?** Stormwater is water from rain or melting snow. It flows from roof tops, over paved streets, sidewalks and parking lots, across bare soil and through lawns and storm drains. As it flows, runoff collects and transports soil, pet waste, salt, pesticides, fertilizer, oil and grease, litter and other pollutants. This water drains directly into Bellbrook's creeks, streams and rivers, without receiving any treatment at sewage plants.

**Report Suspected Illegal Discharges** To report a suspected illegal dumping down a storm drain, call the Bellbrook Service Department at (937) 848-8415 Monday-Friday 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. For after-hour complaints, call (937) 848-8484.

## Waste, Recycling & Yard Waste Disposal

**Waste Collection Holidays** Please note that waste and recycling collection will be delayed one day due to the Memorial Day and Independence Day holidays. Waste and recycling collection will take place on Saturday, June 2, and Saturday, July 7, for those weeks.

**City Recycling Program** The City has a weekly recycling program. Special items are recycled by Greene County Environmental Services who can be contacted at (937) 562-5925. For more information on the recycling program, call the Utility Billing office at (937) 848-4638.

**Bulk Pick-up** Large items may be picked up by Rumpke on Fridays. However, you must call ahead and schedule with Rumpke at (800) 223-3960.

**Yard Waste** The City does not have leaf or yard waste collection service. However, residents may dispose of yard waste with regular trash collection. Rumpke will collect brush in bags or tied in bundles no larger than four feet long and two feet wide. Brown paper yard waste bags are not required by Rumpke.

For more information, visit the Utility Billing page on our website at [www.cityofbellbrook.org](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org).

## Around Town

**Neighborhood Streets** When driving neighborhood streets, please be mindful of your speed. Most streets in Bellbrook have a posted speed limit of **25 miles per hour**. Also, please be mindful of pedestrians and bicycles on streets without sidewalks.

**Grass** It is time to be mowing grass again. Remember, it is against the law to blow your grass into the street. This can cause drainage problems for your neighbors and clog the storm sewers. In addition, the city has a tall grass ordinance that is enforced on a regular basis.

**Pets** Please be considerate and clean up after your pets. Do not leave pet waste on other peoples' property when you are out walking your pet.

## Volunteer Bellbrook

Over the past eight years, the City has been able to call on the services of Volunteer Bellbrook. In 2010, the program was started to provide help to those in need by connecting community volunteers with the elderly and disabled who need assistance.

All over the community, there are those in need of assistance with property maintenance and also those who want to lend a helping hand. The City has compiled a list of volunteers that range from church groups and civic organizations to individuals. If you are willing to help or if you are elderly or disabled and are in need of assistance with basic property maintenance, please call Melissa Jones in the Administration office at (937) 848-4666.

# 2018 Financial Overview

In December 2017, the Bellbrook City Council adopted the 2018 Annual Budget and the 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Program.

For budgeting purposes, the City breaks its finances into five categories: **Property Tax Supported Funds** (services provided using specific levies approved by the voters and other governmental funding – Police, Fire, General and Capital Improvements); **Transportation Related Funds** (services provided using funds that are restricted for transportation projects – gasoline tax, motor vehicle and permissive license tax revenue); **Water Related Funds** (services provided using funds from water customers including operating, capital and debt); **Waste Collection Fund** (services provided using fees from waste collection customers); and **Other Funds** (services provided for other purposes).

The following is a summary of these categories as approved for 2018:

	Revenue	Expenses	Difference	Ending Balance
<b>Property Tax Supported Funds</b>	\$4,167,678	\$4,384,548	\$(216,870)	\$2,391,973
<b>Transportation Related Funds</b>	384,320	336,742	47,578	343,068
<b>Water Related Funds</b>	2,626,750	2,501,456	125,294	2,111,863
<b>Waste Collection Fund</b>	404,040	458,820	(54,780)	161,942
<b>Other Funds</b>	17,400	16,700	700	2,994
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$7,600,188</u></b>	<b><u>\$7,698,266</u></b>	<b><u>\$(98,078)</u></b>	<b><u>\$5,011,840</u></b>

## General City Administration

- **22.2%** – The portion of your property taxes that go to the city
- **\$562/\$2,529** – Taxes paid to the city out of total property taxes for a home with a taxable value of \$100,000
- **135** – Zoning permits issued in 2017
- **21** – Meetings held in 2017 by our Boards & Commissions



## Police Department

- **3,678** – Calls in 2017 for Police service
- **1,337** – Traffic warnings issued in 2017
- **639** – Traffic citations issued in 2017
- **20+** - Number of training hours recorded by each Police Officer as required by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission

## Water System

- **299 Million** – Gallons pumped in 2017
- **7** – Years since the city's last water rate increase
- **9,000** – People served by the city's water system in Bellbrook & Sugarcreek Twp.
- **740** – Water customers who use our online billing service



## Fire Department

- **428** – EMS (Emergency Medical Service) runs in 2017
- **254** – Fire runs in 2017
- **77** – Child safety seats installed by certified personnel
- **1,400+** – Students who participated in Fire Prevention Week activities



## Service Department: Winter 2017/2018

- **16** – Total number of snow/ice events
- **4,805** – Miles driven by our snow plows
- **585** – Tons of salt spread on city streets
- **442** – Employee hours spent clearing snow and ice



**City of Bellbrook**

15 East Franklin Street  
Bellbrook, Ohio 45305

**Departments**

- Administration ..... (937) 848-4666
- Clerk of Council ..... (937) 848-4666
- Planning & Zoning.. (937) 848-4666
- Police..... (937) 848-3252
- Fire ..... (937) 848-3272
- Service..... (937) 848-8415
- Utility Billing ..... (937) 848-4638

[www.cityofbellbrook.org](http://www.cityofbellbrook.org)



**Bellbrook Business Spotlight**

**Little Miami Handworks**

Little Miami Handworks is a woodworking school centered on traditional hand tool use and preserving the traditions of woodworking by hand. They also design and sell custom furniture of all types to meet your specific tastes and needs.

Dwight Bartlett started the school in 2015 and is the lead instructor and designer. Dwight has a passion for woodworking and has combined this with his training in industrial design. Dwight wants to preserve the skills of working with wood by hand and pass it on to future generations. He was born and raised in Bellbrook and enjoys calling this home for his business.

The school offers several classes from beginners to more advanced woodworkers. Tools are provided by the school. Dwight brings in additional instructors for some classes. For more information on woodworking classes or custom furniture, visit their website.

**Location**

26 East Franklin Street  
*In downtown Bellbrook*

**Hours**

Showroom	By Appointment
Classes	Weekends

**Contact**

(937) 307-6634

[www.littlemiamihandworks.com](http://www.littlemiamihandworks.com)

