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2021 Annual Report Snapshot

Sylvania Township experienced steady growth in 2021 and provided the level of service and efficiency expected by businesses and the residents of this community. We are pleased to present a department specific snapshot of events and accomplishments through the past year. A full report is available on the Township website (www.sylvaniatownship.com) and any Township location.

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Administration

Sylvania Township Administration worked to advance the quality of life for citizens and stakeholders during 2021 through a variety of initiatives. This work is completed with the approval of and oversight by the Board of Trustees and Fiscal Officer. Following are some examples: Annexation Agreement, American Rescue Plan, Joint Economic Development District, Policy Development, and Public Engagement.

Employee Count – As of 12/31/2021

Full-Time	151
Part-Time	7
Total	158

Finance – Expenditures for 2021 by the general fund were \$1,725,255, or 87 percent of what had been budgeted; the road and bridge fund expended \$1,927,400, or 77.2 percent of its budget; the police fund spend \$7,750,859, or 91.2 percent of its budget; and the fire fund spent \$10,044,419, or 90.7 percent of its budget.

Planning & Zoning Department

The past year was a busy one, with the Department issuing 559 zoning permits in 2021. This is the most permits issued in a single year since 2005 (709 permits), and the fifth year in a row of more than 500 permits issued.

Of the above 559 permits, 129 were for new single-family dwellings. This represents the most of this type of permit since 2006 (134 permits). The estimated average value (not selling price) of the new homes was \$313,864. Approximately 57% of the new homes built in the Township were in just three subdivisions: Quarry Ridge, Waterside Sylvania, and Eagle Creek.

	2020	2021
Single-Family Permits	106	129
Total Zoning Permits	513	559
All Permit Values (Annual)	\$51,677,273	\$54,226,302
Zoning Enforcement	203	229

Meeting Schedules

Trustees:

Regular Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month at 5 pm
Special Meetings: Subject to call with 24-hour notice on website

Zoning Commission: 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6:00 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals: 1st Monday of the Month at 5:00 pm



Fire Department

The Sylvania Fire-EMS Department is administered by the Trustees of Sylvania Township. The Fire Department services both Sylvania Township and Sylvania City with an area of 28.6 sq. miles and a population of approximately 50,000 residents. We strive to always provide the best in professional emergency services, community risk reduction, and public education services, from our highly trained and skilled firefighter/paramedics.

With the resurgence of the COVID 19 virus and a steady increase in incidents it has put pressure on the crews to meet the needs of the community. Our crews answered the calls for service with a sustained focus on excellence in community service.

	2020	2021
Fire Calls	1,889	2,182
EMS Calls	4,216	5,017
TOTAL	6,105	7,199

Police Department

The police department had an action packed 2021. The department purchased two additional vehicles for the fleet. There were three retirements and three replacement officers hired. A sizeable change to note was that the consolidation of dispatch was completed in the fourth quarter of 2021 and all dispatchers are now employed by the Lucas County 911 Regional Council of Governments.

Community Affairs officers hosted Safety Town. Two sessions were held – morning and afternoon to allow for the children who didn't have the opportunity to attend in 2020 due to COVID. The officers also participated in Fall Festival and adopted a family for Christmas from each of the four local elementary schools.

	2020	2021
Calls for Police Service	14,050	15,466

Road Department

The Road Department maintains over 133 miles of Township roads and infrastructure. In addition to 133 miles of Township Roads there are 30 miles of County roads and 10 miles of state roads the Road Department services. These services include our annual Household pick up, spring brush and leaf cleanup, fall brush and leaf pickup, street sweeping, roadside mowing, tree trimming and removals, weed control, and dead animal recoveries.

Some items of note include:

- Several infrastructure projects completed in coordination with the County.
- The purchase of a front-end loader, plow truck and service truck.
- The service department responded to 516 service requests.

	2020	2021
Road Resurfaced (miles)	4.38	4.58
Concrete Repairs (sf)	4,804	3,012
Roads Crack Seal	7.40	4.06
Leaf Collection (yd ³)	21,521	23,680
Brush & Tree Collection (yd ³)	1,930	2,652
Household Pickup (tons)	279.04	206
Employees (#)	15	15