



Xenia Township Newsletter

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Welcome to the first edition of the Xenia Township newsletter. We will be sharing facts about the past, present, and future goals of our community. We will be asking for your opinions and we will all work together to make the best decisions going forward. Please visit our website at Xeniatownship.org and sign up to receive e-mails. We promise not to overload you and will strive to keep you up to date and well informed about our community. Our first few newsletters will be printed and mailed. Subsequent ones will be digital and sent by e-mail.

Township Budget

The 2025 annual budget for Xenia Township is \$4,500,996. This includes \$1,369,762, or 31% of the total budget, which is dedicated to the Road Department; \$2,134,552, or 51% for the Fire Department; and \$759,337, or 18% for the General Fund. General Fund monies can also be allocated to the Road or Fire Departments. Revenue for the Fire Fund and revenue for the Road Fund can only be spent for those respective departments.

Trustees and Staff

Steve Combs, Chair
Scott Miller, Vice Chair
Jeremy VanDyne, Trustee
Jacqueline Robinson, Fiscal Officer
Missy Krause, Administrative Assistant
Jim Pile, Road Superintendent
Greg Beegle, Fire Chief
Tony Albertini, Deputy Chief

Composition of Xenia Township

Agricultural District	87.94 %
Residential District	6.37 %
Business/Manufacturing District	5.69 %
The Township has 45.5 square miles	

Where Does Your Tax Money Go?

Xenia Township is projected to receive \$4,500,996 in real estate taxes, Road and Fire levies, payment for services, and proceeds from grants for which we apply. The taxes/levies are paid by the more than 6,742 residents in the Township.

Let's take a look at the taxes of one Xenia Township resident and how those taxes are dispersed by the Greene County Auditor.

Appraised Land:	\$ 25,870.00
Appraised Bldg:	\$ 194,430.00
Appraised Total:	\$ 220,300.00
Assessed Total:	<u>\$ 77,100.00</u>
Total Tax Revenue	\$ 3,767.00

Xenia Community Schools	\$ 2,182.00
Xenia Township	\$ 670.00
Greene County	\$ 662.00
Greene County JVS	\$ 215.00
General Health	<u>\$ 36.00</u>
Total Tax Dispersed	\$ 3,767.00

The Township receives \$ 670.76, about 18%, of the \$ 3,767.78 paid in total taxes and distributes the taxes like this:

Fire & EMS	\$ 428.06
Road & Bridge	\$ 201.08
General Fund	\$ 41.64

Xenia Township Road Department

In Xenia Township there are three types of roads, each maintained by a different entity. Ohio Department of Transportation roads (ODOT) are signified by numbers. Greene County Highway Department maintains roads that typically link State Routes. Xenia Township takes care of all other roads within the Township. Our Road Department maintains 53.3 miles of center-lane roads.

Maintenance of roads means taking care of the road surface (center and edge lines, pot holes, crack sealing, resurfacing) as well as berming (aggregate material next to both sides of the road) and Right-of-Way (ditch, culvert maintenance, and mowing). It also means removing fallen trees, keeping roads free of snow and ice, and taking care of any issue that might cause any kind of line-of-sight or other road hazards.

Unlike many other road crews, your Township Road crew also maintains and does the vast majority of repair work for ALL township vehicles. They also maintain all of our building repairs and upkeep. This means HVAC, boilers plumbing, electrical, and mowing. They also are responsible for maintaining our two cemeteries, mowing and all burials.

The road crew consists of four dedicated members who work day and night when necessary. Under the leadership of Road Superintendent, Jim Pile, who has been at the Township 10 years, we have Ronnie Shaw, 27 years, Ethan Randall, 6 years, and Alex Sparks, here 2 years. We are proud of this crew and the condition of our Township Roads!

Costs of Doing Business for Xenia Township Road Department

Road surfaces in the Township come in two ways, 1) the traditional resurfacing of smooth asphalt after grinding some of the surface (Mill n Fill) and 2) placing aggregate over a tar substance and allowing cars to flatten it (Chip Seal).

Mill n Fill (2" mill, 2" fill, 20' wide) typically lasts 12-15 years and costs **\$218,000 per mile**. It provides a stronger and smoother road surface. **Chip Seal** (20' wide) typically lasts 7-8 years and costs about at **\$28,000 per mile**. Additional costs to prep the road for chip seal will increase the final cost without adding additional road strength or improved ride.

The price of new vehicles has skyrocketed **even though our revenue from real estate taxes and levies has remained the same.**

Year	Vehicle	Cost	Current Cost	Age	Increase
2014	Snow Plow	\$138,000.00	\$325,000.00	10	\$187,000.00
2020	Tractor W/Mower	\$83,002.93	\$245,000.00	4	\$161,997.07
2009	Backhoe	\$56,349.78	\$189,000.00	15	\$132,650.22
2014	1 Ton Dump Truck	\$87,618.00	\$175,000.00	10	\$87,382.00

Road Levy Renewal in May

Next month, Xenia Township will have a Road Renewal Levy on the ballot. **A renewal does not increase the taxes you are already paying.** This Levy represents 21% of our real-estate tax income. For the Road Department that amounts to \$127,000. While the cost of vehicles, repairs, fuel, and maintenance climbs, the revenue from levies do not increase.

PLEASE VOTE! TUESDAY, MAY 6TH BETWEEN 6:30 AM – 7:30 P.M.