



Mayor's Update to City Council March 13, 2018

New Resident Event Was a Success

We welcomed about 50-60 new residents, who joined about 30 existing resident “welcomers” to City Hall on Sunday. It was a great chance for new residents to meet other new residents, and to learn more about the community. We had great support from representatives of the School District, the Library, the Chamber of Commerce, and Capital. Special thanks to City Communications Coordinator Sam Metcalf for helping with the logistics of the event, and thanks to all others who helped out!



Greater Bexley Cleanup Day – April 28th

The Cleanup Day is scheduled for April 28th. Dropoff of items will occur on Delmar Drive, as with last year. The volunteer check-in and cookout will be at Capital's Main Lawn. This year's event coincides with the DEA drug take-back day, so we will also accept unused Rx. We will also accept:

- American Flag retirement
- Document shredding (collection, shredding is off-site)
- Clothing, books, bikes, and household items
- Battery & e-waste recycling

North Community Garden Progress

The raised beds and fencing are in for the community garden. The project is on track to be completed for the Spring growing season, with a total of 48 new beds available for use by the community.



Jeffrey Woods Festival Report

We had more participation than ever at this year's event, with a fully booked wood chop event, enthusiastic participation in the kids' woodcraft project, and production of over 75 bottles of maple syrup. Many thanks to the hard work of the Rec and Forestry departments in helping pull the event off.



My Calendar Highlights Since Last Council Meeting:

- Met with the Chamber of Commerce Exec. Director – discussed BCC food truck festival concept for this summer
- Assisted with design/publish of Rec. Brochure
- Met with the Bexley Historical Society re: historical marker for Drexel Circle
- Met with potential new business for Bexley re: zoning requirements
- Met with Westerville Council member who asked to meet re: some of Bexley's more recent initiatives
- Attended the United Way / AFL-CIO presentation to the Bexley Sleep Out organizers
- Attended the 3rd Safe Conversations About Race event
- Met with a resident of southwest Bexley regarding her proposed residential façade grant idea. Followed up with the BCF regarding this idea.
- Attended the monthly COMMA meeting
- Attended and helped at the Jeffrey Woods Festival
- Met with Councilwoman Lampke and Chief re: BCF grant idea for police appreciation activities
- Attended the CIC meeting
- Met with City Engineer and Service Director to discuss bollard/planter installations at Drexel and Main
- Presented a City update to the Library staff at their in-house staff training day
- Attended Greater Bexley Cleanup planning meeting
- Met with residents/solar experts re: a co-op renewable energy installation concept for the community
- Attended the Governor's "State of the State" in Westerville
- Attended CSG's annual Women's Leadership Breakfast
- Met with Councilman Madison and BCF re: BCA/Main Event organizational concepts and how the BCF can help with fundraising efforts
- Met with a developer re: a proposed adaptive reuse of a house in Bexley
- Met onsite at the south and north community gardens with community garden leadership re: 2018/2019 projects
- Submitted an op-ed to ThisWeek
- Met with Bexley Sleepout organizers re: logistics for this years' event
- Toured the "Center of Hope" food pantry/medical clinic/counseling center in Whitehall
- Attended the MORPC board meeting
- Dropped in at the ARB
- Attended the Daniel Pink event at BHS
- Met with Tree Commission members re: agenda and process
- Attended the BCF "Meet me at the Mansion" event
- Helped set up for and attended the "Welcome to Bexley" event at City Hall on Sunday
- Met with Bexley Village property owner to discuss the Schneider Fields project
- Worked on narrative for the 2018 annual report
- Held routine staff and director meetings

Coming Up

March 14, 4:00 pm:	Bexley Tree Commission
March 22, 6:00 pm:	Bexley Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning
March 27, 6:00 pm:	Bexley City Council Meeting
March 31, noon:	Annual Easter Egg Dash
April 6/7:	Bexley Sleep Out Event
April 28:	Greater Bexley Cleanup Day