The Village administration and Council also can take advantage of these facilities … and tenants will round out the occupancy.

Residents are invited to attend a meeting on Sunday, June 4, at the Community Building at 4 p.m. to learn more.

As always, information about Village government activities has been and will continue to be available on minervapark.org … both in Council work packets for upcoming meetings (minervapark.org/#packets) and passed legislation (minervapark.org/legislation). Residents are encouraged to attend Council meetings on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month … and Coffee with Council on the 3rd Monday of the month, an open forum wherein residents can discuss Village issues with their Council members and Mayor.

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**2999 E. Dublin-Granville Rd.**

By Mayor Lynn Eisentrout

The Village recently had the opportunity to purchase 2999 E. Dublin-Granville Road - an office building in Village “city limits” - supported by a strong financial analysis:

- Construction costs for a new similar building - appx. 22,000 sq.ft. 3-story office building - would be between $4-$5 million, compared to the purchase price of the existing 1974 building at appx. $657,500 (less than the listed sale price) plus construction build-out costs of appx. $942,500.

- Remodeling the existing appx. 2,688 sq.ft. Community Building, built in 1960, would be impractical, having to add on to the building and bringing the existing portions up to today’s code and complying with ADA standards.

- Tenants will provide a revenue stream of appx. $112,800 annually, helping to offset any costs of acquisition and/ or maintenance, which will be explained fully.

What will the building be used for? With the annexation of the golf course and its development, the Village needs to look forward for the next 50 years. We continue to hear from residents the importance of our Police Department, which will relocate to the space, providing adequate facilities for their needs.

**Veterans Memorial Dedication**

Sunday, June 25
4:00 p.m.
Community Building

Do you wish to commemorate a service member? Forms will be available for purchasing an engraved brick paver for $40.

Grass clippings in the street wind up clogging MP storm sewers, costing the Village money. Mulch grass clippings into your own yard or dispose of them properly … and please help keep the storm sewer grates in front of your property cleared of debris.

**Storm Drains**

Mayor’s Report continued on pg 3 ...
MP Garden Tour

July 9 • 1p-5p

There is still time to join the tour ... 6 MP residential gardens and 2 public gardens are scheduled for the FREE annual garden tour sponsored by your MP Community Association.

Please call 614-560-0452 or email sljthitoff@att.net for more information.

For updates closer to the time of the event, visit mympca.org/Events, minervapark.org, or the MPCA Facebook page. Maps will be available the day of the event.

Scheduled so far are:
- 2690 Lakewood Dr.
- Lakewood & Maplewood Drives, the Mary Yost Garden, a public garden
- 3071 Minerva Lake Rd.
- 2749 Minerva Lake Rd.
- Minerva Lake Rd, & Farview, a community garden
- 2681 Maplewood Dr.
- Black Sycamore, the M/I Homes model home
- 2626 Wildwood Rd.

Wine & Cheese

June 10 • 8p-11p • Pool

How about an adult night out? MP adults are invited to attend another great Wine & Cheese Evening at the pool. BYOW to enjoy or share. Hors d’oeuvres will be provided. $5 per person charge. Drinks by moonlight, and maybe a swim. Sounds like a great evening!

Save the Date

- Wine & Cheese at the Pool - Jun 10
- MP Garden Tour - Jul 9 - contact Bob Gale at 614-560-0452
- Family Fun Night - Jul 15 - volunteer to help, volunteersonline.org/LRBCK
- Wine & Cheese at the Pool - Aug 19
- MP Garage Sale 2 - Sep 16
- Children’s Halloween Party - Oct 28 - volunteer to help, volunteersonline.org/YRYMM
- Christmas Carriage Rides - Dec 10
- Children’s Christmas Party - Dec 16
- Festival of Lights - Dec 16

Police Report

April - MP Police made 1 felony arrest and 1 misdemeanor arrest.
- 1:14a, Minerva Lake Rd at Westerville Rd, oral falsification during a traffic stop
- 1:14a, oral falsification & driving under suspension
- 12:40p, location not listed, felony theft reported
- 3:15p, Cleveland Ave at Jordan Rd, driving under suspension
- 8:45a, 2600 blk Jordan Rd, criminal mischief reported
- 1:56a, 2700 blk Minerva Lake Rd, obstructing official business, resulting in arrest
- 8:00a, 2700 blk Kerrwood, forgery reported
- 2:37a, Farview Dr. at M/I Homes construction site, improper handling of firearms, drug possession arrest
- 4:11p, 2600 blk Maplewood Dr, dog bite reported

Mayor’s Court

Mayor’s Court is open to the public — our next sessions are June 7 and 21, 8 a.m. If you have questions, please call 614-882-1408.

April 2017

Citation payments ...................... 33
Village General Fund ........... $3,368
Computer Funds ................. $344
Remitted to the State .......... $927
Columbus ............................... $35
Capital Recovery System ....... $4351
Total Court Receipts .......... $4,351
MAYOR’S REPORT
Lynn Eisentrout

continued from pg 1 …

Dam Project: Even with the inclement weather we have been experiencing, the project seems to be on track. I had another biweekly progress meeting after this issue of the Villager went to press, so please watch minervapark.org/dam for updated information. •

Committee Meetings - Residents are invited to attend and observe committee meetings. Dates and times are posted at the Community Building, Pool, Playground, minervapark.org, or call 614-882-5743.

Community, Russell Dobbins, rdobbins@minervapark.org or 614-565-3965. No report submitted.

Safety, Scott Hansan, shansan@minervapark.org or 614-302-2433. No report submitted.

Service, Brian Wolf, bwolf@minervapark.org or 614-948-2372. No report submitted.

Legislation, Jennifer Pauken,jpauken@minervapark.org or 614-891-5880. There are several legislative items that residents may want to take notice of. First are the two resolutions (2017-17 and 2017-18) that relate to the possible purchase of the office building at 2999 Dublin-Granville Road. A meeting is planned for June 4, where residents can learn more (pg 1). In the meantime, residents should feel free to contact any member of Council or the Mayor for more information.

Next, there is a handful of Planning & Zoning items underway, including revisions to the ordinances related to fences, dumpster screening, dish antennas, and grass and weeds. Related to these matters is an ordinance clarifying the roles of P&Z and Village administrative staff as they pertain to the permit process; this item currently is being drafted. The goal is to streamline the permit process to enable residents to tackle their projects faster and more efficiently.

The next legislative committee meeting will be July 24 at 6 p.m. This is a standing meeting that will occur each month before the second regular council meeting, and residents are welcome to attend.

There are several ways to review the Village’s resolutions and ordinances. Enacted legislation is posted at minervapark.org/legislation. Pending legislation is included in Council Meeting packets that are posted near the bottom of the home page, minervapark.org/#packets. Hard copies are available at the Community Building.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Finance, John Michels, jnmichels@minervapark.org or 614-273-9026. View Village financials at minervapark.org/fiscal.

Streets, Michael Braun, mbraun@minervapark.org or 614-406-3758. No report submitted. •

Annual Hydrant Flushing
By Chief Rick Hoechstetter
Minerva Park Fire Department

The Fire Department will flush the Village hydrants on Saturday, June 17. This annual project must be completed to ensure that all of our 98 hydrants are in proper working order.

Please make sure that any laundry is either completed before that day or can wait until the following day (Sunday). Flushing can stir up the orange muck that is commonly found in the bottom of waterlines, which may create orange stains on clothes washed during flushing or soon after. It’s best to wait for everything to settle so residential waterlines are clear.

If you have any questions about this or any other Fire Department project, please call us at 614-882-3375 or email firechief@minervapark.org.
What's Growing On?
Minerva Park – with an environment that supports plant growth with water, sunshine, and good soils – is rich in abundant plant growth. We enjoy juicy tomatoes, the shade of trees, and the beauty of annual flowers. We also get robust poison ivy, invasive euonymus, and bushes and trees growing where they should not.

Any vegetation growing over the curb must be 17’ above the paving of the street. This allows trucks (maximum height 13’6”) to pass under them, even when weighed down with snow. Shrubbery of any kind should not lean out over the curb, and plant material should never obscure street signs. Please check to see that plant growth is not beyond the edge of the street.

Driveway-to-street connections must maintain a sight triangle that has no plant material above 30” in height and have only trees with branches above 8’ in height. This allows cars, bicycles, and pedestrians to see and be seen when leaving and turning into and out of driveways. The triangle extends down the driveway 10’ and along the street a distance of 20’ from the edge of the driveway. A line stretching from the ends of these distances forms the “sight triangle.” Please maintain the sight triangle to provide a safe environment.

Street intersections have a similar sight triangle requirement. At intersections, the triangle extends 30’ down each street. Connecting the ends of these lines forms the triangular area where vegetation and other solid objects more than 30” above the center of the street and lower than 8’ are not permitted. Please, corner lot owners, maintain the sight triangle to help make Minerva Park streets safer.

Finally, trees start out small but grow into magnificent structures that add property value, provide shade (saving in expensive energy costs), and contribute greatly to the beauty of Minerva Park. Trees need to be maintained, just like fences or houses. Appropriate trimming and eventually removal are necessary. Please cut down dead trees near streets and structures to prevent damage and possible injury. Eventually the dead tree will come down. How it comes down is in your control.

Enjoy the summer, plants and all!

By Scott Doellinger, AIA Code Enforcement Officer

Sign Up Online
... to volunteer a few hours of service to your Village.

- Family Fun Night (at the pool on Jul 15) ... voluntearsignup.org/LRBCK
- Children’s Halloween Party (Oct 28) ... voluntearsignup.org/YRYMM

... or contact BettyAnn Zimmerman at 614-815-2257, bettyann@mympca.org.

The MPCA is pleased to welcome Pam Park-Curry and Lesa Brugger as our new Welcome Team. While they get settled in, if you are a new resident or have a new neighbor, please contact them at ppcurry@columbus.rr.com or LesaBrugger@hotmail.com with the contact information so we can deliver an MPCA Welcome Bag.

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Dave Blair

To Mayor Elect Dave Blair - here is a list of projects which I have compiled to help relieve the boredom of your upcoming tenure.

1. Establish a Minerva Park Navy, consisting possibly of several battleships and an aircraft carrier, but principally a mine sweeper. This can be used to pick up plastic bottles, and other floating stuff when not detonating Iranian mines, if any. Jim Fischer because of dependability and seniority be named fleet admiral.

2. Quietly buy up the vacant land south of the park, then construct a huge athletic and convention center on it. Get the jump on Werner et al., and at the same time solve the obnoxious ragweed problem. Where to get financing? - see idea #3

3. A ski run? - why not? We who ski find it very expensive and time consuming to travel to Lake Placid, Aspen or the Netherland Alps. Minerva Park could have its own fabulous slope with a little finagling, we have a natural site from the top of the dam, swiftly down and terminating on #8 green at the golf course.

4. How about a Minerva Park Dept of Conservation? Ornithologist and plumber is our choice for the slot. Recognized world wide as an authority on birds and is in demand as a tour conductor to exotic places all around the globe. There's no one better qualified to advise us on our flora and fauna. Ornith says never never use dynamite to get groundhogs from under the porch. His advice - move the house.

5. Merry Christmas!
Emergency Notifications

By Chief Kim Nuesse, MP Police Department

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Village Financials

If you have questions about information provided here, please call Fiscal Officer Kim Pulley at 614-882-5743.

April 2017
Beg balance Gen’l Fund $551,959
Receipts $126,326
Disbursements $(91,472)
Ending balance $586,813

Coffee with Council

Residents are invited ...
Monday, June 19
7:00 p Community Building
to have “Coffee with Council.”
This is your opportunity to meet
with your Council Members and
discuss Village issues.

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MPCA President Dani Wolf ......................614-937-1994

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1st Monday of each month. Residents are invited to submit
articles & other items of interest. Use the drop box inside the
front door at the Community Building. The Villager reserves
the right to refuse publication of any item submitted. All items
presented for publication must include the contributor’s
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Next deadline: Wednesday, June 14, 5p

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