



Village of South Russell

~Newsletter~



From the Mayor...

Controlling storm water continues to be a top priority of the Village. Council will soon decide to accept or reject the \$188,000 Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant offered to the Village to capture storm water. Water from Kensington Green flows south of Village Hall to Chagrin Lakes. The grant will allow the Village to build a retention pond south of Village Hall to slowly release the water to Chagrin Lakes, reducing damage done to the infrastructure of Chagrin Lakes.

The July 4, 2018 storm resulted in 64 residents reporting property damage, including water in basements or other flooding. This information was collected by the Village for use in applying for grants and assistance in controlling storm water that flows through the village.

In other news, the Village received a grant of \$123,000 to rebuild the Lake Louise Bridge which is expected to cost \$246,000. Construction should occur late in 2019.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources recently awarded the Village over \$23,000 to build a playground southeast of the pavilion. With a generous donation of \$50,000 already in hand, we are on our way to the \$120,000 needed to construct the playground.

The Village was fortunate enough to sell our 1992 snow plow for over \$12,000.

The Village has adopted "no engine brake" legislation which disallows large trucks from using engine brakes to slow down. Enforcement began in mid-November.

Sincerely,
Bill Koons, Mayor

WISHING YOU
PEACE AND HAPPINESS
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON
AND ALWAYS!
WE SEND BEST WISHES
TO OUR NEIGHBORS,
FRIENDS AND BUSINESSES
FOR A HEALTHY AND
PROSPEROUS
2019

**It Feels Good to Give ... Give
the Gift of Life!**

The American Red Cross will be
holding a Blood Drive on
December 26, 2018
1:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Gurney Elementary School
1155 Bell Road
South Russell

Winter Reminders

The 2018-2019 winter season is here and the Service Department's equipment is ready to handle any snowy conditions that Mother Nature delivers! The Village takes pride in keeping our roadways clear and safe during the winter months and asks for your assistance by keeping the following things in mind:

A Parking Ban will be declared between November 15th through April 15th whenever there are two or more inches of snow on any Village street or the National Weather Service forecasts a severe snowstorm warning. Parking is **NOT** allowed on **ANY** street in the community during a ban to ensure the streets are open for plowing.

When having social events over the holiday season, all vehicles should be parked on the same side of the road and **NOT** in the cul-de-sacs. All overnight parking without previous approval from the Police Department is prohibited and may result in early morning towing.

Weekly trash pickup containers must be placed off the road surface and to one side of your driveway apron. **Do not place containers in the roadway.**

When plowing or shoveling snow from driveways or sidewalks, **do not push or blow snow across Village streets.** All hydrants must be free of snow as well.

For more details, please visit www.southerussell.com

Winter Weather Driving Tips



- * Steer into a skid.
- * Know what your brakes will do: *stomp* on *antilock* brakes, *pump* on *non-antilock* brakes.
- * Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning—nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. Give yourself time to maneuver by driving slowly.
- * The normal dry pavement following distance of three to four seconds should be increased to eight to ten seconds, or longer if necessary. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.

Can We Find You in an Emergency?

In an emergency, police, fire and rescue workers depend on **house numbers** to find you as quickly as possible. Finding your home—especially at night—can be challenging if address numbers are unreadable, hidden, unlighted, or have missing numbers and may delay emergency services in locating your home:

- Post your house number on BOTH sides of your mailbox
- Be sure that the view of the numbers is not obstructed by vegetation or decorations
- Numbers should be a contrasting color to the background
- Numbers should also be placed on, above, or at the side of the main entrance, so that they can be easily detected from the street

Another consideration is that depending on the emergency, we may have mutual aid assistance responding from a neighboring agency, and they may not be familiar with the streets and numbering, particularly those streets with gaps in numbering. This is all the more reason to have a house number clearly posted near your front door as well as your mailbox.

Be sure to make your estimated tax payments on time!

Individual Estimates are due January 15, 2019.

For more information:

ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us/?p=faq

Fall Festival Update



The picture perfect weather this year made for a wonderful community gathering for the annual South Russell Village Fall Festival. Fun was had by all with activities that included face painting, pony rides, rock wall climbing, bouncy houses, hay rides, the Chagrin Valley Fire Prevention trailer, the Metro General Hospital Life Flight helicopter, apple cider press demonstrations, and bubbles filling the air!

For many, the highlight of the day was the complimentary lunch of hotdogs, chips, and cookies served to the residents by Village staff and community volunteers.

The Village thanks the Park Committee members for all their time and dedication in planning this wonderful event, as well as all the volunteers and employees who worked together to create a memorable fall tradition!

Banish the Winter Blues!

Check out the South Russell Village Park Playground proposal at www.southerussell.com.



Email questions and comments for Mayor and Council through fiscalofficer@southerussell.com.

Village Boards and Committee Members

In addition to work performed by the South Russell elected officials and employees, many residents volunteer their time serving on various boards and committees to help oversee the business of the village.

Residents currently serving on the boards and committees include:

Architectural Board of Review: Gary Neola, Denis Marino and Ryan Parsons

Parks Committee: Greg Pike, Gerald Canton, Martha Bistriz, Bill Howell, and Ted Kruse

Planning Commission: Steve Latkovic, John Dishong, James Flaiz, Dennis Galicki, and Bill Koons

Public Records Commission: Mary Ann Keesler

Tax Board of Review: Tom King, Bob McIlroy and Greg Pike

Zoning Board of Appeals: David Maistros, Andy Hitchcock, George Clemens, Laura LaChapelle, and Terry Brennan

Village Meetings

Council – Meets the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Meetings in June, July, August and December will be held on the second Monday of the month only at 7:30 p.m.

Architectural Review Board – Meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission – Meets the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals— Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings are posted on the home page of the Village's website at www.southerussell.com



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Village Council Meetings

Upcoming Village Council meetings:

January 14th & 28th at 7:30 p.m.

February 11th & 25th at 7:30 p.m.

March 11th & 25th at 7:30 p.m.

April 8th & 22th at 7:30 p.m.

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2018—2019 Village Business Holiday Schedule

Business Hours:

Village Hall and Building Department

Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Service Department

Monday—Friday 7:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Closed:

Christmas, December 25, 2018

Martin Luther King Day, January 21, 2019

Presidents' Day, February 18, 2019

South Russell Village

Village Hall	338-6700 ext. 221
Building Dept.	338-6700 ext. 233
Streets Dept.	338-6700 ext. 236
Police Dept.	338-6700 ext. 2000



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Spring 2019 Edition

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SPRING TRASH DAY

April 27th, 2019 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.



Accepted items: General trash and debris, items containing freon (refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, and air conditioners), scrap metal, white metal (appliances), computer and electronic equipment, batteries and **TIRES!**



NO Yard waste, hazardous household chemicals, or containers with liquified products accepted. See www.gottagogreen.org for special Geauga-Trumbull collection dates and locations.

SENIOR CITIZEN TRASH COLLECTION

WEST END OF VILLAGE

(INCLUDES HOMES ON CHILLICOTHE RD.)

APRIL 24, 2019

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

EAST END OF VILLAGE

APRIL 25, 2019

8:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Seniors, 60 years of age or older and living in South Russell Village **AND**
- Seniors must be **registered** with the Geauga County Department on Aging prior to pick-up. Call (440) 279-2130 OR (440) 279-2129 to register.
- This service is **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE** and is limited
- You or a representative 18 years or older **MUST** be home the day of pick-up to sign a release for collection..

GUIDELINES:

- **NO** liquids, paints, hazardous household chemicals, construction debris, rocks, yard waste, or household garbage.
- **ONLY 10** household items per home.
- Limit of **4 tires** (off rims) permitted as well as appliances, electronics, etc.
- Items should be consolidated (in boxes), and placed outside in the driveway (**NOT** Curbside).

From the Mayor

Storm Water Update



The Village received confirmation from the Ohio EPA of the successful application for a \$112,120 storm water grant to mitigate the water flow that passes behind Village Hall, under Chillicothe Rd., and on to Chagrin Lakes. The Village's share of the project is \$74,748, for a total project cost of \$186,868. Construction of a retention pond directly south of Village Hall is anticipated to begin in late 2019 or spring of 2020. Council also approved the *application* of a second Ohio EPA 319 grant for \$276,000 to address storm water issues in the Village. The proposed project will involve the area west of the intersection of Chillicothe Road and Manor Brook Drive, with the creation of approximately 1,400 feet of stream enhancement designed to mitigate the water flowing from Bel Meadow, under Chillicothe Rd. and south to Fox Run and beyond. The total project cost is estimated at \$460,000 with the Village's share to be \$184,000.

IT WILL BE A CLEAN SWEEP FOR SOUTH RUSSELL VILLAGE



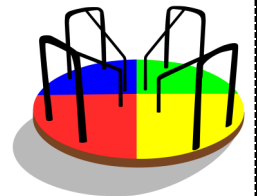
As the winter of 2018-19 comes to an end, the South Russell Service Department is making plans for spring. Anticipating only one or two more snowfalls, sweeping of the Village streets will begin about the first week of **May (about May 6th, 2019)** as weather and conditions permit.

All Village streets, cul-de-sacs and turnarounds will be swept to remove winter debris. To prepare, residents may rake remaining plowed materials such as stone or gravel to the road's edge. Streets with a current gravel berm should not place this material on the hard asphalt road surface.

Spring is also a good time to inspect ditchlines and driveway culvert pipes. Both are the responsibility of each homeowner to maintain and should be kept clear of leaves, limbs and tall grasses. Leaf piles and debris can cause blockages and should not be in the village right-of-way. No standing water should be present.

South Russell Village Park Playground Update

At the January 28th Council meeting, by a vote of 6-0, Council approved a resolution to construct a "state of the art" playground in the South Russell Village Park. The playground promises to enhance the Bell Road side of the park and benefit families for years to come. Ground preparation will begin in May and weather permitting, construction of the playground will be complete this summer. The dedication will take place during the annual Fall Festival.



Coffee with Cops Senior Presentation



The South Russell Police Department invites you to join us at the Lantern of Chagrin Valley, 5277 Chillicothe Road, South Russell, for our annual Senior Presentation "Coffee with Cops" on Monday, April 15, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Officers will provide updated information on recent scams targeting seniors and home safety tips. Share your stories with local law enforcement over coffee and donuts. Open to the public. Any and all ages are welcome!

Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce Concerts

Yachtly Crue: Tuesday, June 18

University Heights Symphonic Band: Tuesday, July 23

These are free concerts and will take place in South Russell Village Park at 7:00 p.m.



Save the Date!

The South Russell Police Department's 7th annual Cops & Kids Fishing event will be held Sunday, June 9th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bellwood Lake. Check the SRV Police Facebook page for more details.



The Village of South Russell is looking for two resident volunteers to sit on the Tax Board of Review. The purpose of this Board is to review penalty and interest abatement requests; therefore, a background or understanding of finances is beneficial. Council will be soliciting letters of interest until April 5, 2019. Please email your interest letter including your background and experience to the Fiscal Officer at fiscalofficer@southrussell.com

TAXES DUE



Municipal income tax returns are due April 15, 2019. All residents 18 years of age and older are required to file an annual return with the Central Collection Agency (CCA). Local income tax withheld by your employer does **not** fulfill your obligation to file a tax return. Local ordinance provides for both penalty and interest charges to be assessed for late filing or non-filing.

Retired residents are required to file the **Annual Exemption Certificate** each year.

Need assistance with your South Russell Municipal Tax Return?

CCA – Division of Taxation has designated specific Auditors to assist you with any South Russell municipal income tax matter. For personalized service, please contact: Deneen Wray 216-664-1786 or you can reach any CCA auditor by calling the main office at 216-664-2070.

For tax forms or to file electronically, please go to www.ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us



The Geauga County Hunger Task Force (GHTF) was founded in 1977 to serve the emergency food needs of Geauga

County. It is a volunteer-driven organization that provides support to seven independent food pantries, meals for young adults at NextStep, and home-delivered meals to disabled residents under 60. For more information:

info@geaugahungertaskforce.org



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(includes engraved paver)

For more information, contact Danielle Romanowski,

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June 10th at 7:30 p.m.

July 8th at 7:30 p.m.

August 12th at 7:30 p.m.

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police@southerussell.com

Building Department

440-338-6700 ext 233

building@southerussell.com



Power in Numbers!

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Summer 2019 Edition

Military Veterans Memorial

Residents are invited to attend an information meeting about a possible memorial to honor veterans who served in the five branches of the military. A committee has been formed to consider the placement of military flags within the Village. Four locations are being considered; South Russell Village Park on Bell Road, the southwest corner of Bell Rd. and Chillicothe Rd., Village Hall, and the South Russell Village Cemetery.

Your comments, suggestions and support are welcome. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at South Russell Village Hall.



A Friendly Reminder from South Russell Police Department...

As the warm weather moves in, the police department would like to inform pet owners of some recent changes to the law regarding **Animals Running at Large**. No person shall allow animals to run at large upon any public way, unenclosed land, or upon any private property where notice is posted that animals must be on a leash, other than private property owned by the person having control of such animal. Dogs must be kept under control as defined in **Section 618.19(b)(1), (2), and (3) of the South Russell Codified Ordinances**. No person shall **fail to remove and properly dispose of fecal matter** that may be deposited on the ground in any Village Park or on private property not owned by the person having control of such animal.

If you have any questions, please contact **Police Chief Rizzo at 440-338-7611**.



Road Program

The proposed roads scheduled for repair and/or reconstruction are Ashleigh Dr., West Bel Meadow Ln., the apron of the East Washington St. entrance of South Russell Village Park, widening of the Police Department driveway to accommodate two way traffic, and overlay of the deteriorating concrete slabs in the parking area of Village Hall. The completion date is 30 days from the start of work, but no later than September 6, 2019.

Building Department Update

After careful consideration and research, the South Russell Village Council voted on May 13, 2019 to transition the Building Department to operate in a part-time capacity. The new hours will begin June 3, 2019 and the Department will be open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (closed for lunch 12:00 – 12:45).

The Building Department will continue to answer questions about permits and finding contractors. While permits are usually not required for repairs, replacement of a furnace, air-conditioning, roof, hot water tank, siding, and windows do require permits and inspections. Other work requiring permits are decks, fences, sheds, electrical work, additions, and interior remodeling. Even when homeowners do the work themselves, permits are still required. Safety is always our primary concern, especially with mechanical systems and electrical work.

Yard Maintenance

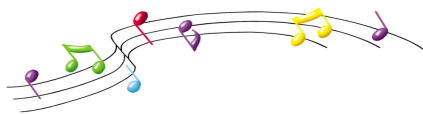
Summer and the growing season are here! The Village of South Russell Ordinance 2001-31, Section 1a, requires that residents must keep property free and clear from all noxious weeds and rank vegetation and, where a grass lawn exists, to keep the average height of the grasses of said lawn to no greater than eight inches at all times. Thank you for helping to keep South Russell Village beautiful!



Retired Flag Drop Off

Properly dispose of your used, worn flags! South Russell Village has a worn flag collection mailbox (painted with stars and stripes) located on the Village campus at the corner of the Service Department building. The flags collected throughout the year are gathered annually to be properly disposed of at a formal ceremony on Flag Day.

REMINDER: Flag Day is Friday, June 14th!



Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce Presents:

**Summer Concerts
In South Russell Village Park
1000 Bell Road, South Russell**

Yachtly Crue: June 18, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

**University Heights Symphonic Band
July 17, 2019, 7:00 p.m.**



Reserve the Pavilion

You can rent the South Russell Park pavilion for your next Homeowner's Association picnic, graduation party, birthday party or class reunion! The Park Pavilion is available to rent for \$25.00. See the Parks page at www.southrussell.com

Save the date

**Geauga Fresh Farmers' Market
May 11—October 12, 2019
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. - Noon**

**South Russell Village Campus
Free Concerts in the Park
June 18 and July 17, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
South Russell Village Park**

**South Russell Police Department
Charity Car Show
Sunday, August 4, 2019
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
South Russell Village Campus**

**South Russell Village Fall Festival
Sunday, September 15, 2019
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
South Russell Village Park**

**Shredding Day
Saturday, October 12, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**



South Russell Police Department Charity Car Show

The South Russell Police Department will be hosting the 1st Annual Charity Car Show on **Sunday, August 4th from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m.**

Participants wishing to enter a vehicle are encouraged to register via email to srpdcarshow@gmail.com or leave a message with Sgt. Todd Pocek at 440-338-6700 extension #228. (Fee \$20)

The event will include a 50/50 raffle, multiple auctions, and prizes for participants.

**Sponsored by Ganley Chevrolet of Aurora,
Hattenbach Company, and KEI Carbody.**



Open to the public and FREE ADMISSION!

Vacation Watch Program

The South Russell Police Department encourages you to take advantage of the **Vacation Watch Program!** Contact the Police Department at (440) 338-7611 or use the online form to request your residence be placed on the watch list. Officers will visually and physically check your doors and windows to ensure security and inspect for damage, tampering, or signs of unusual activity. On your return, a log of the officers' checks and any activity noted can be emailed to you or picked up at the Police Department.



Register Your Pet

Log on to www.southrussell.com and scroll to "Register your Pet."

Provide us with the details of your pet. Once added to our database, your pet information will be available to the police department in case it is lost or stolen.

Important Severe Weather Information

Tornado warnings are issued by the local National Weather Service Office. As severe weather develops this season, keep in mind that a tornado warning means that a tornado is imminent, occurring, or expected to develop.



If a tornado warning is issued in Cuyahoga County OR an adjacent county, the Chagrin Valley Dispatch Center will activate our tornado siren. The siren will sound for a 3-minute cycle and repeat every 15 minutes while the tornado warning is in effect. Although

local weather conditions may not indicate severe weather, the siren may activate as a storm event approaches our area.

Please do not call the dispatch center to inquire why the siren was activated. The dispatchers may be handling emergency telephone and radio traffic as a storm passes through other communities in its path.

Questions may be directed to Police Chief Mike Rizzo at 440-557-5535.

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Fireworks and the Law

As the Fourth of July holiday is approaching, we would like to remind our residents about the use of fireworks within the Village limits.

The current Ohio State Fire Code does not allow for any type of fireworks to be shot off within the State of Ohio with the exception of sparklers and snakes. All other types of fireworks require a permit from the State Fire Marshal's Office as well as a licensed technician to set them off. Additionally, there must be a fire official present and fire protection readily available.

In the interest of personal safety, the Village asks everyone to refrain from using any illegal fireworks and cautions that complaints will be investigated and could result in confiscation and a citation.



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SOUTH RUSSELL VILLAGE FALL FESTIVAL

The fourteenth annual Fall Festival will take place Sunday, September 15th from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. at South Russell Village Park. There will be free food, drink, and family-friendly entertainment. Parking will be available at Gurney School with free rides in the trolley to the Village Park.

The celebration will include the grand opening of the new playground at the park. With a generous donation from Ike and Ann Tripp and a grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, this playground has already been a big hit. Surrounding the playground will be seven benches donated by residents. The Village is seeking donors for nine trees at the cost of \$600 each to complete the landscaping of the playground.



Election Day Tuesday, November 5th

The Village of South Russell will have a Safety levy renewal on the November 5th ballot. A levy renewal maintains but does not increase taxes. A renewal of the 2005 levy will continue to provide \$411,274 a year to the Safety Fund.

Shredding Day

South Russell Village will provide document/paper shredding on Saturday, October 12, 2019, 9:00 a.m. – Noon in the Village Hall parking lot. This service is offered to South Russell residents at no charge! Protect your identity and dispose of your records securely!



A committee has been formed to consider the creation of a Memorial Park display of flags honoring the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy, and Marine Corps. Possible locations are the Village Hall, the corner of Bell Rd. and Chillicothe Rd., the Cemetery, and South Russell Village Park. The next meeting will be on Monday, September 9th at 9:00 a.m. at Village Hall and is open to the public.

First Responders Week



September 9th—15th is First Responders' week. Please consider replacing your outdoor lights with red and blue lights as a part of the salute to our first responders.

Voter Registration Information

The deadline to register to vote in the November 5, 2019 General Election is **October 7th, 2019**.

Registration or change of address may be done at any public library branch, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, high schools or vocational schools, Office of the Board of Elections, or by mail.

Anyone who is registered to vote may do so by **Absentee Ballot**. A separate application must be completed for EACH election. Applications can be found on the Board of Election website <https://boelections.co.geauga.oh.us> or by contacting the Board of Elections. If returning the ballot by mail, it must be postmarked by the day before the election. If returning it to the Board of Elections, it must be submitted by 7:30 pm election night.

BACK TO SCHOOL

With schools back in session, please be observant of the School Zone Speed Limit. When flashing, the speed limit is 20 mph.

Likewise, note that it is **ILLEGAL** to go around a stopped school bus. Please keep our children safe by adhering to these rules!



Volunteers Needed

The Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Commission are made up of community volunteers who serve residents by helping implement Village standards. These boards meet once per month when needed. For those interested, please email resumes with a letter of interest to: fiscalofficer@southerussell.com



Job Opportunities

The Village of South Russell is accepting applications for the following:

Part-time Administrative Assistant/Board Clerk

The qualified candidate will be service-oriented, have strong organizational skills with attention to detail, and enjoy working both collaboratively as well as independently. Proficient use of computers and Microsoft Word is required. Knowledge of BDS software and/or transcription experience is a plus.

Part-time Zoning Inspector

Qualified candidates will have experience in interpreting zoning code, investigating complaints and non-compliance, conducting inspections and enforcing regulations. Must be service-oriented, have good communication skills, enjoy working with others and be able to attend all Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings.

Please submit resumes to: fiscalofficer@southerussell.com

Know Your Utilities

Residents are encouraged to know their utility providers and contact them in the event of service interruption. The following are a few of the main service providers in South Russell:

WATER SERVICE:

The west end of the Village (including Fairview Road, Mapleridge Road, Fernwood Road, Laurel Road, Hazelwood Drive), Bell Road from the South Russell/Chagrin Falls Corporation line eastward to Laurel Road, and the business/commercial area on East Washington Street are **all serviced for water by the Village of Chagrin Falls**. To report issues, contact **Chagrin Falls Water Department: 440-247-5050** during regular business hours, or the after hours duty employee at the **Utilities Department: 440-247-5051**.

Several Village developments such as Whitetail and Paw Paw Lake have their own water system and should contact their **Homeowners Association or Management Company** if issues arise. The remainder of South Russell Village homes are on private wells. Homeowners should contact their service providers in the event of well or pump failure.

SANITARY SEWERS/WASTEWATER:

Most South Russell Village residents are on the Geauga County Sanitary Sewer System, which is maintained and operated by Geauga County. This system includes all homes and developments west of Bellwood Lakes to the Chagrin Falls Corporation line on Bell Road and those on Chillicothe Road. Sanitary Sewer System issues should be directed to the **Gauga County Department of Water Resources 440-279-1970**

FIRST ENERGY:

To report a power outage, call **1-888-LIGHTSS (1-888-544-4877)** or **report your outage online**.

First Energy is the electrical supplier for the Village of South Russell. In the event of a power outage, contact First Energy at the number listed above. Don't presume it has been reported! Affected areas are prioritized by the **reported number of outages!**

DO NOT attempt to remove downed lines because they may still be energized. Even if it is a downed phone or cable line, **do not touch** the wire because it may be in contact with electrical lines in another area.

DOMINION EAST OHIO GAS:

Customer service is available **7 a.m. - 7 p.m., Monday – Friday—1-800-362-7557**

For emergency service, **24 hours a day—1-877-542-2630**

Dominion East Ohio is the gas provider for South Russell Village. For normal service information use the customer Service number above. The gas company put an additive into the natural gas that smells like rotten eggs. This is for your safety. In the event you have an appliance failure (furnace, hot water tank, dryer, fireplace gas logs) and you smell the rotten egg odor, **DO NOT** turn on or off any switches, leave the premises immediately, and call 911.

In the event of a broken service line while doing earth excavation, contact 911 and evacuate the area.

Save the Date

Gauga Fresh Farmers' Market
May 11—October 12, 2019
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

South Russell Village Fall Festival
Sunday, September 15, 2019
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
South Russell Village Park

Shredding Day
Saturday, October 12, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Halloween Trick-or-Treat
Thursday, October 31, 2019
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

South Russell Village Cemetery

South Russell Village Cemetery is located at 5230 Chillicothe Road. The Cemetery map can be viewed in Village Hall or on the Cemetery page at www.southerussell.com



Full Size Lots

Village Resident: \$1,000

Prior Resident: \$2,000

Cremation Lots

Village Resident: \$1,000

Prior Resident: \$2,000

Scattering/Memorial Garden

\$350 ~\$450 (includes engraved paver)

For more information, contact Danielle Romanowski,
fiscalofficer@southerussell.com or (440) 338-6700 x 221



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Village Council Meetings

Upcoming Village Council meetings:

September 9th and 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

October 14th and 28th at 7:30 p.m.

November 11th and 25th at 7:30 p.m.

December 9th at 7:30 p.m.

If you would like to be added to the meeting agenda please contact fiscalofficer@southrussell.com or call 440-338-6700 ext. 221 no later than the Wednesday before a meeting.

There is a 5-minute limit to address Council.

The meeting agenda can be found on the Village calendar link at southrussell.com

Village of South Russell Contact Numbers

Village Hall

440-338-6700 ext. 222

fiscalofficer@southrussell.com

Street Department

440 338-6700 ext. 236

streets@southrussell.com

Police Department

440-338-6700 ext. 2000 (non-emergency)

police@southrussell.com

Building Department

440-338-6700 ext 233

building@southrussell.com



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