The Village of Sugar Bush Knolls, Ohio January 2022

\$\$\$\$: Thanks to Council President Jeff Coffee and Clerk-Treasurer Bill Elder for their efforts in completing a COVID grant application that has netted the Village \$ 9,590.27. In a future newsletter, we will update you as to the details of use once they are revealed. The details of where and how these funds may be used has yet to be noted by the federal government approving the grant, but we're thankful for the funds.

Recycling: The Village has signed a six-month contract with Kimble Companies to pick-up the recycling weekly, on Tuesdays, beginning January 4th. Please make sure you have both your trash and recycling out by 6 AM Tuesday mornings and please allow ample space between the two bins so the crew has no trouble using the automated system on their trucks.

Recycling, part 2: Now for the elephant wandering the Village. Kimble, along with many other companies across the country, are having problems with staffing between COVID, the lack of people who wish to work and the competition between companies for driver/operators. We realize we have had delayed service for 4 out of the last 6 weeks. We have been in contact with the company and all sides are working to resolve this issue. We hope 2022 will see a return to Tuesday only pick-ups. Time will tell.

If you have any issues with your trash or recycling, please contact Elizabeth Hartley at 216.244.4730 (call or text) or via e-mail to <u>sugarbushknolls.ehartley@gmail.com</u>. Please include your name, address, phone number or e-mail and a description of the issue. We will seek to resolve any and all issues as quickly as possible.

Roads: Residents are reminded that when the snow is falling, and especially if it reaches 2 inches or more, all cars must be parked off the street at all hours to allow for plowing, salting and for safe travel.

Lakes: Christmas Tree Disposal: Please do not place any Christmas trees or other form of plant, chemical, or aquatic being in the lake. Village ordinances prohibit such actions.

Council: In the first council meeting of 2022, four council people will be sworn in for a 4-year term each. Elected in November 2021 were Jeff Coffee, Elizabeth Hartley, and John Palik. All are returning council members. Two citizens volunteered to fill the vacancy. After an application, interview and review process, as noted in the last newsletter, Brandon Beeson was chosen for the position. Thank you to all four who will be serving our Village.

Thanks also goes to Amy Mucha, who also went through the process. It turns out we may have found a "padawan" (a la the Star Wars series) for the Clerk-Treasurer. Amy has worked in administration and has successfully started her own business among her many other talents, skills and responsibilities. Thank you, Amy, for your willingness to serve, learn and be an understudy to Bill Elder.

We'd also like to thank Amy and her husband Nate for hosting the Village Social held in October. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by many. We hope to have more of these get-togethers in the Village.

We wish you all the best for a happy, healthy, prosperous New Year, Respectfully,

Mayor John Guidubaldi, Clerk-Treasurer William Elder, Council President Jeff Coffee, and council members Elizabeth Hartley, Nicholas Jordan, Jason Noble, John Palik, and Jon Stein