

## *Update from the mayor - Village of Galena*



Dear friends, neighbors, and Village residents. Football season has arrived, and kids are back at school, and I trust that everyone is preparing for fall activities.

As mayor of our beautiful and historic Village of Galena, I wanted to share a brief update as to news and activities underway that are of interest to our residents.

### Fall Activities in the Village

- **Safety & Security – Village Square**
  - New sidewalks will be installed on center square to encourage better use of crosswalks
  - A new crosswalk and speed table will be installed on the Square
  - 4-Way stop signs will be added on Columbus Street, West & Front Streets
- **Miller Park Improvements**
  - A new pavilion will be started with phase 1 completion in 2025. Phase 1 will include the initial structure. The pavilion will take the shape of the village's historic train station that was lost to fire in 19xx. Phase II will begin in 2026 will include utilities (water, electric, sewer), bathrooms, etc.
  - A speed table will be installed on Walnut Street as a safety feature and serve as a crosswalk between Miller Park and the Cemetery.
- **Fiscal Responsibility**
  - The Village has saved over 1 million dollars by incorporating our new maintenance building into the existing waste-water facility. This creative approach allowed the village to avoid “standalone” construction. The new facility will be open and operational this fall.
  - The Village will save ~\$100,000/yr. by insourcing activities formerly contracted to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties.
- **Harrison St., High St., Church St. Grant**
  - The Village was awarded its largest grant in more than 25 years for infrastructure improvements. The repaving and widening of Harrison Street, and resurfacing of High and Church Streets is scheduled for 4Q25.

I am excited for the momentum that we are building here in the Village. Maintaining the historic charm and small-town atmosphere of the village, while managing the extensive growth in and around our community will remain my top priority. We want Galena to be an attractive place for people to call home! I would welcome a conversation with anyone interested in serving our community or knowing more. Feel free to send me an email at ([mayor@galenaohio.gov](mailto:mayor@galenaohio.gov)).

Respectfully,



Jeff Kinnell, Mayor, Village of Galena