

Mayor Kurtz's SwiftReach for Oct 15, 2021 – (Rev 1)

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HELLO, IT IS OCTOBER 15TH. PLEASE STAND BY FOR THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE – IT WILL REPEAT ONCE.

GOOD. FRIDAY. EVENING. THIS IS YOUR **MAYOR GREG KURTZ**.

I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT CITY COUNCIL HAS CONFIRMED ROBERT BUTLER TO BE THE NEXT CHIEF OF POLICE.

HIS COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP STYLE, COMMITMENT TO TRAINING AND HIS UNDERSTANDING OF 21ST CENTURY LAW ENFORCEMENT WILL ALLOW HIM TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING.

I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE LT. GREG TINNIRELLO WHO HAS SERVED AS INTERIM CHIEF. I APPRECIATE HIS LEADERSHIP, PROFESSIONALISM, AND DEDICATION TO THE CITY ESPECIALLY DURING THIS TIME OF TRANSITION.

ON THURSDAY I SWORE IN TWO NEW POLICE OFFICERS. ONE LIVES HERE IN INDEPENDENCE, THE OTHER IS A FORMER PARAMEDIC AND BOTH HAVE MILITARY BACKGROUNDS. THE CITY CONTINUES TO BOLSTER OUR PUBLIC SAFETY FORCES WITH BOOTS ON THE GROUND AND THE TECHNOLOGY NEEDED TO SERVE AND PROTECT.

EARLY VOTING HAS BEGUN IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL NOVEMBER 2ND TO CAST YOUR BALLOT. THERE IS IN-PERSON VOTING AT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND YOU CAN VOTE BY MAIL.

I'M NOT ON THE BALLOT, BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT IN EVERY ELECTION – **EVERY. VOTE. COUNTS.**

READ ABOUT THESE STORIES AND MORE IN MY WEEKLY UPDATE ON THE WEBSITE.

WE'RE HALF-WAY THROUGH OCTOBER, ENJOY THE FALL WEATHER WHILE IT LAST AND AS ALWAYS, GOD BLESS.

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