

## **Trumbull Township, Ashtabula County news and opinions**

In 1993 my son is born, John T. McMahan IV and so is the Great Lakes Medieval Faire in Trumbull Township through an entertaining business deal between the former Ashtabula County prosecutor Greg Brown who was in partnership with... regarding the 180 acre Camp Unalia and Larry Rickard, a businessman from Florida.....

In 1996, I wrote the History of Footville

The infamous Halloween Nights gets the community up in arms on the former Camp Unalia grounds, as Larry Rickard and his merry men, namely some members of the former Trumbull Township fire department join forces for the betterment of the health, safety and welfare of Trumbull Township.....

In 1998 I led the revitalization of the Township Park as Ruritan with other neighbors helping to revitalize John Gaynor Field, the cookout area, a new war memorial with gardens and park area for kids to play on a slide and swing set

In 2000, I led the cleanup of Riverdale Cemetery

In 2003, I made the motion to eliminate the private fire department, that my grandfather Erval A. Spafford, originally funded and eliminate the ambulance service and start a public, voter controlled new fire department and contract our ambulance service with the Northwest Ambulance District.

In 2004 I created the first Trumbull Township cemetery and parks Comprehensive Plan.

In 2008 I created the first Trumbull Township roads Comprehensive Plan

In 2008 was the flood, 10 inches of rain in 10 hours, 7pm to 5am. Trustee Ron Tamborrino led the trustees in acquiring 1.1 million dollars from FEMA in help to repair the roads from the flood. \$300,000 was later procured to repair White Road.

There have been 5 major road projects in the last 20 years including 3 on State Road, White Road and half of Hoffman Road.

In 2017 I led the cleanup of the White Road Cemetery that is currently kept up by Mr. Brummitt.

In 2020, I created a 10 point plan for abandoned buildings in Trumbull Township. I began the process of acquiring grant monies from the land bank and eliminating falling down structures in our Township with Eddy Echert in Jefferson as our contact.

In 2020, the Brennan Family create the lovely gardens in front of the Footville Church.

In 2021, a group from Rock creek did a fantastic job of cleaning up the Riverdale Cemetery.

In 2022, the second addition of the History of Footville came out along with 2 new books, The History of Footville (Lot 23) and the History of Trumbull and East Trumbull.