VILLAGE OF MARSHALLVILLE

Fall 2016

PROJECTS

The Village has been working on completing and planning several large projects this summer. First, at the time of printing, the Green Street Demonstration Project on Park Street is nearing completion. This project was fully funded by the Ohio Public Works Commission, the EPA, and the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. Take a walk and read the informational plaques to learn about the newest “Green” ideas to treat storm water runoff before it enters a stream or other body of water.

The State Route 94/North Main Street waterline project has received funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission’s Small Government Program. The project has just been advertised, and construction will be completed by December 1, 2016.

The American Municipal Power Solar Field Project is underway. The solar arrays will be installed beginning September 30th, and December 23rd is the anticipated date that electricity will begin being sold to the power grid.

The Multiple Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) tower is also beginning the construction phase on town property near the solar field. The tower is set to be completed by December, also. The tower is being constructed by the Wayne County Commissioners on land leased from the Village of Marshallville. The lease covers the cost of our dispatch services provided by the County. Once the tower is completed ownership of the tower will be transferred to the State of Ohio.

Paving project: we have a paving project to repair several streets this fall. Superior Paving won the bid process and paving will be done in October at a cost of $52,781.31. Stoll Dr, Monique Circle, and Short Street will be completely resurfaced. E. Market Street will be resurfaced from Chestnut Street east to the new pavement, and 600’ of Park Street will be resurfaced to repair a prior sewer repair area.

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf collection will begin Monday, October 24th. Collection is scheduled for Monday’s and Tuesday’s of each week with the last pick up scheduled for Tuesday, November 29th. Village workers will pick up resident’s leaves that are piled along the streets in the Devil Strip. **Please do not place the leaves on the roadway.** Also, please do not have any limbs or other foreign objects in the piles of leaves as they are a safety hazard to our employees and to our equipment. **If you live in Marshall Estates you will need to have your leaves along South Main Street as our equipment will not enter private property to collect leaves.** In the event of inclement weather leaf pick up may be delayed a day or two. Heavy rain and/or snow are the main factors for a delay.
INCOME SURVEY

Our Village Council members are currently conducting an income survey to try to qualify parts of our village for Low to Moderate Income (LMI) designation for grant applications. Our current Census data has the Village with a median household income of $54,444.00 which does not qualify us as LMI. We actually have the highest median household income in all of Wayne County. In order to help qualify us for future grant applications we need to conduct an income survey to try to designate areas of the Village as LMI. The survey is confidential, and involves answering a couple of questions: how many people live at your address and what is the gross household income? Once you answer these simple questions the survey is put into an envelope and will be compiled by Rural Communities Assistance Program (RCAP). Your name is not on the survey only the address. RCAP provides randomly generated addresses to be surveyed and compiles the data for us. We need 187 valid income surveys. It also needs to be completed by November 1st. If your address was randomly selected and a council member stops by we would appreciate your cooperation in completing the survey. It is extremely important for us in future grant applications.

Natural Gas Aggregation Program

If you haven’t joined the American Municipal Power Natural Gas Aggregation Program, in which Marshallville is a member, you are losing out on an opportunity to save money on your natural gas bill. Our new fixed rate beginning November 1, 2016 is $2.97 mcf. This is a decrease of $.26 compared to last year and will be in effect until October 2017.

How do I join?

You must call IGS Energy (the current contract holder) at 888-995-0992. When you call you must identify yourself as a Village of Marshallville resident, and the Village is a member of the American Municipal Power Natural Gas Aggregation Unit of Orrville, Wadsworth, Doylestown, and Marshallville.

I joined a couple of years ago. Do I have to renew every year?

No, once you have joined you automatically renew each year. You do not need to do anything.

How do I know what the rate will be?

American Municipal Power begins bidding out the gas contract for the upcoming year in June. The new contract price is usually known by the middle of September. They contact me via email, and I put the new rate on the bulletin board in front of the town hall as soon as I know the new rate. I also put it in the fall newsletter.

How do I know I am getting the best rate?

Since the AMP Gas Aggregation Program started there has not been a better 12 month fixed rate offered by any company.

Is the rate fixed or variable?

It is a 12 month fixed rate from November 1st to November 1st of each year.

I am a member of the AMP Natural Gas Aggregation Unit, but I still get phone calls from natural gas sellers asking me to join their company.

Natural gas sellers will continue to try to sell you their products, so if you don’t want to hear their sales pitches hang up. Also, from time to time they send door to door salesmen. Our ordinances don’t prohibit this, so remember you don’t have to open the door or talk to them. Even IGS tries to sell their gas programs by cold calling residents. Don’t be fooled.
Marshallville Utilities does not offer pool credits for pool water.

MAYOR’S OFFICE

I usually arrive at the office M-F between 8:30 and 9:00 AM, and I am usually there until early afternoon. The schedule is often interrupted with meetings, but if you call the town hall and leave a message I will return it the next business day or sooner.

INCOME TAX DELINQUENCIES

We are currently auditing delinquent income tax returns. If you received a letter please contact us before it goes to tax court. We can work with you to set up a payment plan. However, not responding to the letter will not benefit you and will cost additional interest and penalties. Also, if you have changed your tax status, i.e. new married name, etc., please contact us to allow us to update your information. We don’t know these things if you do not let us know.

UTILITY NEWS

Please be aware that your electric and water meters need to be accessible to be read. Please trim any obstructing bushes, remove obstacles, or any other obstructions that make it difficult or unsafe to read your meters. If meters cannot be easily accessed your monthly bill will be estimated. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Utility Payments may be made by mail or in person at Farmer’s State Bank. Remember they are always due on the 15th of each month, and delinquent bills are shut off on the 26th of the month.

* Please plan accordingly as utilities are due the same day each month.

* If you do not receive your bill by the 5th of the month please contact the utility office 330-855-5985.

You may have noticed some new faces working for the town. David Paul was hired as the part-time village maintenance worker with the retirement of Bill Lessiter. David served four years in the US Marine Corp and recently retired from Orrville Utilities.

Chuck Ogle is a retired utility operator and has been hired part-time as our operator of record for our Waste Water Treatment Plant. Chuck works two-three days per week.

Ben Shaffer has been hired as assistant utility operator, and is currently working full time and taking operator licensing classes.

Did you know Marshallville will be celebrating its 200th birthday in 2017?
OTHER ITEMS

Please note if you are trying to report some type of incident that is a non-emergency, but would like an officer to respond please call the Wayne County dispatch at 330-264-3333. They can contact our officers and will inform them of the call. Many times we will find messages on our town hall answering machine that are urgent, but the answering machine is not in the police department, and therefore the messages can’t be handled in a timely fashion. Please use dispatch to handle urgent, non-emergency needs. If you have an emergency please call 911.

Also, if you see someone or something unusual in town please report it. We have had several incidents of vandalism, and if all citizens keep an eye out for such incidents we can hopefully prevent them.

Do you have unlicensed, inoperable, or junk cars or car parts lying around on your property? Please be aware the village has an ordinance that prohibits these to be outside of a building. To avoid a citation keep all vehicles properly licensed, in operating condition, and all vehicle parts inside a building. Also, just because vehicle is in operable condition it will be in violation if it does not have current licensing.

Marshallville has an ordinance prohibiting the operation of these vehicles on the streets and public property. This includes the Rail-to-Trails owned property and farmers’ fields. Use of these vehicles on these properties is considered trespassing unless written permission is first obtained. Please call dispatch @330-264-3333 to have an officer address any complaints.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Important dates:

October 15th, Buckets and Beans Car Show will be held at the Marshallville Historical Society.

October 15th, at noon the Lions have a presale chicken barbecue. If you are on the call list of a Lions member, you will be called. If you are not on a Lions call list, you may order chicken by calling Marshallville Packing at 855-2871 by Tuesday, October 11th. Cost is $6.00 per half.

Thursday, October 27th, Trick-or-Treat, 6PM-7:30 PM: Why do we have trick-or-treat on the last Thursday of October? The answer goes back over 30 years. Wayne County Schools used to have a professional development day on the last Friday of October, so schools were closed. Students could enjoy an evening trick-or-treat and not have to go to school the next day. Over the years the professional development day ceased to exist, but the trick-or-treat date has remained. We are lucky enough to live in a safe community where we can still offer an evening of trick-or-treating, and the date has remained constant.

December 10th, Christmas in the Village at the Historical Society. Santa Claus will drop by at 7 PM to see the good girls and boys.

RECYCLING NEWS

Our new recycling containers have had an effect on our recycling tonnage. Our 2016 recycling total as of September 1, 2016, is 23.26 tons of recyclables. Last year for the same period our total was 16.24 tons.

WHERE TO DROP OFF YARD WASTE

Grass, Leaves, Branches, Stumps, Shrubs, Sod, Christmas Tress (no tinsel)

Unacceptable Materials: Lumber, Pallets, Railroad Ties, Wooden Furniture
There is no charge to drop off yard waste materials at the following community drop off locations. Contact 800-678-9839 for more information.

| Paradise Lawn Care | 6203 Akron Rd, Smithville | Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm (year-round) |

If you have other questions as to where to recycle different items go to this website: http://www.timetorecycle.org/ to find where to take items such as motor oil, electronics, etc.

**ZONING PERMITS**

Want to build a shed? A fence? Add on to your house? You will need to contact our zoning inspector at 855-5985 to get a zoning permit. This permit is necessary to get a building permit or to properly install a shed or fence. Failure to do this will result in the Wayne County Building Department declining your request for a building permit, or you may be required to move or remove a structure. Be safe and call to see if your project requires a zoning permit.

**THANK YOU’S**

Thanks goes out to the Lions Club for maintaining Memory Park; Marshallville American Legion Post 718 for the flags decorating our village; Gary Simpson and Shelly Fox for mowing the town hall area; Joe and Nancy Yoder and Alan and Martha Martin for maintaining the flowers at the park and Historical Society; Gary Romanchik for mowing Memory Park; and Lynn Martin for scheduling park rentals. These are all volunteer hours. Want to help out in the community? Why not contact and join one of our civic groups?

**SNOW PARKING BANS**

It isn’t that time yet, but we need to keep in mind that the village has a snow parking ban which goes into effect when the snow exceeds 3”. The mayor will enact the ban when conditions warrant. It will be announced on WQKT 104.5 FM and WKVX 960 AM. The parking ban will be in effect until the announced cancellation time. If you park on any village street or public parking lot your vehicle must be moved until the parking ban has expired. Owners who do not move their vehicles risk being plowed in, receiving a citation, and/or having their vehicle towed.

**OFTEN ASKED QUESTIONS**

*What are the setbacks needed for building a shed?*

A shed or any other building needs to be 10 feet off the side and rear lots in most cases.

*I have vermin (groundhogs, raccoons, squirrels, mice, etc) at my house causing problems. Do you take care of this for us?*

No, vermin are the property owners issue to deal with in a legal way. Firearms are prohibited from being fired within the Village.

*Is there an ordinance about setting out trash cans?*

Yes, the Village has an ordinance that sets the amount of time a trash receptacle can be at the curb. Basically, the receptacle may be set out the day before pickup and should be removed from the curb no later than 24 hours after pick up. The curb is not a storage site for your trash cans.
BARKING DOGS (AND CROWING ROOSTERS)
If you own a dog (or a crowing rooster) please remember it is the owner’s responsibility to keep the dog quiet and properly restrained. A barking dog may not bother you, but your neighbor may have a different opinion. Also, there have been some dogs roaming the village. Be sure your pet is properly restrained on your property and licensed. Dog complaints will be handled by the police department at 855-2491 or call dispatch at 264-3333. Please remember owning a pet takes time and responsibility, and if you do not have the time to put towards the animal maybe you should reconsider having one.

Leakage Can Be Costly

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Leakage estimates based on 50psi pressure

Source: Siskin-Aden Associates
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