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*We wish the Swanton community
a very happy, healthy, and
prosperous new year!*

2018 Infrastructure Projects

2018 will be a very busy year for the Swanton community as there will be multiple infrastructure projects spread across the Village. As construction begins, many may ask why the Village grouped all these projects in a short time frame. The short answer is: funding. The most expensive and elaborate project will be the replacement of the Garfield Avenue Bridge (near Memorial Park). This project will take approximately 4 months and will cost an estimated \$1.4 million. The Village applied for grant funding through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Municipal Bridge Program and will receive over \$850,000 in grant funding which became available in the 2018 fiscal year. Further, the Village applied for grant funding through the Ohio Public Works Commission program and will receive \$270,000 in grant funding towards this project. Funding availability is the most pressing reason this project had to wait until 2018 to commence.

The second most costly infrastructure project slated for 2018 is the Project 7 Sewer Separation which includes Lawrence Avenue, Harrison Avenue, a small portion of E. Garfield, and Church Street from Hallett Avenue west to Crestwood Drive. This is a state mandated project which must be completed by November 2018 per the requirements from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. This project is slated to cost approximately \$1.3 million. As with all the other sewer separation projects, the Village applied for grant and loan funding to cover the cost of this project.

The final major infrastructure project set for 2018 is a road improvement project on Church Street from Lincoln Avenue to east of Crestwood Drive. The proposed improvements will consist of reconstructing the pavement and widening it to 24 feet. Curb and gutter will be added to control and collect storm drainage. *(continued on page 5)*

2018 Budget Formulation

The 2018 temporary appropriations (see below for more details) were approved by Council on November 13, 2017. Appropriation is a fancy term which means monies approved to spend by Council. The Fiscal Officer meets with Division Heads quarterly to review appropriations and revenue. The budget formulation process begins in the Summer prior to submittal in the Fall. In September/October of each year a preliminary budget is presented to the Finance Committee. The Temporary Budget is approved no later than December 31 of each year. Final appropriations must be submitted to the State of Ohio no later than March 31 of each year. (continued on page 3)

		2018 Appropriations	2018 Est. Revenue	Fund Surplus (Deficit)
GENERAL FUND (1000)				
POLICE DEPARTMENT Subtotal		\$ 800,350.00		
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT Subtotal		\$ 216,050.00	\$ 1,868,670.00	\$ (403,172.50)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT Subtotal		\$ 1,255,442.50		
	TOTAL	\$ 2,271,842.50		
FIRE FUND (2901)				
FIRE DEPARTMENT Subtotal		\$ 540,850.00	\$ 578,000.00	
A.L.S. DIVISION Subtotal		\$ 645,300.00	\$ 595,000.00	\$ (13,150.00)
	TOTAL	\$ 1,186,150.00	\$ 1,173,000.00	
WATER FUND (5101)				
WATER TREATMENT PLANT Subtotal		\$ 718,995.00	\$ 1,815,150.00	\$ 46,075.00
WATER DISTRIBUTION Subtotal		\$ 1,050,080.00		
	TOTAL	\$ 1,769,075.00		
WASTE WATER FUND (5201)				
WASTE WATER TREATMENT Subtotal		\$ 548,200.00		
WASTE WATER COLLECTION Subtotal		\$ 385,457.94	\$ 816,000.00	\$ (117,657.94)
	TOTAL	\$ 933,657.94		
STORM WATER UTILITY FUND (5601)				
	TOTAL	\$ 1,993,822.03	\$ 1,558,200.00	\$ (435,622.03)
Street Construction, Maint (2011)				
	TOTAL	\$ 132,800.00	\$ 130,805.00	\$ (1,995.00)
State Highway (2021)				
	TOTAL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 11,040.00	\$ 9,040.00
Parks & Recreation (2041)				
	TOTAL	\$ 119,935.00	\$ 64,600.00	\$ (55,335.00)
Permissive (2101)				
	TOTAL	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 22,525.00	\$ (15,475.00)
Law Enforcement Trust (2091)				
	TOTAL	\$ -		
Capital Improvement Fund (4901)				
	TOTAL	\$ 2,190,157.00	\$ 1,820,866.00	\$ (369,291.00)
	Total All Funds	\$ 10,637,439.47	\$ 9,280,856.00	\$ (1,356,583.47)

Increase in Water and Sewer Rates effective January 1, 2018

Date	Monthly Base Rate Increase WATER	Usage Rate (per 1,000 gallons) Increase WATER	Monthly Base Rate Increase SEWER	Usage Rate (per 1,000 gallons) Increase SEWER
1/1/18- 12/31/18	\$1.27	\$0.16	\$1.17	\$0.27
1/1/19- 12/31/19	\$1.34	\$0.16	\$1.23	\$0.31
1/1/20- 12/31/20	\$1.40	\$0.17	\$1.29	\$0.29
1/1/21- until changed	\$1.35	\$0.17	\$1.25	\$0.30

Swanton Village Council approved rate changes for water and sewer services. A rate increases will go into effect each January 1 until amended. These increases come after a third-party rate analysis of the Village of Swanton's system, which was completed in Winter 2016-2017. Utility bills are due the 15th of each month.

Water and sewer are industries of rising costs due to expanding regulations at the State and Federal levels, deteriorating infrastructure as well as increasing operations and maintenance expenses. These systems are multi-million dollar assets that require sufficient funding to be maintained both at the present time and in the future.

Ohio Checkbook

In April of 2017, the Village of Swanton went live with OhioCheckbook.com. This user friendly website is an initiative out of the State Treasurer's office. Everyone is welcome to access this site. "I believe the people of Lucas County and Fulton County have a right to know how their tax money is being spent, and I applaud local leaders here for partnering with my office to post the finances on OhioCheckbook.com," State Treasurer Josh Mandel said in a statement. "By posting local government spending online, we are empowering taxpayers across Ohio to hold public officials accountable."

2018 Budget Formulation *(cont. from page 2)*

The revenue column of a few funds include grants and/or loans the Village will receive for various projects. The sewer separation project will be covered by a grant and a loan (illustrated in Storm Water Utility Fund revenue). It is anticipated that this loan will be close to \$1 million. The Garfield Bridge replacement will be funded by grants as reflected in the Capital Improvement Fund. The grants received for this project total over \$1.2 million. There are some funds will show a deficit and this is covered by the reserve which has been saved over the past couple years in order to cover the cost of future projects.





Our region has already experienced some snow falls. We ask everyone to be aware of the workers plowing snow. If you there is snow and ice, please remember to take it slow and allow enough room between you and the plow. Further, throughout snowfalls, of more than 2 inches, removing parked cars from the street allows for a more efficient snow removal. To avoid clearing your driveway entrance repeatedly, wait until the plow trucks have completely cleared the roadway curb to curb.





REPUBLIC SERVICES
 Village of Swanton
2018 Recycling Schedule



January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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25	26	27	28			

March						
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April						
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29	30					

May						
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27	28	29	30	31		

June						
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July						
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August						
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September						
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October						
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28	29	30	31			

November						
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December						
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Remember, your recycle day is the same as your trash day for the weeks highlighted in blue. Your scheduled pick up days have not changed.

■ Holiday

Rental Spaces

Looking for a place to host a graduation party, family reunion, bridal shower? The Village of Swanton offers two facilities to rent for small to medium size gatherings. Swanton Community Center can seat 60-75 comfortably. Memorial Park Pavilion has 13 picnic tables for use. More information ,on both of the facilities, including rental fees can be found on our website at villageofswantonohio.us.



Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday March 11. Please remember to move your clocks ahead one hour. It is also recommended to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms on this day.



Zoning Permits	issued	as of 12/19/2017
Type	Permits Issued	Total Fees
Accessory Structure	2	\$ 157.02
Residential Addition	9	\$ 901.50
Commercial Addition	3	\$ 319.64
New Commercial Const.	1	\$ 416.27
Single Family Dwelling	8	\$ 2,197.50
Fence	25	\$ 1,100.00
Pool	11	\$ 240.00
Shed	7	\$ 372.05
Sign	25	\$ 3,229.86
Total	91	\$ 8,933.84

Traffic Citation Counts as of 11/30/17	
DUI	30
Red Light	6
Speeding	92
Other	174
Total	302

Drug Take Back Total as of 11/30/17
276.75 lbs.

Assistance from SPD as of 11/30/17	
Citizens	1,628
County or State Hwy Patrol	157
Fire/Rescue	100
House/Business Checks	379
Total	2,264

Fire Division Year Totals as of 12/20/2017 <i>Total Runs: 983</i>	
EMS Runs	Fire Response
891	92

SPD Written Complaints as of 11/30/17	
Alarm drops	91
Animal/Dog bite	18
Assault	11
Breaking & Entering	7
Civil Matters	9
Criminal Damaging	25
Curfew Violation	1
Disturbing the Peace	20
Domestic	32
Drug Abuse	36
Harassment/Menacing	36
Juvenile Offenses	28
Lost/Recovered Property	6
Miscellaneous	100
Natural Deaths	8
Sex Offenses	4
Suicide/Threats	1
Suspicious Nature	15
Theft	47
Trespassing	9
Vandalism	5
Weapons/Explosives	3
Total	512

2018 Infrastructure Projects (cont. from page 1)

Sidewalks will be replaced and/or added where necessary. New storm sewer inlets will be provided which will tie into the existing storm sewers as much as possible. There will also be minor adjustments to the horizontal alignment. The estimated project cost for this work is \$439,000. The Village will receive half of the funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission; the balance of the project will be paid for with Village funds.

The timeframe for these projects are weather contingent. Church Street road improvements are estimated to begin in April or May (approximately six week timeframe). Garfield Bridge replacement is expected to begin as early as June (approximately four month timeframe). Project 7 Sewer Separation will begin in late summer/early fall (approximately eight week timeframe).

The Village of Swanton officials are very well aware that these construction projects may inconvenience motorists and we do apologize for these inconveniences, however, officials are looking forward to the many infrastructure improvements as they relate to moving Swanton forward. If there are any questions related to the projects once they begin please contact the Village Administrator. Further, there will be a Community Forum held in April which will outline these projects as well as other meetings held in the Spring. Please stay tuned for the specific dates.

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Winter 2017 Meeting Times

Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.

January 8, 2018

(Committee of the Whole 6:00 p.m. Finance
6:30 p.m., Water & Sewer 7:45 p.m.)

**January 22, 2018, February 26, 2018, &
March 26, 2018**

(Public Service 6:00 p.m.,
Public Safety 6:30 p.m., Committee of the
Whole 7:45 p.m.)

February 12, 2018 & March 12, 2018
(Water & Sewer 6:00 p.m., Finance 6:30 p.m.)

Planning Commission (as needed) 6:30 p.m.

January 9, 2018

February 5, 2018

March 6, 2018

Tree Commission 6:00 p.m.

January 15, 2018

February 19, 2018

March 19, 2018

**Municipal Building CLOSED: January 1, 2, & 15
and February 19, 2018**

Typographical Errors: Our staff has made every effort to prepare this newsletter as accurately as possible, however, errors can occur. Circumstances may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. All typographical and printing errors are subject to corrections.