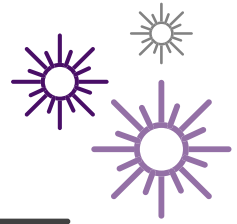


THE VILLAGE OF SWANTON

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Congratulations Chief Trejo!

Upon the recent resignation of Police Chief Adam Berg, Officer John Trejo was appointed as the new Village of Swanton Police Chief. Chief Trejo has over 25 years of law enforcement, with 22 of those years being in various positions with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office. Chief Trejo has been with Swanton Police Department since 2019 and has primarily worked midnights. We congratulate and look forward to Chief Trejo's leadership.



Capital Improvements

- **Projects 3, 11 & 12 - 3** - St. Richards Court & Brookside, 11 - Hickory, Oak, Elm, Maple & Birch St., 12 - Airport Hwy, South Main & Forrester Construction was proposed to begin this fall. The Village is in the process of rebidding the construction due to no submittals at the time of the bid opening in April. All of these areas will be resurfaced over the next few years as they work through each project area.
- **Munson Road:** The Village was awarded funding and those funds will be released around the beginning of July. At that time, the engineering work and construction bidding process will begin. Construction will hopefully begin within the first half of 2024.
- **Hallett Ave. Phase A:** Airport Hwy to Chestnut resurfacing. Estimated to begin Spring of 2024.
- **Hallett Ave. Phase B:** Church St. to Turnpike bridge. Estimated to begin Fall of 2025.
- **Crestwood:** This will be year four of submitting to the State for funding. Due to their point system process,

funding had been denied over the past several years. Given the age of the road, we have confidence that we will be awarded the proper points and receive funding. The Village will submit for funding again in the fall. Funds will hopefully be awarded spring of 2024 and released in summer of 2024.

Codified Ordinance Update

After a lengthy review by the Planning Commission of Title XV: Land Usage of the Village of Swanton's Codified Ordinance, the updates were approved after three readings and are now viewable through the website under Government>Other Resources>Legislation.

Village of Swanton

Fire Prevention Regulations

§ 91.25 FIRES TO BE CONFINED IN RECEPTACLES.

No person shall kindle any fire in or upon any of the streets, lanes, parks or any of the public places within the limits of the village, unless the same is confined within a proper and safe receptacle.

(1964 Code, § 549.06) (Ord. 92-20, passed 9-28-1992)
Penalty, see § 91.99

§ 91.26 FIRES PRODUCING SMOKE OR ODORS.

No person shall burn any garbage, refuse, rubbish, wet leaves or other material of any kind in such a manner as to produce dense smoke, fumes or odors which are offensive or injurious to any person or property.

(1964 Code, § 549.08) (Ord. 92-20, passed 9-28-1992)
Penalty, see § 91.99

Upcoming Events

Fireworks - July 1 - Memorial Park



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JULY 1, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

MEMORIAL PARK

400 S. Main Street

More info 419-826-9515

CommDevelop@villageofswantonohio.us



Code Enforcement Reminders:

§ 92.02 NUISANCE PROHIBITED; DEFINED.

Prohibited. No person or entity shall cause or permit a public nuisance to be or remain in or upon any structure, premises or other place, of which that person or entity is the owner, lessee, tenant or occupant.

(B) Definitions. For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

PUBLIC NUISANCE. A condition that exists when:

(a) Any structure is so out of repair and dilapidated that, if it were permitted to remain, would endanger the life, limb, or property of persons or property upon the public streets or public ways adjacent thereto by reason of the collapse of such building or structure or by the falling of objects therefrom;

(b) Any tree, smoke stack, light pole, flag pole, or other object standing upon property is in such condition that, if it were permitted to remain, would endanger the life, limb or property of persons or property upon the public streets or public ways adjacent thereto by the falling of objects therefrom or by the objects themselves falling;

(c) Any excavation or cellar upon property is unguarded or remains in such condition that, if it were permitted to remain, would endanger the life, limb or property of persons or property upon the public streets or public ways adjacent thereto, by falling or being cast therein;

(d) Any accumulation of earth, rubbish, brush, or other materials which attract and propagate vermin, rodents, or insects that endanger the public health;

(e) Any accumulation of rubbish, refuse or waste materials, including tires and portable water tanks, that, by reason of its location and character, is unsightly and interferes with the reasonable enjoyment of property by neighbors, detrimentally affects property values in the surrounding neighborhood or community, or materially interferes with the prevention or suppression of fire upon the premises;

(f) Any structure is so out of repair that it constitutes a fire hazard because of its condition. For purposes of this division (f), a building that is vacant, unguarded or open at doors or windows, shall be deemed a fire hazard;

(g) There is accumulation in any structure or on any property of rubbish or other materials in an amount and in a condition that constitutes a fire hazard by reason of the likelihood of its catching on or communicating fire;

(h) Any structure that has been damaged by a fire and is allowed to remain in such condition for at least 90 days, unless the Fire Chief has approved, in writing, a plan and timeline for reconstruction of the structure;

(i) The conduct of any activity on any property which by reason of noxious odors generated thereby, or of smoke, dust and dirt being cast therefrom, is harmful to the public health, welfare or safety, or materially interferes with the peaceful and lawful use, comfort and enjoyment of owners or occupants of a proximi;

(j) The presence of noxious weeds or invasive plants as those terms are defined in the Ohio Administrative Code on any premises in the Village at a height that exceeds ten inches;

(k) Any structure that becomes so out of repair and dilapidated that, due to lack of adequate maintenance or neglect, it becomes unsafe for occupancy, endangers the public health, welfare, or safety of occupants, or causes such a condition of blight that it materially interferes with the peaceful enjoyment and lawful use of owners or occupants of a proximate property;

(l) The presence on any premises of turf grasses exceeding ten inches in height;

(m) The conduct of any activity on any property that generates loud, unnecessary or unusual noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others;

(n) There is an accumulation of any dirt, construction or demolition debris, containers from industrial use, inoperable motorized vehicles, campers, filth, rubbish, garbage, waste, leaves or clippings, straw, hay bales, tree stumps, boxes, or any other matter of an unsightly or unsanitary nature, in such a manner that such matter could become dangerous to the public health, comfort and safety of others, that such matter could be blown into any street, alley, park, public ground, sidewalk, or property of another, or such matter could be deposited into any plumbing fixture that it may obstruct or render unwholesome any sanitary sewer or watercourse;

(o) Any structure, fence, wall, shed, house, swimming pool, any part of any of the foregoing; or any pole or smoke stack; or any excavation, basement, cellar, sidewalk subspace, wharf or dock, which in its entirety or in any part thereof, by reason of the condition in which the same is permitted to be or remain, shall or may endanger the health, life, limb or property, or cause any

hurt, harm, inconvenience, discomfort, depreciation, damage, or injury to any one or more persons or to any other property in the village;

(p) Any swimming pool, pond or other body of water that is abandoned, unattended, unfiltered, or otherwise not maintained, resulting in the water becoming polluted by bacterial growth, algae, remains of insects, remains of deceased animals, reptiles, rubbish, refuse, debris, or any other material, which, because of its location, becomes an unhealthy, unsafe or unsightly condition;

(q) Any appliance, such as refrigerators and freezers, with a capacity of one and one-half cubic feet or more and an opening of 50 square inches and which has a door or lid equipped with hinge, latch or other fastening device capable of securing such door or lid, which is abandoned, discarded or knowingly permitted to remain on premises in a place accessible to children;

(r) Leaving any putrid substances on any lot or land, or failing to remove all obstructions from culverts, covered drains or natural watercourses as provided in R.C. § 715.47;

(s) Failing to keep sidewalks in repair and free from snow, ice, or other obstructions;

(t) Any dangerous structure which, because of its condition, is unsafe, unsanitary or dangerous to the health, morals, safety or general welfare of the people of the village;

(u) The storage of any junk car on any premises.

1. As used in this division (u), “junk car” means any unlicensed motor vehicle or any used vehicle propelled or intended to be propelled by power other than human power and which is in an inoperative or partially dismantled condition.

2. As used in this division (u), “inoperative condition” means incapable of being propelled under its own power in its present condition, and “partially dismantled condition” means that some part of a motor vehicle is missing, which part is ordinarily an essential component of the motor vehicle.

3. This division shall not apply to vehicles in an enclosed building, to commercial garages, repair shops or used car dealers or to operators of junkyards appropriately licensed and in compliance with the village ordinances and the Ohio Revised Code; or

(v) Any condition exists which has been declared a public nuisance by common law or the Ohio Revised Code.

STRUCTURE. Shall have the same definition as stated in Chapter 150, Appendix A, § 150.902.

(Ord. 2018-14, passed 5-14-2018) Penalty, see § 92.99

§ 92.03 COMPLAINTS; INSPECTIONS OF PREMISES.

(A) Whenever a complaint is made or visual inspection discloses to the Village Administrator or designee of the existence of a public nuisance as defined in § 92.02, the Village Administrator or designee shall promptly inspect, or cause to be inspected by the Fire Chief, the premises on which it is alleged such public nuisance exists.

(B) For the purpose of enforcing this chapter, the Village Administrator or designee is authorized, at any reasonable time, to enter upon and inspect any premises or property within the village when there is a reasonable cause to believe that a public nuisance, as defined in this chapter, exists.

(C) If either the Village Administrator or designee, or the Fire Chief, find that a public nuisance exists and that it should be abated, abatement of such nuisance shall proceed in accordance with the provisions of §§ 92.04 or 92.05 below.

(Ord. 2018-14, passed 5-14-2018)

A Friendly Reminder When Planting Trees

Please Review The Village’s Tree Ordinances:

§ 98.07 TREE PLANTING IN TREELAWNS.

Read more at codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/swanton.

Did You Know Feeding Feral Cats is Prohibited within the Village of Swanton?

The restrictions are outlined in ordinance

§ 90.09 PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OR HARBORING OF WILDLIFE AND STRAY ANIMALS.

Read more at codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/swanton.

Housekeeping Items

Filling a pool this year?

Updated guidelines effective 2022

You may be eligible for an exemption on sanitary sewer charge for usage while filling your pool if you are constructing a new pool OR for a pool constructed within the last 15 years (Restrictions may apply).

Brush Pick Up Schedule

Brush pick up will be the 2nd week of the month between April and October. Have brush out by 7am on Monday to insure pick up.

Brush pick up is provided by the Village of Swanton. It is the Public Service Superintendent that decides what is considered a reasonable amount of brush.

The Village WILL NOT pick up brush from clearing of trees.

Call 811

Whether you're planting a tree, shrub or garden, aerating your yard, installing a mailbox or building a fence or deck, contacting **OHIO811** before you dig protects your home and your family. Avoid potential injury, property damage, and utility disruption.

PLEASE Pick Up After Your Pet

It is a public health concern and a source of water pollution - not to mention **GROSS!** Thank You!

Memorial Park Digital Sign

If you are involved in a Swanton community organization such as churches, fraternal societies, non-profit organizations and any other organized groups, and wish to have a message on the sign, please contact the Administration Office at amiller@villageofswantonohio.us or 419.826.9515. Village officials reserve the right to change the message to work with the restrictions of the sign.

Be CivicReady!

Sign up to receive messages from the Fulton County mass notification system. These messages include General Notifications, Boil Advisory, and Infrastructure Project notifications.

Simply text 30890 and in the message type **Join SwantonGeneral**, **Join SwantonBoil** or **Join SwantonProjects** (they are case sensitive and there needs to be a space between Join and Swanton).

DO NOT FLUSH!

- Disposable diapers
- Tampons/tampon applicators
- Sanitary napkins
- Cottonballs/swabs
- Cleaning wipes of any kind
- Facial tissue
- Bandages/bandage wrappings
- Automotive fluids
- Paint, solvents, sealants, or thinners
- Hazardous/poisonous waste
- Cooking grease, oil or fat

Please be cautious of what you flush. Many wipes claim to be "flushable" but are NOT. The items listed above as well as the "flushable" wipes wreak havoc on our sewer collection systems.

Sign Up to Go Paperless!

Enroll in paperless billing with The Village of Swanton. No check writing, no trips to the mailbox, no paper statements to file!

To enroll follow the steps below or visit villageofswantonohio.us. Fees apply to make payment online.

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- 2  Enter payment information online. Review and submit your payment.
- 3  Receive an instant email confirmation of your payment amount and payment date.

Spot a concern around the Village? Submit your complaint online!

Tall grass? Unkept property?
Scan the QR code with your smartphone or visit villageofswantonohio.us.



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Village Meeting Times

Village Council Meetings

2nd & 4th Monday of the month - 6p



June 26

July 17

August 14 & 28

September 11 & 25

October 10 & 23

November 13 & 27

December 11

Planning Commission Meetings

1st Tuesday of the month as needed - 6:30p

July 11

August 1

September 5

Tree Commission Meetings - 6p

July 18

August 21

September 18

Municipal Building CLOSED

July 4- Independence Day

September 1 - Labor Day

Live Streaming Meetings

Please stay tuned for more information on the addition of Live Streaming public meetings. Council, Commission, and Board meetings are always open to the public and we invite anyone to attend in person. If that is not feasible, the addition of live streaming meetings may help.

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.

