



National Drug Take-Back Initiative Prescription Drop-off Available 24-Hours

The Amberley Village Police-Fire Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration would like residents to participate in the 16th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Simply bring your pills or patches for disposal to the Amberley Village Police-Fire Department, 7149 Ridge Road. No liquids, creams, empty containers, needles or sharps accepted. This is a free and anonymous service. No questions asked.



The Amberley Village Police-Fire Department has also made it possible for residents to drop-off unwanted prescriptions anytime throughout the year, 24-hours a day.

Finance Facts

Mayor Tom Muething takes you in-depth to look at Village funds in his new video on Village finances. He shares trends in the bottom-line and talks about the review process that occurs each month by the Finance Committee. To see this video and more check out our YouTube channel and join us on our social media outlets.

Income Tax Notes

Extended 2017 Amberley Village Income Tax returns are due October 15, 2018. When filing, please include a copy of your Federal Extension and Federal 1040 page one, W-2(s) and required schedules. These documents help insure you are credited or charged the correct amount of Amberley Village tax and save you from receiving an "incomplete filing" letter.



Remember, all residents must file an Amberley Village tax return regardless of whether or not income tax is due.

If you have questions or need help resolving unfiled tax returns please call or e-mail Tax Administrator Patty Meiers at (513)531-0130 or taxoffice@amberleyvillage.org.

Mayerson JCC Celebrates 10 Years in Amberley!

In September 2008, Amberley Village welcomed the Mayerson JCC's new, state-of-the-art center into our community which has been a hub to residents interacting and gathering ever since! The Village would like to congratulate the Mayerson JCC on its 10 years of success in Amberley and invite you to visit their fall program guide that includes a celebration theme entitled, "Looking to the past and reaching for the future" that ties into its 10 year anniversary. Visit mayersonjcc.org.

Download the Mobile App Today!



Community Calendar

Fire Prevention Week Oct. 7-13

"LOOK" for places fire could start. Take a good look around your home. Identify potential fire hazards and take care of them.
"LISTEN" for the sound of the smoke alarm. You could have only minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Go to your outside meeting place, which should be a safe distance from the home and where everyone should know to meet.
"LEARN" two ways out of every room and make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily and are free of clutter.

Council Meeting

WHEN: October 8 at 6:30 p.m.
 WHERE: Council Chambers, Amberley Village Municipal Building

Environmental Stewardship Committee

WHEN: October 22 at 7:00 p.m.
 WHERE: Community Room, Amberley Village Municipal Building
 Interested in volunteering as a member? Come join us!

Halloween Trick or Treat Hours

October 31 between 6-8 p.m. Police-Fire Officers will have candy to pass out to children as they patrol the Village on this spooky occasion!



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 (513) 531-8675
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Hamilton County 911 Services

Amberley Village will transition its 911 service to the Hamilton County Communication Center this fall to be completed by the end of the year. This change will improve efficiencies for 911 medical emergency callers. A majority of the Village's 911 emergency calls are for life squad/paramedic services and Hamilton County currently dispatches those calls for Amberley.

The 911 service which has been provided by Amberley Village dispatchers has also experienced a change in the volume of cellular calls that are non-Village related and are not Amberley residents calling for assistance. The calls generated from nearby cell phone towers often pick up callers from I-71 and I-75. With cell phones becoming the main form of call technology, this trend has only continued to grow which has resulted in Village dispatchers spending an increasing amount of time sourced to calls that are non-Village related. Hamilton County dispatchers will begin receiving these calls which allows our dispatchers to be further dedicated to Village calls for service and our road patrol officers.

The Village's current 911 system is also factored into this operational transition as Cincinnati Bell will no longer provide service to our 911 system without equipment upgrades that would cost upwards of \$200,000 for the new technology, equipment and training. Meeting the cost of these requirements and the eventual mandatory addition of more Village dispatchers was weighed in the process of considering the delivery of 911 service to our residents. The Hamilton County Communications Center already has this equipment available for us. The County provides accurate and expedient responses to its 911 calls and serves a majority of communities within Hamilton County.

Amberley residents should always dial 911 for anything they feel is an emergency. For all non-emergency requests for service or assistance from the Amberley Police-Fire Department, please continue to call 531-2040. The Village would also like to encourage residents to engage in the County's Smart911. This technology tool can assist emergency responders in getting you the best help possible during an emergency.

2018 Road Program



The 2018 Street Rehabilitation Program approved by Council in July consists of total curb replacement, storm water repairs and repaving of the entire streets on Matson Avenue, Gwenwyn Drive, Lansdowne Avenue, Gardner Avenue and a portion of Sagamore Drive. These streets are concrete base streets that the Village Engineer determined are candidates for repaving rather than total reconstruction, such as what is needed on several concrete base streets in the Village.

This year's program will invest \$534,742 into our streets including an additional \$75,000 of curb repairs on Elbrook Avenue. Approximately \$329,500 will be funded through the Streets Fund and \$205,242 will be funded by the Storm Water Utility, based on the portion of the program related to storm water.

Construction work on these streets is anticipated to conclude at the end of mid-October. For information about this and future projects and how it could impact your daily drive, please visit the Village website to check out a new webpage created to give you information about construction occurring in the Village. Go to AmberleyVillage.org and click on Government and Administration, then Street Improvements & Projects.

Renewal of Natural Gas Aggregation

Opt-out letters were mailed by the Village and IGS in late August explaining that residents had the opportunity to choose to continue in the Village's natural gas aggregation program or opt-out by September 14. Unless you are with an alternative gas supplier, you will become part of the Village gas aggregation program and will begin saving money.

Renewing the Village's current contract with IGS will continue the month-to-month variable rate until August 2020 with the ability to lock in the rate if favorable. Our program has been successful in that we have maintained a lower rate than Duke since October 2016.

Residents who have enrolled with another supplier would not have received the opt-out letter but can choose to join the Village's aggregation program by calling IGS after cancellation of any existing contract with their supplier.

Contact for Natural Gas Aggregation:

IGS Energy
P.O. Box 9060
Dublin, OH 43017
1-800-280-4474 (8 am - 8 pm weekdays)

2018 Storm Water Program

Village Council approved approximately \$249,135 to contract with Smith Construction for repairs to our storm water infrastructure which will take place this fall. Of the four bids received, Smith's bid was \$3,744 less than the engineer's estimate and \$10,005 less than the next lowest bid.

The program consists of pipe and catch basin replacements, reconstruction of a retaining wall and storm water repairs within the street rehabilitation program.

STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS THIS YEAR	
2601 Willowbrook Drive	Reconstruction of retaining wall in creek
6696 Fair Oaks Drive	Replacing 24" storm water culvert
7707 Creekwood Lane	Replacing 12" storm water pipe
7000 Fair Oaks Drive	Replacing catch basin and 10" storm water pipe, adding catch basin and 12' pipe
7034-7027 Beechhollow Drive	Installing new 12" storm water pipe and 2 new catch basins
3580 Section Road	Installing new trash rack in front of headwall inlet
6536 Kincaid Road	Reconstructing a deteriorated manhole chamber

Send Holiday Packages to the Police Department

Available November 23 - December 24

The Amberley Village Police Department would like to again this year offer our residents peace of mind this holiday shopping season by having their packages delivered to the Police Department. Instances of burglaries increase around the holidays including theft of delivered packages from front porches.

Residents can send packages to the Police Department by using the following shipping format for the ship-to address. For ease of package identification, your name should appear as the first line in the address:

For questions about how you can take advantage of this secure delivery option this holiday season, call the Amberley Village Police Department at 531-2040.

Your Name Here
c/o Amberley Village Police Department
7149 Ridge Road
Amberley Village, OH 45237



When Should I Call the Police?

Village residents are partners in the community effort against crime. The Amberley Village Police-Fire Department appreciates citizen's efforts to report any suspicious activity.



If you observe something that doesn't look quite right or appears to be out of place in your neighborhood, take the initiative to call the police. Many people fail to act because they think someone else will call or they are "bothering" the police. The Amberley Village Police-Fire Department wants you to know that your call reporting suspicious activity or behavior is never a bother.

If you suspect that a crime is being or about to be committed, please dial 911.

What is Suspicious Activity?

- A stranger around your neighbor's house or a strange vehicle parked near your neighbor's home.
- The sound of breaking glass.
- Anyone peering into vehicles or removing tags, gasoline, or auto parts.
- An improperly parked car, or a parked car with someone in it who seems out of place.
- Someone carrying property such as TVs, stereos, or tools that can be used to break into homes.
- Persons involved in a fight or any explosion or scream.
- Apparent business transactions conducted from a vehicle.
- A constant flow of strangers to and from a house on a regular basis, especially during late evening hours.
- Door-to-door solicitation without a solicitor's permit, or any stranger knocking on doors (burglars sometimes knock at the door to first see if anyone is home).
- Recurring appearances of a strange vehicle in the neighborhood.
- Persons standing around, possibly acting as lookouts.

If you see or hear something suspicious, call 911. If you believe the situation is an emergency, then it is an emergency.

Print Newsletter

Communicating the business of the Village is an important function for our residents. To increase readership of the E-News and to ensure residents are being reached, this print edition of the newsletter is published bi-annually.

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