



Village of Burton

~ Newsletter ~

BURTON VILLAGE
MAYOR JIM KOSTER

Since the beginning of 2016, the Village of Burton has been busy working to improve communications, beautify the Village, and plan for our future. Your council members, police and fire departments, tree commission, as well as planning, zoning, appeals, and historic district review boards, plus the Board of Public Affairs; have been busy with their respective duties for revitalization. Again, thanks go out to our community for your support and understanding.

Our budget committee is reviewing our operating costs with respect to increased costs of doing business and reductions in overall budget reductions coming from past and present changes in tax structures. Changes and modifications to ordinances affecting zoning have been heard and a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, October 24, at 7:00 P.M. before the regular scheduled council meeting to be held at the Village of Burton Offices, 2nd floor of the library.

In addition, Resolution 2016-16 was approved to authorize the Mayor to apply for, accept, and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund agreement on behalf of the Village of Burton for construction of a wastewater facility and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan. This process has been ongoing for over ten years and will meet future requirements of Ohio EPA.

This year has been successful for our community, schools, and support organizations from pancakes, community activities, fairs, festivals, apple butter, ox roast, etc. The weather has been great for the most part and the Village of Burton is preparing for our winter activities and duties. We appreciate everyone's part in making our community number one.

Please remember: Halloween is Monday, October 31, 2016, in the Village of Burton, from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Be mindful of our children going door to door.

James F. Koster, Mayor
October 12, 2016

BURTON VILLAGE
NEWS FROM THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Water & Sewer Payments

The Village of Burton now accepts credit cards for water and sewer payments. Residents now have the option of paying with a credit card or debit card for their water and sewer bill. To make a payment a water/sewer customer would need their current bill with an account number. Customers can go to the Village website (Villageofburton.org), BPA tab, and click on the red "epayment" button. This will take them to a website where they can create their own account. Once an account is established the payment website will remember them when they return. Payments can be made with a debit or credit card. Right now, customers will not be able to automatically pay the bill without accessing the site and entering the amount owed.

TREE TALK
BURTON VILLAGE TREE COMMISSION

The first time I heard that tree health and tree structure are two different things, I was confused, maybe because often a tree in poor health will have dead, dying and broken limbs. That is, the structure breaks down due to poor health. Often, that is not the case.

A tree can have a large cavity and extensive rot in the heartwood in the middle of the tree, but have an actively functioning vascular system just under the bark on the outside of the tree. The xylem is taking water and minerals up to the leaves, supporting a full canopy, and the phloem is transporting starches and sugars down to the roots. The outer system doesn't depend on the integrity of the heartwood to function.

So a tree can look perfectly healthy and yet pose a serious safety risk – especially with a full crown that catches high wind, and heavy rain, ice and snow that can lever a hollow limb to its breaking point.

Sometimes it's possible to mitigate the risks of structural defects with pruning, cabling and restricting access - if there's no target, there's no risk – as well as boosting the health of the tree with soil remediation measures. There are several grand old trees in Burton worthy of such consideration.

Submitted by Debbie Palmisano, Municipal Arborist, 440-834-0820



BURTON VILLAGE WILL BE HOLDING **TRICK OR TREAT** ON

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2016

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

If you will be handing out treats, please put a light on. Thank you!

FALL BRUSH PICK UP

WEEK OF OCT 24TH

The following restrictions apply:

- Stack brush at the curb, cut end toward the street, but not protruding into street
- Brush must be no larger than 5 inches in diameter and 5 feet long
- Normal yard debris, branches and trimmings only. No garden or flower bed debris.
- Once the pick-up crews have passed your property, they will not be back!
- There is a maximum loading time of 5 minutes per address. If brush at your property exceeds the maximum loading time, you will be responsible to remove the remaining brush. This service is for small branches and limbs that may have fallen during storms, not for removal of brush from entire trees.

Hickox Street Survey Presentation

The Village of Burton invites everyone to a presentation on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, at 6:30 pm, at the Burton Public Library meeting room (upstairs). The presentation will be conducted by Rausche Historic Preservation, LLC, and will provide an overview of the 36 buildings which were surveyed on Hickox Street, over the past year.

The Village of Burton through a federal grant, obtained as a Certified Local Government Community, conducted this survey in order to maintain the integrity of the historic structures and assist the Burton Historic District Architectural Review Board in helping the citizens to maintain the architectural and historic integrity of their homes and therefore, their value. The survey will contribute to the economic, recreational, cultural and educational development of the Village of Burton, by facilitating the reinvestment in older areas, and promoting the rights of owners with historically significant homes.



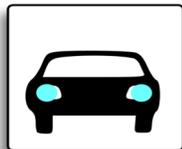
A Budget Snapshot September 30, 2016

The Village has obligated \$2,114,066.90 to be spent this year. This is a \$693,000 decrease in projected spending as the Village limited work on infrastructure and tightened spending in many areas. Since the total costs are estimates and some of it is contingency, the total amount budgeted will not necessarily be spent.

Our September snapshot shows that expenses are tracking at or below where we think they should, which is a good thing. Revenue is a little higher than projected in areas such as Property tax and Income tax as the general economy appears to be recovering. Water and Sewer receipts have been adjusted down to reflect a general reduction in water usage by residents.

	Budget	Actual	Actual as a percentage of Budget
Property Tax	\$ 206,807.00	\$ 208,974.67	101%
Income Tax	\$ 471,613.97	\$ 480,563.26	102%
Intergovernmental	\$ 154,989.78	\$ 121,499.25	78%
Special Assessments	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 28,679.47	110%
Fines, Licenses, Charges and Permits (water and sewer rent)	\$ 965,569.37	\$ 502,898.15	52%
Misc	\$ 18,981.00	\$ 42,713.30	225%
TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME	\$ 1,843,961.12	\$ 1,385,328.10	
Personnel	\$ 704,867.00	\$ 475,534.08	67%
Travel	\$ 1,874.00	\$ 1,873.31	100%
Contractual Services	\$ 629,309.90	\$ 342,039.29	54%
Supplies and Materials	\$ 108,746.00	\$ 60,940.83	56%
Capital Outlay	\$ 478,920.00	\$ 134,922.22	28%
Debt Service	\$ 17,850.00	\$ 17,850.00	100%
Other Uses	\$ 172,500.00	\$ 52,285.65	30%
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENDITURE	\$ 2,114,066.90	\$ 1,085,445.38	

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***ATTENTION:
PARKING CHANGES***

***PARKING IS LIMITED TO:
THE NORTH SIDE OF SPRING
STREET
AND
THE EAST SIDE OF HICKOX***

MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings are held at the Library

TREE COMMISSION

1st Monday of the month @ 6:30pm

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

2nd Monday of the month @ 7:00pm

BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7:00pm

COUNCIL—COMMITTEE MEETING

4th Monday of the month @ 7:00pm

All other Boards meet as needed

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