



The Canal Post



2023 SPRING EDITION

City of Waterville

March, April & May 2023

CITY OF WATERVILLE CONTACT INFORMATION

TOWN HALL GENERAL INFORMATION	419-878-8100
UTILITY BILLING	419-878-8101
PUBLIC WORKS	419-878-8108
INCOME TAX -REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY	800-860-7482
POLICE (NON EMERGENCY- M-F 8AM-4:30PM)	419-878-8184
FIRE (NON EMERGENCY- M-F 8AM-4:30PM)	419-878-0165

FOR NON-LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES

AFTER HOURS CALL: 419-255-8443

MAYOR TIM PEDRO 514 CEDAR LANE 419-878-2364

COUNCIL MEMBERS

BARB BRUNO	137 S. RIVER ROAD	419-277-1291
MARY DUNCAN	1105 BENDING BROOK LANE	419-878-0606
ANTHONY BRUNO	8073 TRENT LOCK DRIVE	419-708-4401
TODD BOROWSKI	131 S. RIVER ROAD	419-304-6650
JOHN ROZIC	725 VILLAGE PARKWAY	419-878-7405
ROD FREY	452 S RIVER ROAD	419-297-3173



MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR: JON GOCHENOUR
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION: MARK WILLIAMS

TOWN HALL 25 N. SECOND ST. 878-8100
OFFICE HOURS: MON - FRI. 8 AM - 4:30 PM

WATERVILLE COUNCIL SPRING SCHEDULE

VIEW LIVE ON
TIME WARNER CABLE
CHANNEL 1021 OR STREAM ON
YOUTUBE.

MONDAY,
MARCH 13TH & 27TH
APRIL 10TH & 24TH
MAY 8TH & 22ND
AT 7:30 P.M.

IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER OF THE
WATERVILLE MUNICIPAL



Carl Conrad Memorial
Scholarship
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City Office will be
closed:

Fri. April 7 at Noon
& Monday, May 29

City of Waterville Employee Recognition
*The City of Waterville wishes to recognize the
Following employees for their continued
commitment to our community:*

*Jeff Jollon- 5 years
Doug Meyer- 20 yrs
Jodi Shaneyfelt- 20 yrs
Kyler Yeager- 5 yrs*



**Waterville Fire Association &
Carl Conrad Memorial Scholarships**

If you are or know of a graduating senior please be aware of the opportunity to apply for the Waterville Fire Association & Carl Conrad Memorial Scholarship.

The student must currently reside in the City of Waterville Fire District (not specifically limiting the scholarship to a student of AWHs).

The application and rules are available at the Fire Department, Town Hall, the City's website, and the guidance dept. at the AWHs. Once completed all applications must be returned to:

**The Waterville Fire Department
c/o the Scholarship Committee
751 Waterville-Monclova Rd.
Waterville, OH 43566**

Application Deadline is April 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.



**Would you like to be of service to
your community?**

Consider volunteering for one of the many committees that it takes to help City Council keep the City running smoothly. You can find info on our website at www.waterville.org.



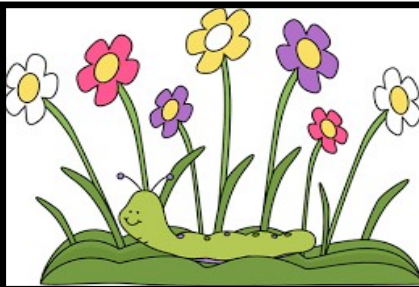
CITY OF WATERVILLE

SEEKING TWO SEASONAL WORKERS

Job Duties: to assist the Building & Grounds/Street Superintendent in the Bldgs. & Grounds & Park Maintenance Depts. **Job Duties** to include mowing, trimming, landscaping, light bldg. maintenance, leaf collection & other duties as directed. **Qualifications:** Must be 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license. Starting May 1, 2023 through December 29, 2023, 36 hours a week at \$15.00 per hour: EOE Applications available at City of Waterville Municipal Building or on our website at www.waterville.org. Deadline for submittal is Friday, March 24th at 4:30 p.m.



WATERVILLE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
25 N. SECOND ST. * 419-878-8100
MON. — FRI. 8:00 A.M. — 4:30 P.M.



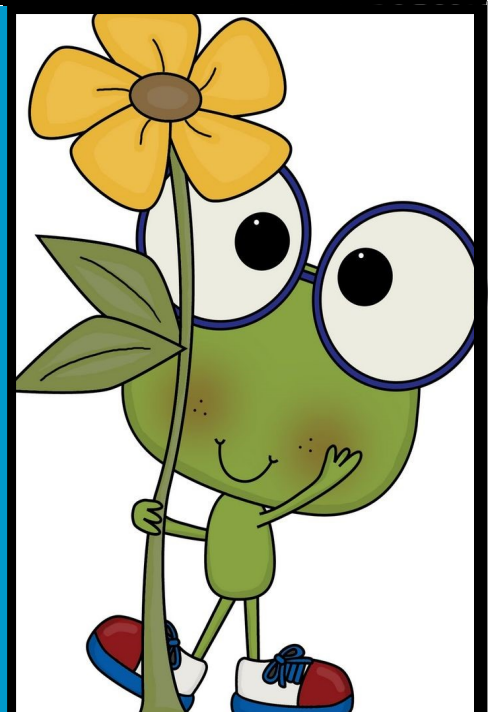
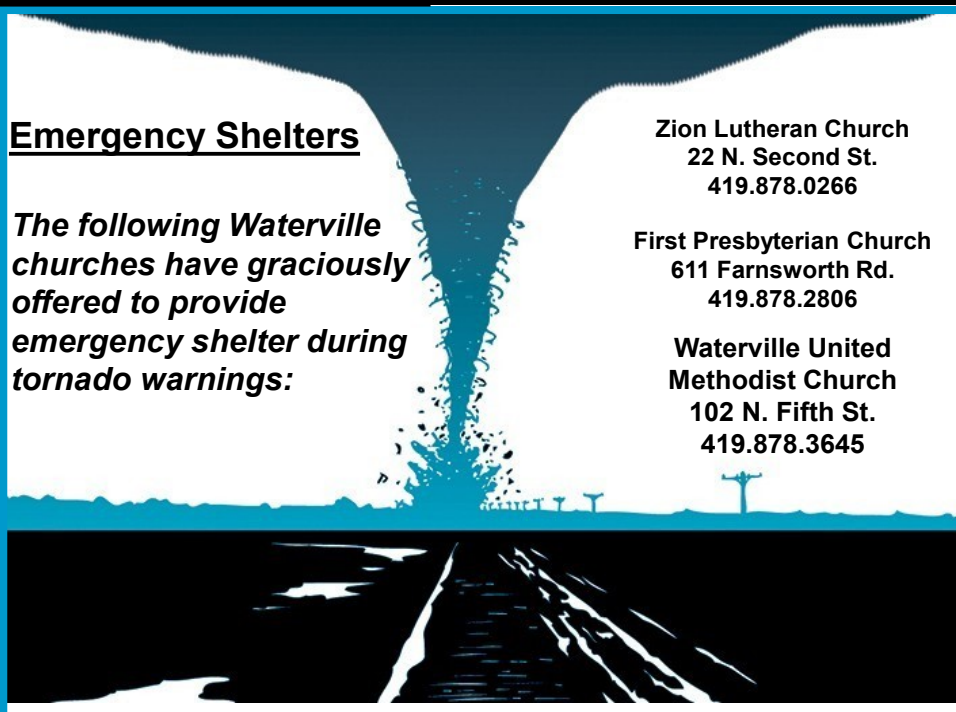
Emergency Shelters

The following Waterville churches have graciously offered to provide emergency shelter during tornado warnings:

Zion Lutheran Church
 22 N. Second St.
 419.878.0266

First Presbyterian Church
 611 Farnsworth Rd.
 419.878.2806

Waterville United Methodist Church
 102 N. Fifth St.
 419.878.3645



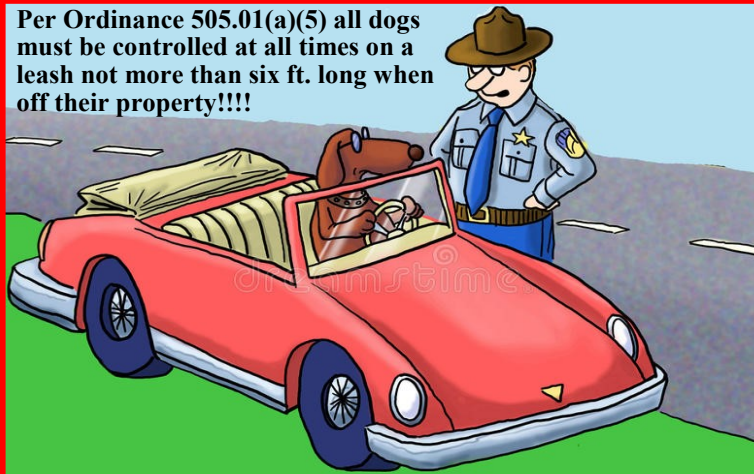
THERE IS NO
**POOP
FAIRY**



PLEASE
CLEAN UP
AFTER YOUR
PETS!

Per City Ordinance Section 505.08 (c)
please *clean up after your pets in order*

Per Ordinance 505.01(a)(5) all dogs
must be controlled at all times on a
leash not more than six ft. long when
off their property!!!!



"Are you aware that we have a leash law?"

PROPER CARE FOR YOUR TREES

Trimming and Pruning

Trimming of trees located within the public right-of-way to a safe height (6'6" to 7') above the sidewalk and more extensive pruning may be requested by submitting a written request to:

Public Works Department c/o: Town Hall
25 N. Second Street
Waterville, OH, 43566

The Public Works Department will direct your request to the Waterville Tree Commission. Any tree limbs thought to be hazardous should be immediately reported to Town Hall at 419-878-8100 or the Public Works Department 878-8108.

Mulching

There are many benefits to mulching your trees. It helps maintain soil moisture and helps to control weeds. Some mulch can improve soil structure and drainage. Organic mulch is preferred to inorganic materials, due to the soil enhancing properties of organic materials. If you choose to mulch

the trees on your property, it is important that you do so properly. Too much mulch may actually harm the trees. Over-mulching or creating a "mulch volcano" may cause problems for trees, inviting insects and disease. It is better to mulch wide than mulch deep.

It is also important to keep the mulch away from the trunk of the tree. It is best to form a ring of mulch around the tree, (wrapping the tree in a donut shape) keeping the mulch six inches away from the trunk. A depth of two to four inches of mulch is generally recommended. This will hold water but won't invite insects and disease to infest the trunk.

Watering

With summer just around the corner and the onset of warm, dry weather, it is important to water the trees on your property. It is especially important for newly planted trees to get regular watering.

More Information

If you have questions regarding the topics covered here or other tree information, there are many resource pamphlets from the International Society of Arboriculture available at Town Hall.

WHY PLANT A TREE?

- ⚙ Trees produce oxygen while cleaning our air and water.
- ⚙ Trees are natural air conditioners and can reduce cooling costs up to 50%.
- ⚙ Trees increase property values up to 20%.
- ⚙ Trees provide wildlife habitat.
- ⚙ Trees produce a sense of roots in an established community
- ⚙ Trees can help reduce stress.
- ⚙ Trees are beautiful



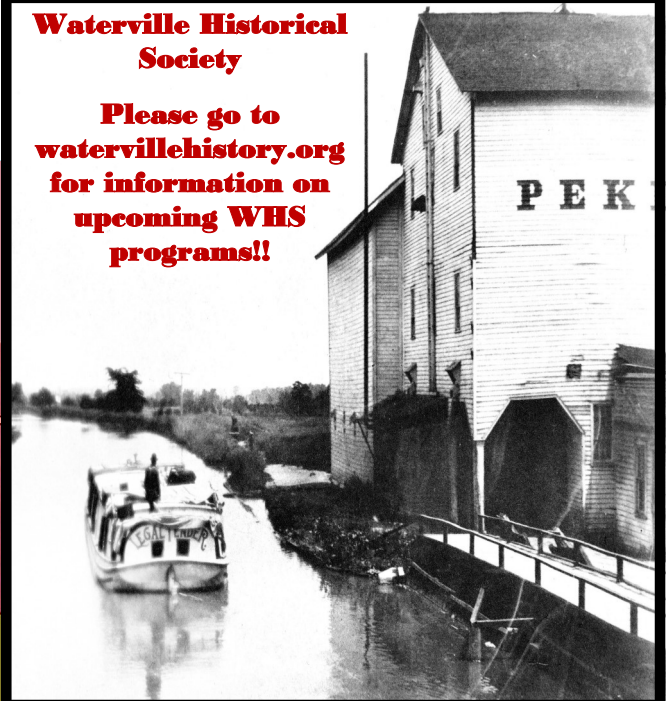
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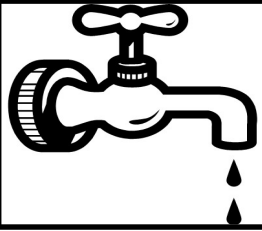
If you are interested in gardening, or just want to get some fresh air & sunshine this summer, consider volunteering to help with the many City gardens! Contact the Public Works Dept. at 419.878.8108 for more information!



Waterville Historical Society

Please go to
watervillehistory.org
for information on
upcoming WHS
programs!!





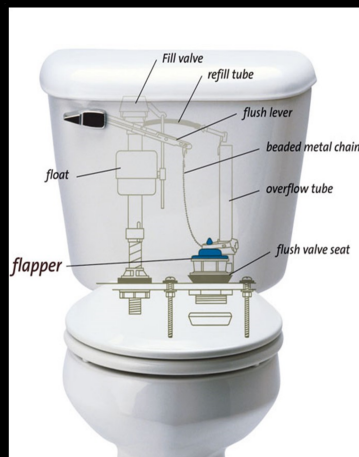
HANDY TIPS FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT

**Please don't wait!!
UPDATE**



YOUR HOME PHONE OR CELL PHONE

ACCURATE CONTACT INFORMATION ALLOWS THE WATER DEPARTMENT TO CONTACT YOU IF THERE IS ANY ISSUE WITH YOUR WATER SERVICE OR YOUR CONSUMPTION. IF YOU HAVE RECENTLY CANCELLED YOUR LANDLINE PHONE AND ARE NOW ONLY USING YOUR CELL PHONE OR CHANGED YOUR HOME PHONE NUMBER.....PLEASE CALL THE CITY OF WATERTOWN WATER DEPT. AT (419) 878-8101 AND UPDATE THIS INFORMATION.

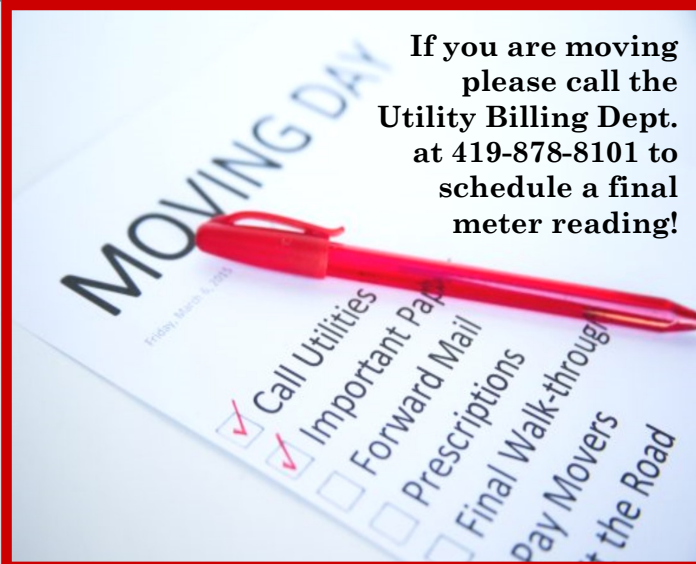


Repairing your Toilet Saves Water

The Majority of high water bills are caused by a faulty or worn flapper. Over time, the rubber stopper at the base of the tank can become brittle, worn, dirty or misaligned with the flush valve; or the seal itself is so corroded that the stopper will not seal properly. This creates a leak that lowers the tanks water level, causing the fill valve to turn on & refill the tank.

A faulty flapper can be fixed by cleaning the flapper or tank ball & drain seat thoroughly using a brush or scouring pad. If the problem persists., remove the existing flapper and replace with new.

If you are moving
please call the
Utility Billing Dept.
at 419-878-8101 to
schedule a final
meter reading!



Save Time & Money

Have your monthly water bill deducted
directly from your savings or checking account!

Contact the City of Waterville
Water Department at 419-878-8101 for more
information

CITY OF WATERVILLE UTILITY PAYMENT DROP OFF BOX

IS LOCATED ON N. 2nd St.
ACROSS FROM THE
MUNICIPAL BLDG. PARKING
LOT. IT IS FOR WATER BILL
PAYMENTS. THE DROP
OFF SLOT IN THE MUNICIPAL
BLDG. IS ALSO AVAILABLE
24 HOURS PER DAY



**The City of Waterville's
Yard Waste Recycling Facility**
Renewed Outdoors, LLC
23691 N. Dixie Hwy, Perrysburg, OH
(between Five Point and Reitz Rd.)

Hours of Operation
December 15th – March 9th
By Appointment Only
March 10th – December 15th
Monday thru Friday – 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
CLOSED SUNDAYS

Zoning Matters...tips from The Zoning Inspector



Signs - Garage/Yard Sale Signs are not allowed on utility poles, traffic or street sign posts or the public right-of-way. These signs (4 sq. ft. max. area) may be erected for the days the sale is being held up to 72 consecutive hours. No signs (for sale, rent or political campaign), other than government or traffic, are allowed in the public right-of-way.

Structures (Additions & Sheds) - A zoning permit is required. These forms are available at the Municipal Office or from our website at www.waterville.org. A building permit may also be needed from the Lucas County Building Dept.

Recreational Vehicles or Boats - May not be parked in a front yard or in front of a main residential structure. Please refer to §1145.03 (j) in the Waterville Codified Ordinance (available on the City's website).

Pools - Zoning Permits are needed for all pools except for Temporary pools that are less than 18" in depth and 115 sq. feet in area and erected between May 1st and September 15th. Hot tubs, home spas and whirlpool tubs less than 150 sq. feet in area are also exempt.

Please call Municipal Building at 419.878.8100 for additional questions.



"THE PROMISE
OF SPRING'S
ARRIVAL IS
ENOUGH
TO GET ANYONE
THROUGH
THE BITTER
WINTER."



The Med Return box is located in the rear entrance of City Hall. It is available during normal City Hall business hours. Anyone (not just Waterville residents) may deposit unused prescription and OTC medications in the box.

The Med Return box will not accept pill bottles or packaging. So residents will need to empty the pills into the drop chute, then dispose of the containers themselves. Liquids and creams are not accepted.

The Med Return box was paid for by the AWAKE coalition.



ENGRAVED BRICKS & PLAQUES FOR CITY BENCHES

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A PART OF WATERVILLE'S HISTORY WITH THE PURCHASE OF EITHER A BRICK OR A BENCH? EITHER WILL BE A PERMANENT GIFT AND THEY ARE AN EXCELLENT WAY TO COMMEMORATE ANY SPECIAL OCCASION, TO RECOGNIZE FAMILY MEMBERS, OR TO PROVIDE A LASTING MEMORIAL FOR A LOVED ONE.

Be the one who inspires the next generation!



Engraved Bricks are located at the Clock Tower building at the corner of the Anthony Wayne Trail and Farnsworth Road. Engraved bricks are available in two different sizes:



4" X 8" with up to three lines of text, up to 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation) Cost : \$100.00

8" X 8" with up to six lines of text with up to 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation) Cost: \$225.00

The Engraved plaque will be placed on a City Bench. The plaques will be attached to benches throughout the city.

The plaques are 8 1/2" wide by 5 1/2 " tall. There will be 4 lines available for engraving, 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation)

Cost: \$650.00 (this includes the cost of the bench, the plaque and installation of the bench)

*For more information or to find an order from, please visit our website www.waterville.org, under the **Forms Tab** on the home page. Forms are also available at the Municipal Building at 25 North Second St.*



*The City of Waterville reserves the right to approve all copy to be engraved on the bricks or the plaques.

**Please call the Municipal Bldg. at (419) 878-8100
for more information.**



ESTIMATED INCOME TAX DUE

City of Waterville Estimated Tax Payments are due Quarterly. Payments should be sent to the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.)

When completing your tax return if you complete the Estimated Tax Section Line #20 on an Individual Tax Return (Form 37) R.I.T.A. will send you quarterly invoices. If you did not fill in the form, or if you were not aware that you were going to be submitting Estimated Payments, you can complete A Declaration of Estimated Tax (Form 32). Every person who anticipates any taxable income (City Ordinance 171.07) must file a declaration of Estimated Taxes if you anticipate owing more than \$10 in income tax during the year.

QUARTER	ESTIMATED PAYMENT DUE
1ST	APRIL 18
2ND	JUNE 15
3RD	SEPTEMBER 15
4TH	JANUARY 15

ATTENTION: Landlords, don't forget to update any changes in tenant status in the properties that you own in Waterville. You can find the forms on our website www.waterville.org under the Income Tax Link. *Chapter 171.18 Ord. 34-11*

ATTENTION: All Tenants, as a *tenant in the City of Waterville you are required to pay municipal income tax to the City. If you have not already done so, please contact R.I.T.A. to set up an account.

**Chapter 171.02 (bb)*



If you need further information please visit the R.I.T.A. website www.ritaohio.com, or call their toll free phone # 800-860-7482 for assistance.

CLOSE & LOCK GARAGE DOORS & Vacation Home Security Check Request

Each year the Police Dept. take theft reports from home owners who have left their garage door open overnight. Please remember to shut and lock all your doors at night or when you are not at home. Also, before you leave for vacation fill out a Home Security Check Request from the Police Dept. Officers will be happy to check on your house while you are away. You can pick up a form at the Police Department 25 N. Second St. or on the City's website at www.waterville.org.



Spring is Nature's way of saying "let's party"



Important Reminder



We ask that all residents read the following reminders to assist us in keeping the City's storm sewers clear of debris and hazardous materials.

We can all be a part of the solution to storm water pollution if we practice common sense in our daily routines. Examples:

- When mowing grass do not blow grass clippings into the street. It clogs drainage basins and storm pipes.
- Never drain antifreeze, motor oil or paint into a storm basin or storm sewer.
- Never dispose of any household chemicals or any animal waste into the storm system.
- Fertilizer Use – Fertilizing right before it rains may seem like a good idea, but if the rainfall amount is heavy the fertilizer will not have time to soak into the soil and will wash off into the local rivers, creeks and ditches, often through storm drains. It will also wash off if you fertilize too often or too much at once, wasting your money.

Waterville Recycling & Waste Service Guide

Waste Collection Guidelines

- If you have any questions regarding the handling or acceptability of an item, please contact Republic Services at 800.234.3429 or the City Office at 419.878.8100.
- Households may purchase extra bag tags at the **Municipal Office at 25 N. Second St. Hours are 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.**
- Large, bulky items, such as furniture and appliances, are collected the same day as regular trash. **Residents must purchase a bulk item sticker for each item. Large item tags are available at the Municipal office.*
- Appliances: Residents are responsible for the removal of all Freon® refrigerants from applicable appliances prior to collection by the contractor. A **certification label must be affixed to the appliance. This** requirement is mandatory by federal law.
- **Bi-Annual Unlimited Collections: The City of Waterville** will have a one-day unlimited cleanup twice per year for residents to dispose of unwanted items. Collections will be curbside and items will not require tags. Residents **will be notified on the website and electronic sign prior** to the collection of the exact date and time.

All waste will be collected on Mondays. All recyclables will be collected every other week on the same day as waste collection.

Recycling Collection Guidelines

Residential curbside recycling is provided through the City's contract with Republic Services.

Recycling will be picked up every other week from your Republic Services provided cart. Please refer to the recycling calendar and map for details on collection weeks.

- Recyclables do not need to be sorted.
- Place your recycling cart at the curb away from your waste cart.

The City of Waterville has one of Lucas County's recycling drop-off stations. The Lucas County station is located at the Waterville Kroger at 8730 Waterville-Swanton Road, and is free and open to all residents 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



Acceptable Materials



Glossy magazines & bundled newspaper



Steel (tin) cans & aluminum beverage cans



#1 & #2 frosted plastic milk jugs & bottles



Liter plastic bottles & #1 & #2 plastic bottles



Clear, brown, & green glass bottles & jars

Unacceptable Materials

Food waste
Yard waste
Ceramics or dishes
Plastic grocery bags
Motor oil containers
Electronics

Clothing
Polystyrene foam
Light bulbs
Window glass or mirrors
Hazardous waste containers
Construction waste



We'll handle it from here.

Waste Guidelines

Not Acceptable for Waste:

- Dirt, sod, rocks or paving stones
- Heavy construction debris such as shingles, brick or concrete
- **Hot ashes, coals, solvents or flammable materials**
- Liquids, including paint
- Hazardous wastes such as oils, poisons, corrosives, batteries, etc.
- Heavy items including carpet, furniture or auto parts
- Electronics

Automated Service Guidelines

1. Place carts curbside by 7 a.m.
2. Please contain all waste within the cart. Extra material will require an extra bag tag. Extra bag tags can be purchased at the Municipal office.
3. Face the cart toward the street (wheels away from the street).
4. Position the cart within two feet of the curb.
5. Avoid placing the cart near parked cars, mailboxes or other objects.

Carts are property of Republic Services® and contain a serial number that coincides with your residence. **DO NOT remove carts. If you plan to move or if your cart is damaged, call Republic Services.**

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Recycling Guidelines

Recycling:

- **Newspaper, inserts & junk mail**
- Magazines, catalogs & envelopes
- Paperback books & phone books
- Cardboard & clean pizza boxes
- **Office & school papers, box board (cereal, cake & cracker boxes)**
- Paper egg cartons
- Aluminum cans & clean foil
- **Tin & steel aerosol cans (empty)**
- Glass jars & bottles (empty)
- All plastic containers labeled 1 through 7

Prepare your recycling properly; please remember all containers should be **empty, clean and dry**. All of the items listed can be mixed together and placed in your cart; no sorting needed!



Do NOT recycle:

- Plastic bags
- Feed waste
- Food-tainted items
- Polystyrene cups or plates
- Motor oil bottles
- Plastic toys or sporting goods
- Electronics
- Compact discs or DVDs
- Foam egg cartons
- Ice cream cartons
- Light bulbs
- Hangers
- Yard waste or garden tools



Please Do NOT place these items in your recycling cart. Instead, utilize your waste cart for these items.



2023

City of Waterville

RECYCLING COLLECTION CALENDAR



Sustainability in Action

■ Holiday - No service. If your collection falls on or after a holiday, it will be delayed one day

■ North Recycling ■ South Recycling

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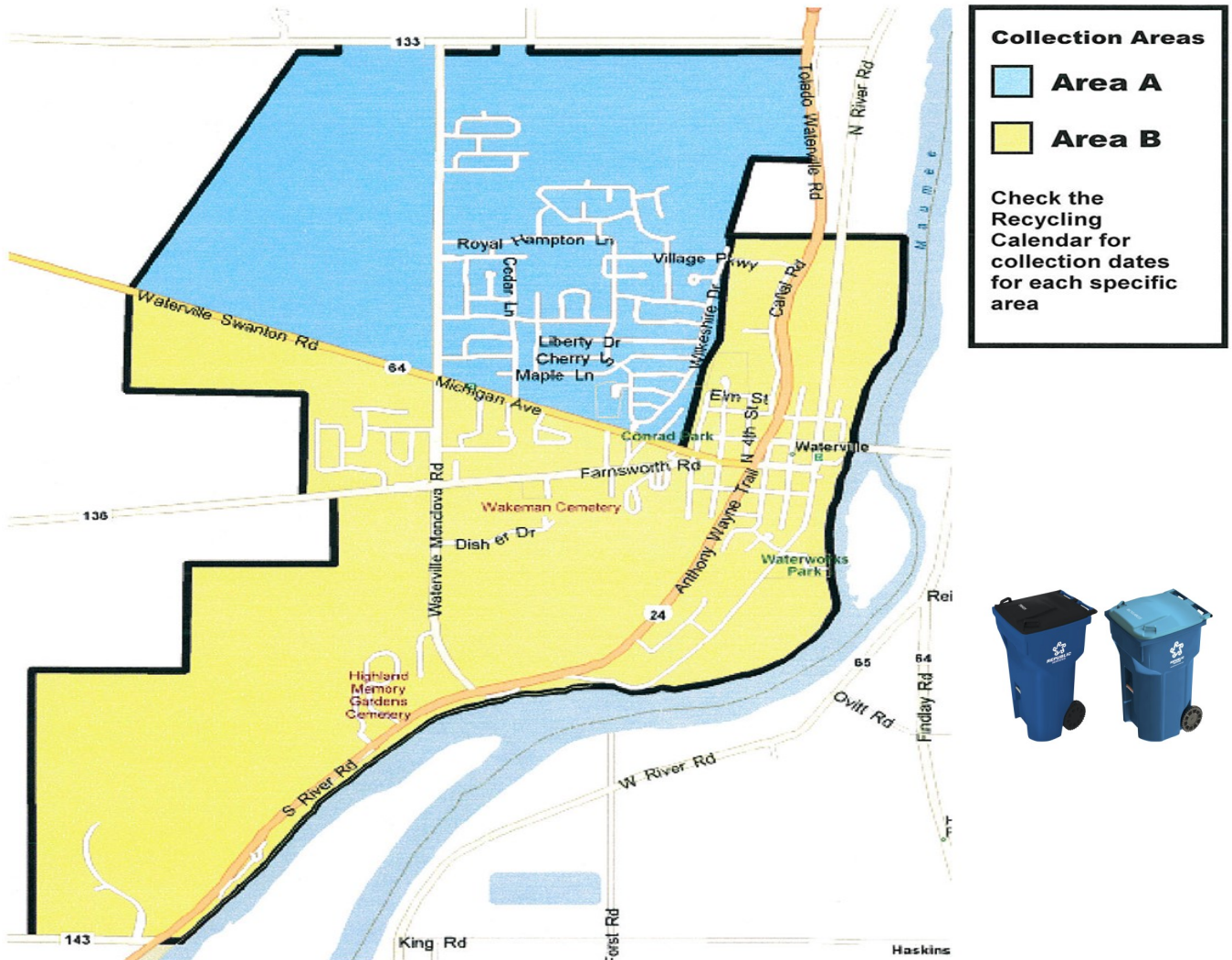
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Please call **800.686.2454** or visit **RepublicServices.com** for more information.

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City of Waterville Every Other Week Recycling Collection Area Map



Recycling is collected every other week on your designated collection week and on the same day as your trash. See the Recycling Calendar for your designated collection dates.



2023 Unlimited Pick Up

Sat June 17, 2023 in Area A

Sat June 24, 2023 in Area B

Sat October 21, 2023 in Area A

Sat October 28, 2023 in Area B

	<p>WATERVILLE BRANCH 800 MICHIGAN AVE  WATERVILLE, OH 43566 419.878.3055  toledolibrary.org</p>	<p>UPCOMING WINTER/SPRING 2023 PROGRAMS & EVENTS</p>
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STORY TIMES -

Babytimes - This storytime focuses on developing your baby's early literacy skills. Babies 0-18 months will be introduced to songs, movement, rhythm and rhyme designed to foster a love of books and reading.

Thursdays: 11:00 — 11:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytimes - Children ages 3-5 (and their favorite grown-up) will enjoy stories, songs, movement & more in this fun program.

Tuesdays: 10:00-10:30 a.m. & Wednesdays: 2:00 — 2:30 p.m.

Family Storytimes - Children ages 2-5, and their grown-ups, are invited to talk, sing, read, write and play as we share stories, music and movement.

Tuesdays: 11:00 — 11:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytimes - Have fun at this interactive storytime for children 18 months—3 years old and their favorite grown-up.

Wednesdays: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. & Thursdays: 10:00 — 10:30 a.m.



PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Chess Club - A weekly chess club for kids of all ages & skill levels.

Wednesdays: 4:00 — 5 p.m.

Homeschool STEM Lab - Hands-on STEM activities for ages 4-12.

Thursday, March 16 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

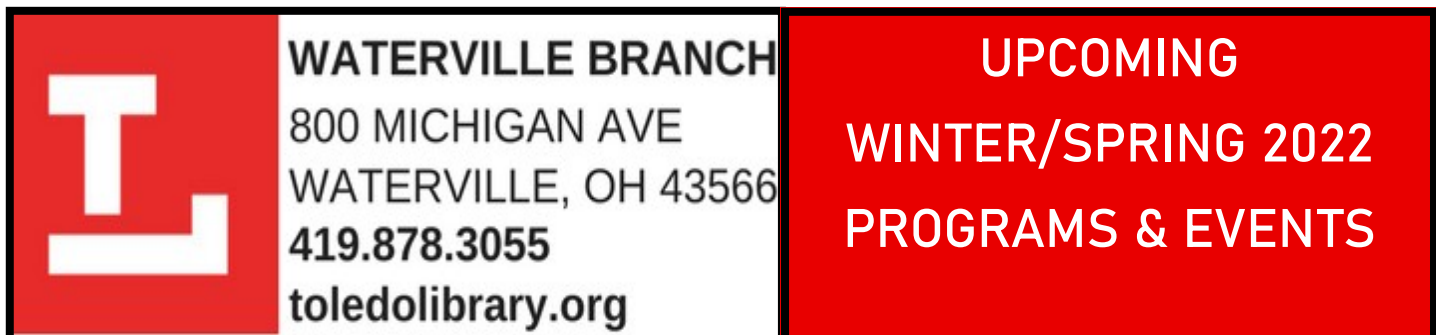
Thursday, April 20 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 18 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Pokemon Trading Card Event - Gotta Catch 'Em All....Bring your Pokemon cards to trade with other fans. Grades K—8

Saturday, March 18—10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 20—10:00 to 11:00 a.m.



UPCOMING WINTER/SPRING 2022 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Programs for Children—cont.

Super Smash Bros Tournament— Battle your friends in a Super Smash Bros. Ultimate tournament. See if you have what it takes to be a champion!

Monday, March 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Play with Ozobots— Code a map for these tiny robots to travel!

Monday, April 24 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Fun with Flowers— Make a bouquet of flowers that will last forever. Enjoy a salty sweet flower treat.

Tuesday, May 09 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.



PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

Homeschooling Teen Book Group

Infinity Son by Adam Silvera

Wednesday, March 29 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

The Spill Zone by Scott Westerfeld

Wednesday, April 26 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Best New Board Games– Checkmate Games and Hobbies— Leave Monopoly and Sorry behind when the team from Checkmate Games and Hobbies in Sylvania comes to teach us how to play a variety of new and exciting board games.

Thursday, March 23 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Book Hedgehogs— Recycle old books into cute reading buddies. Use a wide variety of craft supplies to dress them up however you want.





WATERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT



Warmer Seasons & Outdoor Fires: Understanding Ohio's Open Burn-Laws:



The Waterville Fire Department staff is frequently asked about such issues as open burning and recreational fires. The Department also responds to numerous incidents involving illegal, unsafe, or improper burning. Not only does the Ohio Fire Code address such issues, but the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and local Air Pollution Control regulate such practices. For everyone's safety, we strongly recommend that you follow the regulations.

“Recreational fires”, as defined in the Ohio Fire Code, are those “outdoor fires burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbecue grill or barbecue pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.” The Ohio Fire Code defines open burning as “the burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. Open burning does not include road flares, smudge pots, and similar devices associated with safety or occupational uses typically considered such as open flames, recreational fires, or use of portable outdoor fireplaces.” These types of fires are the most frequent types of incidents that the fire department responds to for complaints. The most common complaint from neighbors is when fires are not conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations, or when the environmental conditions cause the smoke to migrate off the property into the residence of a neighboring property. Persons with chronic breathing problems can be affected by these conditions.

The following items below are important points to remember:

- Residents within the City limits of Waterville or within 1000 feet perimeter around the City cannot conduct Opening Burning.
- The only material that can be burned is clean, dry wood as a fuel source. Absolutely no yard waste or rubbish materials can be burned.
- If the fire is contained within an approved container (i.e., outdoor fireplace, barbeque pit, etc.) the fire must be 15 feet from a structure or combustible materials (i.e., picnic table, lawn furniture, etc.).
- For an open fire (recreational fire – no container), the fire must be 20 feet from a structure (this includes, but is not limited to: wood fences, detached garages, utility sheds, residential dwelling units, neighboring structures, or combustible materials).
- Conditions that could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of the fire must be eliminated prior to ignition of a fire.
- The fire must be attended while burning, which includes smoldering fires.
- A fire extinguishing agent, such as a garden hose, bucket of water or portable fire extinguisher must be present while the fire is burning.
- The fire must not create an offensive or objectionable condition that interferes with neighboring residents' use and enjoyment of their property. If this occurs, the Fire Department is required to request the responsible person to extinguish the fire.

If you have any other questions regarding fires on your property, please contact Chief Meyer or visit the Ohio EPA Open Burning Laws for more information.





WATERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT



Safe Boating and River Tips:

As the weather breaks and COVID-19 restrictions are eased, the Maumee River will attract thousands of eager visitors this summer. It's rich scenery, fishing, and water sports, make it a popular destination. If you choose to travel the river, please make sure you wear your life jacket and plan for the conditions. We also encourage you to seek advice from experts before traveling the river. There are several areas of rapids that can be exceptionally dangerous during high water levels and others that are simply impassible for watercraft. Last year, Waterville crews responded to a record number of water rescues on the Maumee. Thankfully, no fatalities were suffered. However, over half of the victims involved, *did not have a personal floatation device on or with them.*



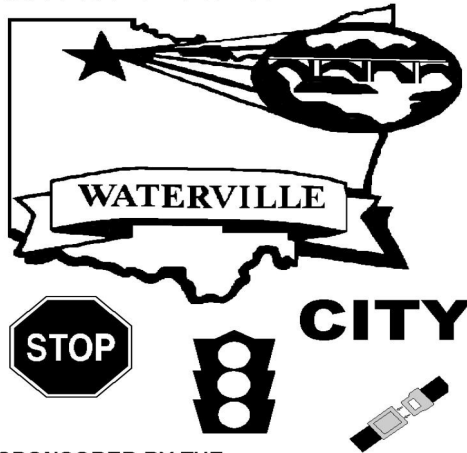
ADOPT A FIRE HYDRANT IN THE SPRING

When the snow melts away from the fire hydrant in the Spring, consider "adopting" a fire hydrant in your front yard. During the warm weather months you can help by regularly clearing vegetation and painting a hydrant, if necessary, with paint and supplies provided by the City! If interested, contact the City offices at (419) 878-8100.

Waterville Police Department



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WATERVILLE SAFETY CITY 2023

*Now enrolling children
entering Kindergarten*

July 17th – 21st

**Morning & Afternoon
sessions are available!**

Registration fee - \$40.00

**Registration forms available on the
City's website: www.waterville.org or at Townhall**

Please call: (419)878-8184

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. for info.



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OFFICER SPOTLIGHT

Officer Troy Major is the newest addition to the Waterville Police Department. Officer Major was with the Holland Police Department for twenty years. He has a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and Administration with a focus on project management. While at the Holland Police Department, Troy was in charge of their Safety City program for many years. Troy is married with two grown children, and in his free time, he enjoys hunting, fishing, and being out on his boat. He recently completed his field training and is on the night shift.



The Non-Emergency Number for Police Dept.
during **regular** business hours: **419-878-8184**

The Non-Emergency Number for Police Dept.
after hours: **419-255-8443**

