



Tippecanoe news

A monthly summary of municipal affairs and activities



Be Prepared for Power of Summer Storms

Summer can bring a variety of weather. From tornadoes and thunderstorms to wind shears and flash flooding, severe weather can change rapidly and have ramifications on the power industry.

So what do you do in the case of a summer power outage?

Firstly, every family should have a disaster kit on hand in case of an emergency. Disaster kits should contain nonperishable food, drinking water, flashlight, battery-operated radio or television and extra batteries. Kits should be customized to meet the needs of your household and reevaluated at least once a year.

If you own a generator, make sure it is rated for the amount of power you will use and connected properly to avoid overloading or stressing the unit. If you own a portable generator, don't connect it to your home's electrical system. Use a heavy-duty exterior-use extension cord to connect your appliances and equipment directly to the outlets in the generator. If you have a stationery generator, make sure a licensed electrician has installed a UL-approved transfer switch to prevent generator power from feeding into the power lines and harming unsuspecting line-workers and others.

Remember to never run a generator inside your home or garage, or near entryways or open windows. Per the American Red Cross, the primary hazards to avoid when using a generator are carbon monoxide poisoning from the engine exhaust, electric shock or electrocution, and fire. Be sure to properly and diligently follow the directions supplied with the generator.

If there is a downed line outside your home, you should consider it energized unless you can clearly see both ends are cut. If a line is down and you don't know how to contact the power company, call 911.

If your meter comes loose after a storm, do not tamper with it yourself. Not only is it illegal, but it's extremely dangerous.

If your refrigerator was without power during an outage, make sure to throw out any unsafe food. You should discard any food that has been exposed to temperatures 40°F for two or more hours. When in doubt, throw it out.

And remember, if you're without power on a hot day, make sure to drink plenty of water whether you feel thirsty or not. ●

2015 Miami County Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

The Miami County Sanitary Engineering will be holding a hazardous waste drop-off program the first Wednesday each month from 9:00 am - noon. Dates for 2015 events are August 5, September 2 and October 7. Cost is \$1/pound. They are located at 2200 North County Road 25A in Troy.

Items for proper disposal include: paint cans (latex & acrylic), aerosol cans of paint, strippers, pool chemicals, gasoline/kerosene, fluorescent light bulbs, household cleaners, antifreeze, varnishes and stains, wax/adhesives/sealants, pesticides, transmission fluid, mercury, turpentine and fertilizers.

For more information contact Miami County Sanitary Engineering at 937-440-3488. ●

2015 Miami County Electronics Recycling Drop-Off

The Miami County Solid Waste District will hold an electronics recycling drop-off for residents on Saturday, August 29, from 8:00 am - noon. The drop-off will be held at the Miami County Sanitary Engineering Building at 2200 N. County Road 25A in Troy.

This is a free drop off event, with the exception of a charge for the disposal of cathode ray tube (CRT) televisions. CRT televisions that are 36" or less will be charged \$5. CRT televisions that are more than 36" will be charged \$10. Cash only will be accepted. Flat screen televisions will be disposed of at no cost, along with computers, CPUs, monitors, DVD players, VCRs, cell phones, laptops and miscellaneous computer equipment. ●

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Boards and Commissions Vacancies

The Tipp City Board of Zoning Appeals currently has one opening. If you are interested in serving or wish to learn more about this Board, please visit our website www.tippcityohio.gov and go to the City Government section. You may also contact the Clerk of Council at 667-8425 or via email at batesj@tippcity.net for additional information. •



Tipp City Veterans' Memorial Pavers

The City of Tipp City is accepting orders for memorial pavers to be installed in the Veterans' Memorial Park for 2015. The tan bricks are available in two sizes:

- 4" x 8"- 3 lines of print (\$53.25)
- 8" x 8"- 6 lines of print (\$213.00)

Applicants/honoree must have a connection to Tipp City/Monroe Township. Applications are available at the Tipp City Government Center, Tipp Monroe Community Services, or online at www.tippcityohio.gov. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Tipp City and received by September 1, 2015.

The pavers will be ordered in September and will be installed by Veterans Day, November 11, 2015. Any questions on this program, please call the Service Department at 937-667-6305. •

Yard Waste Pick-Up

By Ohio law, source-separated yard waste may not be landfilled. As a result, Waste Management and Tipp City have created a yard waste program where lawn bags are purchased at the Government Center or Food Town for \$1.75 each. The cost of the lawn bag includes pick-up and compost fees incurred by Waste Management. Lawn bags purchased from other retail locations will not be picked up by Waste Management.

All lawn waste should be placed in these bags and then set out Sunday evening for pick-up on Mondays, from April through November. If the yard waste does not fit in a bag but is more than 2 feet in diameter and 4 feet long, it can be placed for pick-up with a lawn bag attached to the bundle. If you have additional questions regarding yard waste pick-up, please call Waste Management at 866-695-3433. •

Yard Waste Disposal

Reminder...City residents have a way to dispose of yard waste at no cost. The City has entered into an agreement with BR Mulch, 620 Ginghamburg Road, to accept City residents' yard waste at no cost to the resident. BR Mulch will accept yard waste in the form of branches, brush and trees (smaller than 12" inches in diameter). No leaves, stumps or root balls will be accepted.

Normal operating hours are:

- March 2 – November 27**
Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- March 14 – July 25**
Saturdays 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
- August 1 – November 28**
Saturdays 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
- April 12 – June 28**
Sundays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm •

Important City Contacts

**Automated Attendant/
Direct Connect**
669-TIPP

**Police, Fire and EMS
(EMERGENCY)**
9-1-1

**Miami County Communications
Center (Non-Emergency)**
440-9911

Police (Non-Emergency)
667-3112

**Fire and EMS
(Non-Emergency)**
667-9199 or 667-1680

Utility Billing
667-8424

Planning/Zoning
667-6305

Engineering and Utilities
667-6305

**Refuse Collection
(Waste Management)**
(866)695-3433

**Service Center
(Parks and Streets)**
667-8234

City Manager's Office
667-8425

Clerk of Council
667-8425

Construction Notice Update
667-6293