



Tippecanoe news

A monthly summary of municipal affairs and activities

Spring Reminders

The City of Tipp City Community & Economic Development Department wishes to remind residents that if they are planning to install a fence, deck, swimming pool, or accessory building (shed) in their yard or make an addition to their home, that a Zoning Compliance Permit is required prior to starting the project. Any other building/electrical/heating permits needed are obtained at the Miami County Building Regulations in Troy. Please stop by the Government Center, 260 S. Garber Drive, call (937)667-6305 or check our website www.tippcityohio.gov for further information when you are putting together your spring and summer building plans. Permit information on improvements to sidewalks, driveways, and approaches is also available •

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 6 - November 24 *Monday - Friday* 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

March 11 - July 24 *Saturdays* 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

August 5 - November 25 *Saturdays* 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

April 9 - June 25 *Sundays* 10:00 am - 2:00 pm •

Memorial Pavers

The City of Tipp City is currently accepting orders for Pet/Memorial Stones. Bricks will be installed in the Kyle Dog Park, but aren't just for dogs. Stones can be purchased for cats, fish, snakes, rabbits, hamsters, or any other beloved pet. The tan bricks are 6" x 6" and are available for \$20 per paver. Bricks may contain up to 3 lines of print, 20 characters per line, including spaces. 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. Questions regarding this program can be directed to the Service Department at (937)667-6305. •

2017 Aquatic Center Season

The calendar might say its winter but it's not too early to start thinking of warm weather and fun at the Tippecanoe Family Aquatic Center. The Tippecanoe Family Aquatic Center will be open Memorial Day Weekend (May 27th - May 29th).

2017 Operating Hours Are:

June 1st - August 20th

12:00 noon - 8:00 pm *Sun. - Thurs.*

11:00 am - 7:00 pm *Fri. & Sat.*

Purchase your 2017 Season Pass **before April 30, 2017** and receive \$21 off a family membership or \$10 off a single membership. Passes are now on sale by visiting the Tipp City Government Center Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm. Pass information is available online at www.tippcityohio.gov. •

Shelter Reservations

Whether you are looking for a place to hold a baby shower or graduation party, City Park and Kyle Park have shelters available for your special event. City Park features the historic Roundhouse and can seat 60 people. The Roundhouse can be rented for the entire day (7 am - 11 pm) to Tipp City residents for \$80. Also located in City Park are open air shelters which are available on a first-come, first-served basis and do not require a rental fee.

Kyle Park is the home to three shelters including Rotary Pavilion, Kyle Sports Pavilion and Timmer Pavilion. Rotary Pavilion is available at no cost on a first-come, first-served basis. Both Kyle Sports Pavilion and Timmer Pavilion rent to Tipp City residents for \$50 for the entire day (7 am - 11 pm) and each offers eight picnic tables and a grill.

If you are interested in renting a shelter or need additional information, contact Dawn Gross. She can be reached by calling (937)667-6305. •

STORM WATER POLLUTION SOLUTIONS: **Caring for Your Home**

- Pick up trash and litter around your yard and home to prevent it from clogging storm drains.
- Direct rainwater from your down spouts to vegetated areas or collect rainwater in a barrel.
- Pick up pet waste and dispose of it in the trash.
- Never clean brushes or pour paint in a gutter. Rinse brushes used for water-based paint in the sink. For oil-based paints, filter and reuse paint thinner.
- Properly dispose of paints, cleaners, and solvents through a hazardous waste collection program.
- If you spill paint, contain quickly with kitty litter, sweep up, and dispose of properly.
- Do not rinse concrete or mortar into storm drains or ditches. Sweep up all project debris.
- Use only non-toxic, biodegradable cleaners when pressure washing, or just use water. •

Summer Yard Watering Notice

In preparation for the summer yard watering season, the City of Tipp City has three options available.

All residential service provides for a cap on summer sewer charges whereby a resident is billed sewage charges on the lesser of actual consumption or a maximum of 17,000 gallons during the monthly billing dates of June 1, July 1, August 1, September 1, October 1, and November 1 (approximately April 15 – October 15 consumption). This program has been in place and used since 1988 and does not require a resident to do anything to continue to receive this summer sewer cap.

City Council then adopted Ordinance 17-14 which permits the installation of an irrigation meter, at the homeowner's expense, to physically separate water used inside the home from water used outside the home. Residents will be charged for all water used inside and outside the home, but will only be charged the sewer charges for consumption of water used inside the home. Because the meter physically separates flows inside from flows outside the home, this billing mechanism is in place year-round.

A significant change that City Council passed in 2015, Ordinance 7-15, allows a resident to apply for a winter average reduction. "In lieu of installing a secondary water meter, a residential customer may submit an application for relief, for those months including the billing dates of July 1, August 1, September 1, October 1, and November 1 (approximately May 15 – October 15 consumption) all

single-family residential housing units will have their **sewer and wastewater charges** capped at a maximum consumption based upon the average water consumption for the preceding seven months (the "winter average") at that residential unit. Billing sewer in these instances will be the lesser of actual water consumption or the "winter average" consumption. Customers will still be charged for 100% of the water consumption for these summer months.

(a) An occupant shall have lived at such unit's location throughout said preceding seven month period to qualify for such summer average.

(b) An occupant who has utility services disconnected for a period in excess of four consecutive weeks during the seven month "winter average" period will not be eligible for such summer average."

Each resident will have to determine which of these three options is to their benefit:

1. 17,000 gallon consumption cap (automatically applied)
2. Irrigation meter
3. "Winter averaging" (application is required)

For additional information on this program, please email the Utility Billing Department at utilitybilling@tippcity.net or visit the website at:

<http://tippcityohio.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/Application-for-summer-sewer-credit.pdf>. •



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

Tax Department 667-8426

**Engineering and Utilities
667-6305**

**Refuse Collection
(Waste Management Inc.)
(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**