



COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR JASON KEERAN

I want to take this opportunity to cover a couple of areas of interest, which I believe is of interest to all in our fine Village.

The first area I want to cover is upcoming projects for the Village in 2009. The first project we will be doing is redoing the well house at the Water Treatment Plant. This project is long overdue; this will make a better cover and closure over the wells to protect the public supply of drinking water of the Village. The project will also allow for further storage options for the Village. I hope to see this project completed by fall of this year.

The second project is to clean and maintenance the wells and pumps that provide the drinking water for the Village. This project includes checks and inspection of the motors, shafts, bowls and screens. If any of these items are found to be worn or not within tolerances, they are replaced. The well itself will be "scratched and bailed", this is a process of mechanically scraping and removing built up material in the well. Also the well casings themselves are cleaned and disinfected. This is an EPA mandated compliance that is to be done every seven to eight years. This should be done in July or August; this will not affect your ability to have water.

Third, the Village is going to look at paving overlays for two or three streets depending on the cost of asphalt and monies available. The Village is also looking into starting a crack sealing program to extend pavement life.

Fourth, the Village will be replacing one of the Village's cruisers this year. The Village will either trade in the old cruisers or put them up for sealed bids. This will lower costs incurred to the Village by not having to maintain or insure the old cruisers.

The Village also has two CDBG projects going out to bid this year for the 2007 and 2008 projects. The first is a handicapped accessible pedestrian walk bridge that will connect the Village Park with the Multi-Use Path. This will keep the pedestrians off of East Street if they want to access the path from the Park. The second CDBG project that will go to bid is the two handicapped accessible approaches on Sycamore St. for the future expansion of the Multi-Use Path through the Village.

The next topic I want to cover is how the financing of the Village works. The Village of North Lewisburg has two types of funds. They are General (unrestricted) and Enterprise (restricted). The General Fund is the easiest to cover as it receives its monies from Income taxes and County Local Government Funds. This fund, just as it implies, is used for all general operations of the Village. The second type of fund, the Enterprise fund, is a little more complicated to explain. These funds receive revenue to cover expenses and can only incur expenses directly related to the operation of that fund. The two main funds the Village has are the Water and Sewer Funds. These funds are to be self supporting of themselves. They should collect enough revenue to cover all expenses they have incurred such as Debt, Maintenance, Upkeep of the Distribution and Collection System and Payroll etc. Simply stated the monies collected for these funds should cover everything going out of them. Which currently they do not, that was the main reason for the water/sewer rate increase we all had to face at the beginning of the year.

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NOTES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR
 SUBMITTED BY: ANDY YODER
 RESOLUTIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Ordinance No. 241 (A). An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 47-F relating to the rates and charges for the use and service of the Municipal water service of the Municipality of North Lewisburg and amending Ordinance no.68-G relating to the rates and charges for the use and service of the Municipal sanitary sewer system of the Municipality of North Lewisburg and hereby creating an Ordinance establishing rates for the use and service of the Municipal water and sanitary sewer service.

Rescind: Resolution 12-03-2002. Declining future annexations.

Adopt: Resolution 10-07-08, Declaring services to be provided by the Village of North Lewisburg for the proposed Blazer Annexation.

Ordinance No. 242. An Ordinance to approve, adopt and enact, a new Ordinance within section of the Codified Ordinances of North Lewisburg, containing certain definitions, requirements, regulations and prohibitions concerning PARKING PROHIBITIONS AFTER SNOWFALL.

Ordinance No. 243, accepting application for annexation of 12.004 acres owned by William E. and Karen S. Blazer.

Final reading of Ordinance 241(A), increasing the Water and Sewer Rates.

Second reading of **Ordinance No. 243,** accepting application for annexation of 12.004 acres owned by William E. and Karen S. Blazer.

Third and final reading of **Ordinance No. 243,** accepting application for annexation of 12.004 acres owned by William E. and Karen S. Blazer.

Ordinance 244 adoption 2009 Ohio Basic Code.

Resolution 03-03-09(A), allowing the Administrator to sit in place of the Mayor on the Champaign County Health Board.

Resolution 03-03-09(B), allowing the Administrator to sit in place of the Mayor on the Champaign County Emergency Management Agency Executive Committee.

Ordinance 241(B), amending Ordinance 241(A) allowing for proposed Sewer Rebate Amendment, in case of catastrophic and unforeseen circumstances.

Recommendation to Repeal N.L.V.O. 90.16 and Amend N.L.V.O. 90.26 and renumber to 90.09.

Ordinance #245

Ordinance 246, Renumbering North Lewisburg Village Ordinance 90.26 Prohibitions Against Hunting to 90.09, therefore rectifying conflict with the Ohio Basic Code

WATER AND SEWER BILLING DEPT. -
 SUBMITTED BY: JAYNE LEITER, UTILITY CLERK

The rate increase for water and sewer usage went into effect with the February Billing which was based on the usage from December 26 thru January 26. The increase was well published by the village newsletter, newspapers, and by individual mailings and a public meeting.

The minimum base rate is \$60.00 for usage from 1 gallon to 3000 gallon. The charge for each additional 1000 gallon (up to 6000) is \$19.74. If usage exceeds 6000 gallon, charge would be \$19.96 for each 1000 gallon used.

Since we have received some calls in regard to how the bill is actually computed, please note the following example.

Customer used 3,214 gallon (noted on your monthly bill under the heading "usage".

3000 gallon	\$60.00
214 gallon x \$19.74	4.22
Customer billed for	64.22



We receive many questions as to what is a typical usage. It depends on many variables especially the number of occupants in the household, water softeners, dishwashers, lawn watering, etc. including individual personal usage which varies from person to person. The average usage for the bills that were mailed in March was 4,520 gallon. Households in the village range from 1 person up to 8 or more.

The water rate increase was needed to allow the system to be solvent. It was not increased to create a profit.

Comments from the Mayor:

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I want you to know as residents the governing body has to face the same increases you face as a consumer too. It was brought to my attention about questions of the water rates and peoples Water and Sewer bills being more than electric bills, remember for each individual in a household, the EPA says each individual will use or consume 1000-1500 gallons of water a month. Currently the Village has approximately \$500,000.00 a year in debt payments on these two systems. Keep in mind that these debts were not just hasty decisions made by the Village Council to incur more debt, but forced upon the Village by State Environmental Mandates.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about how the Village operates don't hesitate to contact me by either Email, Phone or just by in my office.



NORTHEAST CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT



We have currently added the following new staff to our department:

Scott McCain-EMTP/FF, Ryan Wade-EMTP/FF, James Collins-EMTP/FF

Brad Flora-EMTP/FF, Jason Inskeep-FF, Nathan Shaw-FF

Drue LeMasters, Cadet / Nathan Penhorwood, Cadet / Sierra Penhorwood, Cadet

Jeremy Roberts, Cadet / Dustin Sarver, Cadet / Josh Welty, Cadet

**Congratulations to the following for their efforts in continuing
their education to better serve their community:**

Richard Bishop, 36 hour Firefighter / Chuck Keeran, FF1

Sam Wagner, FF1 / Michael Wagner, FF1 / Jason Inskeep, FF1

Nathan Shaw, FF1 / Josh Holbrook, FF1 / John Flora, FF1

Thad Davis, EMT / Michael Wagner, EMT

A Special thanks to,

Dave Spain, who has recently retired after 31 years of service
and Chad Spain who has resigned after 19 years of service.

SAFETY ISSUES

Remember to check your smoke detectors!

If you don't have one, get one Please.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED FOR

April 21st

From 1Pm to 7PM at the Municipal Building

PLEASE HELP US MEET OUR GOAL

OF 30 UNITS

Special Note:

During the month of June we will be doing
hydrant flow testing in the Village of North Lewisburg for the
purpose of ISO ratings and for painting of the hydrants to meet
NFPA standards.



**PUBLIC NOTICE OF SPRING CLEAN-UP
AS DECLARED BY NORTH LEWISBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL**



May 1 – May 8, 2009 as required by
Ohio General Code # 521-08

All residents, property owners and business places are urged to comply and work to beautify their properties by removing unsightly debris, trash and junk vehicles.

Dumpsters will be placed at the Village Garage located on East St. from Friday, May 1 through Friday May 8.

Residents will be allowed to place items in the dumpsters from 9 AM – 2 PM.

RESIDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO FURNISH VERIFICATION OF RESIDENCY SUCH AS A WATER BILL STUB. ANYONE OTHER THAN VILLAGE RESIDENTS USING THE DUMPSTERS WILL BE PROSECUTED. Attached is a list of unacceptable materials that cannot be placed in the dumpsters. Village residents may bring chipping brush & tree limbs to the brush pile at the park. (No rocks, cement or trash is permitted.) **VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED.**

LIST OF UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS FOR DUMPSTERS

No concrete, brick, stone or asphalt

No dehumidifiers , refrigerators, freezers, or air conditioners will be accepted

No propane cylinders

Auto/Petroleum Products.

Tires

Batteries

Antifreeze

Oil, Lubricants/Fluids, Gas, Kerosene

GARDEN PRODUCTS

Yard Waste

Fertilizers

Pesticides

Garden Chemicals

PAINTS/HOBBY PRODUCTS

Liquid Paint, Thinners, Solvents

Stains, Varnish, Lacquer

Wood Stains, Preservatives

Paint Stripper, Glues, Adhesives

Florescent Lights

Ammunition

Photographic Chemicals

North Lewisburg Library

Article submitted by: Kay Schenkel

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Club is "Be Creative @ Your Library". Summer Reading Club activities are for preschoolers to 5th grade students. Young people in grades 6 -12 have their own teen program with the theme "Express Yourself @ Your Library". Pam Gibson, Youth Services Specialist will be visiting Triad Elementary to spread the word about summer activities.

Also this summer, watch for these blockbuster bestsellers being released. In June, the North Lewisburg Branch will receive these new books – Razor Sharp by Fern Michaels, Roadside Crosses by Jeffery Deaver, Finger Lickin Fifteen by Janet Evanovich and Swimsuit by James Patterson. July brings Best Friends Forever by Jennifer Weiner, Guardian of Lies by Steve Martini and Black Hills by Nora Roberts. In August, watch for Smash Cut by Sandra Brown, Intervention by Robin Cook, and The Traffickers by W.E.B. Griffin. Call the branch library at 747-3043 or the main library at 653-3811 or log on to www.champaign.lib.oh.us with your library card number and pin number to get on the list for any of these books.

New titles already received this year at the North Lewisburg Branch Library include these adult fiction titles – Delia's Heart by V.C. Andrews, Heart and Soul by Maeve Binchy, While My Sister Sleeps by Barbara Delinsky, The Associate by John Grisham, Luke's Story by Tim LaHaye, The Host by Stephanie Meyer, Under the Radar by Fern Michaels, Plum Spooky by Janet Evanovich, Promises in Death by J.D. Robb, Run for Your Life by James Patterson, Handle With Care by Jodi Picoult, Pursuit by Karen Robards, One Day at a

Time by Danielle Steel and Mounting Fears by Stuart Woods. Some new books in the non-fiction section include Total Money Makeover by Dave Ramsey, Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson, Eat This Not That: Supermarket Survival Guide by David Zinczenko, The Fix-it and Enjoy-it Healthy Cookbook by Phyllis Good, The Biggest Loser Family Cookbook by Devin Alexander, Cut Your Energy Bills Now by Bruce Harley, Insiders Guide to Columbus, Ohio and The American Journey of Barack Obama.

Visit the North Lewisburg Branch of the Champaign County Library at 161 Winder St. North Lewisburg, Ohio. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 4 p.m. – 8 p.m., Thursday 1 p.m.- 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.



COMMUNITY POLICING – submitted by Deputy P. McMahill

Spring is here and summer is right around the corner. I would like to commend the village residence. Last year, it seemed that there were less theft of items from yards and porches than the past. It makes our jobs easier as well as, allowing you to keep what is yours. Some tips to help us help you is take things out of yard over night such as bikes, toys, or things you would like to keep. It makes it to easy for someone looking to make your property theirs. Also the Village Council has designated clean up around the village and they are striving to make your home a cleaner one. I have worked with the administration to help in this effort. Some of the residents have received letters about motor vehicles on their properties that either are not operable, missing parts or have expired registration.

The Ordinance gives the residents 10 days from the time of notification to either repair, remove or place in a garage, the vehicles in question. They are also going around town to work with the residents about cleaning up problem areas of garbage and trash or private and public property. We are here to help in any way we can to assist you. If we can help, please call us.

The number for the Champaign Countywide Communications Center is 937-653-3409.



BE WATER-LOGICAL—SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER GANSON

There are many effective ways to conserve water in and around your home. Look through this list for ways that will work for you.

In the Bathroom

1. Put a plastic bottle or a plastic bag filled with water in your toilet tank. Displacing water in this manner allows you to use less water with each flush. This can Save 5 to 10 gallons a day. That's up to 300 gallons a month, even more for large families. Better yet, for even greater savings, replace your water-guzzling five to seven gallon a flush toilet with a one and a half gallon, ultra-low flush model.
2. If you're taking a shower, don't waste cold water while waiting for hot water to reach the shower head. Catch that water in a container to use on your outside plants or to flush your toilet. Saves 200 to 300 gallons a month.
3. Check toilet for leaks. Put dye tablets or food coloring into the tank. If color appears in the bowl without flushing, there's a leak that should be repaired. Saves 400 gallons a month.
4. Turn off the water while brushing your teeth. Saves three gallons each day.
5. Turn off the water while shaving. Fill the bottom of the sink with a few inches of water to rinse your razor. Saves three gallons each day.

In the Kitchen

1. If you wash dishes by hand—and that's the best way—don't leave the water running for rinsing. If you have two sinks, fill one with rinse water. If you only have one sink, use a spray device or short blasts instead of letting the water run. Saves 200 to 500 gallons a month.
2. When washing dishes by hand, use the least amount of detergent possible. This minimizes rinse water needed. Saves 50 to 150 gallons a month.
3. Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator. This beats the wasteful habit of running tap water to cool it for drinking. Saves 200 to 300 gallons a month.
4. Don't defrost frozen foods with running water. Either plan ahead by placing frozen items in the refrigerator overnight or defrost them in the microwave. Saves 50 to 150 gallons a month.
5. Don't let the faucet run while you clean vegetables. Rinse them in a filled sink or pan. Saves 150 to 250 gallons a month.
6. Use the garbage disposal less and the garbage more (even better—compost!). Saves 50 to 150 gallons a month.

Outside

1. Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants. Chunks of bark, peat moss or gravel slows down evaporation. Saves 750 to 1,500 gallons a month.
2. If you have a pool, use a pool cover to cut down on evaporation. It will also keep your pool cleaner and reduce the need to add chemicals. Saves 1,000 gallons a month.
3. Water during the cool parts of the day. Early morning is better than dusk since it helps prevent the growth of fungus. Saves 300 gallons.
4. Don't water the lawn on windy days. There's too much evaporation. Can waste up to 300 gallons in one watering.
5. Cut down watering on cool and overcast days and don't water in the rain. Adjust or deactivate automatic sprinklers. Can save up to 300 gallons each time.
6. Set lawn mower blades one notch higher. Longer grass means less evaporation. Saves 500 to 1,500 gallons each month.
7. Have an evaporative air conditioner? Direct the water drain line to a flower bed, tree base, or lawn.
8. Drive your car onto a lawn to wash it. Rinse water can help water the grass.
9. Tell your children not to play with the garden hose. Saves 10 gallons a minute.
10. If you allow your children to play in the sprinklers, make sure it's only when you're watering the yard—if it's not too cool at that time of day.
11. Xeriscape—replace your lawn and high-water-using trees and plants with less thirsty ones. But do this only in wet years. Even drought resistant plantings take extra water to get them going. That'll save 750 to 1,500 gallons a month.
12. When taking your car to a car wash—a good idea for saving water—be sure it's one of the many that recycles its wash water.
13. Dispose of hazardous materials properly! One quart of oil can contaminate 250,000 gallons of water, effectively eliminating that much water from our water supply





MAYOR'S COURT
 Diane Davis, Magistrate Clerk
 G. S. Weithman, Magistrate
 March 13, 2009



Magistrate Court began in April 2002, prior to the Village establishing a Magistrate/Mayor's Court all Traffic Violations and Misdemeanor Violations were sent to the Champaign County Municipal Court and all revenue generated was kept at the Champaign County Municipal Court, since we established the Court system the revenue stays within the Village with the exception of a small portion of the Traffic Violations going to the State.

In November 2007 Glen Kemp, our daytime deputy, went back to work at the Champaign County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Phil McMahill took Deputy Kemp's place on the day shift and in January, 2008 Deputy John McNeely took Deputy McMahill's night shift.

Magistrate Court has generated the following revenue since its beginning in April 2002 to the present date of Feb. 28th, 2009:

Apr. – Dec. 2002	\$ 14,646.58
Jan. – Dec. 2003	\$ 24,186.52
Jan. – Dec. 2004	\$ 20,652.56
Jan. – Dec. 2005	\$ 33,868.22
Jan. – Dec. 2006	\$ 21,722.72
Jan – Dec. 2007	\$ 19,958.25
Jan – Dec. 2008	\$ 28,353.95
Jan – Feb. 2009	\$ 2,934.50
Total	\$ 166,323.30

A small portion of that revenue must be sent to the State for all Traffic Violations:

Apr. – Dec. 2002	\$ 2,040.00
Jan. – Dec. 2003	\$ 1,800.00
Jan. – Dec. 2004	\$ 1,680.00
Jan. – Apr. 2005	\$ 3,020.00
Jan. – Dec. 2006	\$ 1,980.00
Jan. – Dec. 2007	\$ 2,040.00
Jan – Dec. 2008	\$ 2,587.50
Jan – Feb. 2009	\$ 362.50
Total	\$ 15,510.00

Court is held at the Community Building on the first and third Mondays of each month, unless it falls on a holiday. Gil S. Weithman resides as the Magistrate and hears all cases brought into court.

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WATER CONSERVATION WORD FIND

Find the following words about water and water conservation in the word find puzzle.

Words can be located forward, backward, diagonally, up, and down.

water wise, gallon, low flow, drinking, water supply, pipeline, pumps, drip, meter, well, leak, aquifer, sprinkler, reservoir, tank, lakes, rainfall, save, treatment, water cycle, rain gauge, evaporation, snow, conserve

REMEMBER:
 Water is our most precious resource. Water is necessary for all life and it should be conserved, valued and protected.

Village Phone Numbers

Adm. Office	747-3645	Water Dept.	747-2200
Mayor	747-3645	Park Activities	747-3645
W/S Billing	747-3645	Fire Dept.	747-2345
Magistrate Ct.	747-3645	Sheriff's Office	652-1313
Street Dept.	747-2200	Library	747-3043

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Office hours are weekdays:

9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Payment Drop Box for Water/Wastewater Bills is located east of the double door for your use during non-business hours.

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