



Important Phone Numbers

Police	911 or 884-0080
Billing Questions	583-4944
Clerk's Office	583-0089
Republic/Allied Waste	477-9138
Streets and Water	583-3430

Councilmen

Ron Shoup	337-5876
Kevin Burk	404-1481
Dirk Studebaker	574-551-2903
Doyle Allison	583-9481
Amy Brown	376-0366

Calendar January 2016

5th	Town Council Meeting 6:00 PM
6th	Trash & Recycle
18th	Town Hall Closed
19th	Town Council Meeting 6:00 PM
20th	Trash & Recycle

Otterbein Rotary Announces

Tour of Lights Winners
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Online Bill Pay



View Bill Online



No Registration Required



Automatic Payments

Go To: www.otterbein.in.gov & select "OTTERBEIN UTILITY ONLINE BILL PAY"

The new utility bill payment service for the

Town of Otterbein is here...

The Town of Otterbein has been accepting online payments for a while, but now we have added online billing. Online Billing (or ebilling) means you can be notified via email when your bill is ready to pay. Then you'll be able to click in the email to view your current bill. Online billing is growing because residents who receive and pay their bills online spend less time writing checks, mailing payments, tracking due dates, and filing paperwork. Residents cite two big reasons for eliminating paper bills; reducing clutter and helping the environment.

Advantages of our "New" Online Billing and Payment Service

- Registration is not required to view or pay your bills online
- Enroll (or un-enroll) online for automatic payment service
- Make one-time payments with either credit card or e-check
- Bills can be paid from anywhere Internet access is available- 24x7
- Late fees can be avoided with scheduled payments

We want to support the environment in every way possible. So we are asking residents to "Go Paperless" and receive and pay their bills online. According to the PayItGreen AllianceTM, if one in five households were to switch to electronic payments, statements and bills, we could collectively: save 1.8 million trees each year and avoid using 103 million gallons of gasoline to mail bills, statements, and payments.

Please go to www.otterbein.in.gov to view/pay your current bill and "Go Paperless".

2016 Trash Calendar is here!

Located on the back page of this newsletter

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY?

The Otterbein Rotary Club is looking for members.

Some of the Service Projects we have done in the last year are:

Purchased School Supplies for needy students

Presented Scholarships to two Graduating Seniors

Helped with the Habitat for Humanity House that was built here in Otterbein

Sponsored the Yard of the Month Contest, the Holiday Decorating Contest and the Murder Mystery Fundraiser for the Otterbein Public Library

Provided Donations for The Benton Central After Prom, Benton County Relay for Life, to help purchase athletic uniforms for Benton County Elementary Schools

Provided livestock to other countries.

This is just a few of the things we were involved in this last year.

Being involved in Rotary allows you to serve at the Otterbein Local Level, the County Level and at the International Level.

Rotary Motto is Service Above Self

It is true the Otterbein Rotary Club Currently Meets at 6:30 am every Friday morning at the Otterbein United Methodist Church. However, we are considering opening up an additional meeting time during lunch one day a week, if there is interest.

If Interested Please come to an Informational Meeting
Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 12:00 PM at the Otterbein Public Library

Otterbein Rotary Presents...



 1st Place	Rick & Angela Ponto	105 E Peterson St
 2nd Place	Kris Perrigo	506 W Ventura
 3rd Place	Carol & Randall Hartley	412 E 1st St

Honorable Mention

Kent & Betsy Jones	307 E Sunset St
Ron & Wanda Walker	406 E 1st St

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2015 AT 6:00 PM

Council President Kevin Burk called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM with members Ron Shoup, Dirk Studebaker and Doyle Allison present. Member Leon McKinney was absent.

The Council held the Hearing for Disconnection. No residents were present to discuss. Ron Shoup made the motion to approve those presented for disconnection to be disconnected. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Ron Shoup made the motion to approve the November 2015 Minutes as written. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor. President Burk read the summary of Claims presented for a total of \$147,770.46. Dirk Studebaker made the motion to approve the claims for payment as presented. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Attorney Jud Barce explained that the County had chosen not to hold an election for the town since there were no contested seats. However, because the Council had passed an ordinance that the number of votes would determine who would get the 1 year terms and the 3 years terms for the next term cycle, they had determined that the Republican caucus votes was not an actual election. Jud is waiting on the State Election Board to get back with him as to how to determine who will get the 1 year terms and the 3 year terms. He will have that, for the next meeting. The Ordinance stated that in the event of no election the Council would draw straws. However, the election board doesn't seem to like that process, so we may have to amend the ordinance to allow the votes at the Republican Convention to determine the terms.

BF&S Engineer Mike Turchi presented the final Safe Routes to School Study. Kevin Burk made the motion to approve the report as presented. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Town Superintendent Seth Humphreys, discussed with the council, that he has received quotes for the new salt building. Materials would be \$5,500, installation \$3,000, and concrete about \$16,000. He will have actual quotes at the next meeting. He brought back up the topic of the push rod camera for the Stormwater Utility. The cost is \$6075.25 from Alliance Technology. Ron Shoup made the motion to approve the camera. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Utility Superintendent Lorean Johnston announced that he passed both his water tests. The Council congratulated him.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles presented Ordinance 2015-1201A A Resolution to deem surplus of furniture. Ron Shoup made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-1201A. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor. She presented Resolution 2015-1201B Resolution to approve Appropriation Transfers. Ron Shoup made the motion to adopt Resolution 2015-1201B Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Doyle Allison made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 PM. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 15, 2015 AT 6:00 PM

Council President Kevin Burk called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM with members Ron Shoup, Leon McKinney and Doyle Allison present. Member Dirk Studebaker was absent.

President Burk read the summary of claims presented for payment for a total of \$76,146.51. Leon McKinney made the motion to approve the claims for payment. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Alley addressed the Council regarding a sewer issue he had back in the summer. He had done a lot of work. The Town employees had been down there to help him on several occasions. The employees used the sewer jet on the town's main and it was clear. They also jetted his personal lateral at which there was a blockage where the lateral entered the main. He requested compensation for some of the work done on his sewer. It was explained, that it is the home owners responsibility for their lateral. The Council denied the request.

Clerk-Treasurer Presented an Award to Councilman Leon "Mac" McKinney on behalf of the Town for his 8 years of service. He will be greatly missed.

Attorney Jud Barce presented Ordinance 2015-1215A An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2014-1229A Creating Staggered Terms for the Town Council Members and Town Clerk-Treasurer. This will fixed the ordinance to allow the votes from the Republican Convention to determine who gets a 1 year term and a 3 year term. Ron Shoup made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-1215A. Leon McKinney seconded the motion and all were in favor. Kevin Burk and Doyle Allison will serve a 1 year term. Ron Shoup, Dirk Studebaker and Amy Brown will serve a 3 year term. Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles will also serve a 3 year term. This is the only time this will happen; after these terms are served the terms will return to 4 year terms. The staggering of terms was done so that everyone isn't voted in, at the same time and to allow us to move from a Town Election to a Standard Election with the County.

Jud then presented Ordinance 2015-1215B An Ordinance to Reduce Speed Limit and to Erect Speed Limit Signs. Ron Shoup made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-1215B. Doyle Allison seconded the motion. Ron Shoup Doyle Allison and Leon McKinney were in favor. President Burk opposed. The motion carried. This makes Main Street from the Southern town boundary north to US 52, 25 MPH. It also makes Maddox Road 25 MPH. Lastly, it makes the portion of Oxford Street from Maddox Road to US 52 45 MPH.

Town Marshal George Frantz brought up that the person who did sign damage at Sunset and Pine Streets, had paid \$20 and the rest has not been collected. The Council agreed to turn that over to the Town Attorney for the next step in collections.

Town Superintendent Seth Humphreys thanked the Council for the opportunity to work for the town and it has been a great year and is looking forward to next year. Town Utility Superintendent Lorean Johnston informed the Council that even though he has passed his water tests, IDEM only sent him an Operator in training license. He is to supply the state the documentation of his experience. Until the state decides, he has enough experience, he will be an Operator in Training and we will have to continue to employ employee Dave Glaspie. He also thanked them for allowing him to attend the conference in Columbus, he learned a lot.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles presented the Year-End Bad Accounts (Uncollectible) List to be written off the books, for a total of \$5,522.38. Most of this came from abandoned properties that went to Commissioner's sale. So even though we had liens filed, they were not collected in the sale. Ron Shoup made the motion to approve the accounts be written off. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor. She brought up the IACT Boot Camp coming up in January. Amy Brown and Treeva would like to attend and she asked if any of the other Council would like to attend, Kevin noted that he would like to attend and if they ever do training in the evenings he would be interested. Ron Shoup made the motion for Amy and Treeva attend the IACT Boot Camp and one night stay at the hotel. Leon McKinney seconded the motion and all were in favor. Lastly, she brought up the need to put together an Emergency Response Plan. She will get with John Fields for a possible template. Kevin would be willing to help with this in the evenings. George also stated that Seth, Lorean and Amy will need to complete the NIMS training.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Doyle Allison made the motion to adjourn at 6:55 PM. Leon McKinney seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Recycle Calendar

BLUE LID - TRASH CAN
GREEN LID - RECYCLE

Item Accepted:

- Plastics #1 through #7
- Glass Bottles & Jars
- Empty Aluminum, Metal Cans
- Empty Steele Cans
- Newspapers & Inserts
- Magazine & Phone Books
- Soft Cover Books
- Cardboard
- Brown Paper Bags
- Office/School Type Papers
- Shredded Material, Bagged

Every Wednesday is Trash Day

*Red highlight represents Holidays.
All routes will be running 1 day behind

Every Wednesday is Trash Day. Blue Highlight Represents a Trash Day with Recycle Service

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