



## From the desk of the Administrator...

I realize my article was to be on “Looking Back 2017/Looking Forward 2018”. After I started writing, I knew it would be too large for the Newsletter. It has been printed on a separate sheet for all of you to read on the various projects going on in our fine Village.

With that, I would like to revisit our discussion on our electric rates now that Council has had a first reading of the Ordinance at the January 22nd council meeting. I would want to start out with the energy charge for the residential rates. The proposed new energy charge is \$0.11548 cents per kWh. This is down from the current charge of \$0.11919. The energy charge is the cost of the electricity consisting of the generation, transmission, capacity and distribution costs. This is all of the cost for your electricity except the customer charge and the kWh tax.

The proposed new customer charge for residential will be \$10.00. This is an increase from the current charge of \$4.25. This charge is a fixed charge (does not change regardless of your usage) that we use for upkeep of the distribution system, buying meters and capital projects. So whether you use 100 kWh a month or 6000 kWh a month the charge is still \$10.00.

The final charge on your bill will be the kWh tax charge of \$0.00465 cents per kWh used. This charge will not be changing.

The typical monthly usage in Jackson Center is 832 kWh per month. Currently your electric bill using 832 kWh is costing \$107.27. Using the new proposed rate the same usage (832 kWh) will be costing you \$109.94 or \$2.67 more per month at the usage of 832 kWh.

Water and Sewage rates will also will be seeing an increase this year of 3%. The water will increase from \$17.78 a month to \$18.31 a month for the first 5000 gallons. An increase of \$0.53 cents per month using 5000 gallons or less. The sewer will increase from \$27.21 a month to \$28.03 a month for the first 5000 gallons. An increase of \$0.82 cents per month using 5000 gallons or less.

The customer charge on water will increase from \$4.00 to \$5.00 per month and Sewer will increase from \$6.00 to \$7.50 per month. These are fixed charges and do not change with usage.

So let’s now compare a current bill with 832 kWh of electric usage and 5000 gallons of water usage to the proposed new electric rates and with the new water and sewer increases for 2018.

**Current - 2017 Electric - \$107.27 + Water- 21.78 + Sewer- \$33.21 = \$162.26**

**Proposed – Electric - \$109.94 + Water - \$23.31 + Sewer - \$35.53 = \$168.78**

A Difference of \$6.52 for the month. Any questions feel free to give me a call at the Village Office at 596-6314. (Next month: Main Street Lighting Project)



**Officer Zac M. Smith**



- ◆ Originally Hired in October, 2016 as Part time, Went Full time in January 8, 2018
- ◆ Education: Piqua High School – Graduated in May 2009 from Edison State Community College (Associates Degree in Criminal Justice)
- ◆ Community Service: Covington Police Department September 2012 – December 2015
- ◆ Accomplishments: Associates Degree in Criminal Justice
- ◆ Background: Has served in Law Enforcement since September, 2012
- ◆ Family: Married with two children
- ◆ Hobbies: Spending time with family & friends, Hunting & Fishing

## 2018 PTO BALL DROP!

- ◆ Purchase mini basketball raffle tickets for \$10 per ball
- ◆ Raffle tickets can be purchased at any home Jackson Center Boys High School game or at the Heidout
- ◆ Balls will be dropped at the JC gym following the boys JC vs. Houston game on Friday, February 16, 2018
- ◆ You need not be present to win!
- ◆ Ball that lands in or closest to target wins up to \$5,000
- ◆ 50/50 split up to \$5,000; Split the pot if more than one ball lands inside the target
- ◆ The PTO will use the proceeds towards their technology fund to benefit JC students

**Questions? Contact Ashleigh Gross or Sarah Prenger at [jctigerspto@gmail.com](mailto:jctigerspto@gmail.com)**

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## COATS FOR VETS

Last year and over the past several weeks I have been asked, "where are the Coats For Vets Drums?" I hope this helps answer your questions. The Dayton V.A. and other places I used to take your lightly used coats, hats, scarves and gloves have shut down their operation because people, not us, were bringing in coats and other clothing that were infested with bed bugs. As you would expect, this has created a terrible problem. I have searched everywhere to take the coats all of you have given and want to give to vets and no one is taking anything because of this.

We at the Shelby County Veterans Service office in Sidney, has started a program this year called: Winter Gear for Veterans. We are requesting if someone wants to donate coats, hats, scarves or gloves, they give us a gift card from Wal-Mart. We are taking veterans who need these items to keep warm this winter to Wal-Mart and buying them what they need. If you want to help with this project, you can drop off a gift card from Wal-Mart at our home. I represent the Shelby County American Legion Posts on that board and will see your gift cards get to our office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or message me at: 937-726-5756.

Thank you.  
Ron Leininger  
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## OPEN HOUSE

Dear Friends,

You are invited to an open house on February 11, 2018 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Jackson Center American Legion Hall 627 East College Street, Jackson Center, Ohio. It is our way of **saying thanks** to each and every one of you for helping us with our **Window and Roof Replacement Project**. Please mark your calendar. We hope you can make it.

Members:

Jackson Center American Legion Scherer Post # 493  
Jackson Center Son's of The American Legion Detachment # 493

## JC United Methodist Church

### BLOOD DRIVE

**Tuesday, February 6, 2018 from 2-6pm at the Jackson Center United Methodist Church.**  
Make appointment at [www.donortime.com](http://www.donortime.com) or call the Community Blood center at 1-800-388-GIVE.

### Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Remember all Village Residents can receive free smoke detectors from the Village Office. In addition, Carbon Monoxide detectors are available for \$20 each. Please remember to check your alarms regularly and install new batteries twice a year. Also remember to talk with those in your home regarding what to do in case of a fire and establish a fire exit plan. Each member should know 2 ways out of their residence and have a meeting point once they escape.

### CHICKEN DINNER

February 10<sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 6:00pm

At the JC American Legion

\$8.00 per ticket

Chicken Dinner includes: 4 pieces of Chicken, Corn, Au Gratin Potatoes, & Roll

Benefits 8<sup>th</sup> Grade DC Trip & 4-H Clubs

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **February 3**
  - Legion Chicken Fry 4:30-6:30
- **February 6**
  - JCUMC Blood Drive, 2-6pm
- **February 12**
  - Council Meeting at 7pm
- **February 14**
  - Fish Pond Food Pantry 11-2pm
- **February 15**
  - Jackson Township Trustee Mtg. 7pm
- **February 22**
  - JC Growth Association Mtg. Noon at Family Life Center
- **February 26**
  - Council Meeting at 7pm
- **February 28**
  - Fish Pond Food Pantry 11-2pm

### Trash & Recycling Collection Dates

February 6, 13, 20, 27