

# Ansonia Announcements



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# 2016 Income Tax Changes Per House Bill 5

## Important Changes When Filing Your 2016 City Income Tax Returns

- 1) All residents (excluding retirees) 18 years and older <u>MUST</u> file a local income tax return. All municipalities are mandatory filing.
- 2) All returns <u>MUST</u> be signed.
- 3) A \$ 25.00 per month penalty, up to 6 months or \$ 150.00 will be added to any late filed returns (even if no tax is due).
- 4) Returns with unpaid balances due will be charged 15% penalty plus 5% per annum (.42% per month) until balance is paid in full.
- 5) All individual and business returns are due April 15th. Business returns with a F/Y ending date are due the 15th of the fourth month following the year end date.
- 6) A copy of Page 1 of your federal tax return form <u>MUST</u> be turned in with your city income tax return.

For additional information or questions please contact the Ansonia Income Tax department: Julie Kimmel - 937-337-5005.

# **Ansonia Fire Department**

The Ansonia Volunteer Fire Department would like to say a big thank you to everyone that supported this years Chili supper and Halloween parade. Thanks to your support they had a record setting year.



# **Mayor's Corner**

A few notes from the desk of the Mayor

First of all, I would like to say how grateful I am to be your Mayor, I am looking forward to serving you as such. Filling Mayor Koverman's shoes will be no small task. During Jerry's terms as Mayor he guided the Village through many challenging times making Ansonia a better place to live and do business. We will always be thankful for Mayor Koverman's leadership and guidance during his tenure as Mayor.

Some of you may wonder what does a Mayor really do? The Mayor's primary responsibility is to oversee the administrative portion of the village government. Basically to see that everything is running smoothly and help in areas that need attention. I am lucky to have a very good Team to work with: Tom Welbaum our Village Administrator, Julie Kimmel our Village Finical Administrator, Chief of Police

Frank Shapiro, Fire Chief Bill Clark, and our Public Works Department headed up by Don DeMange.

The other part and as equally important part of our Village government is our Council. Their role is primarily legislative; they make the rules and look at the big picture issues. They help in providing direction and keep the village on track. I feel privileged to have a great council to work with: Dave Kanney, John Middleton, Ted Adkins, Dan Brown, Jeff Gariety, and Mike Hackler. I am sure they would be interested in hearing your thoughts and ideas.

Again, I am looking forward to serve you as Mayor and if you need to talk to me please feel free to call or text me at: 937-467-1980.
Rick Lee

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Don't forget breakfast with Santa will be held at the Ansonia American Legion on Saturday, December 3, 2016 from 9am-12pm. Santa is expected to arrive around 9:30 am. Bring the Kids out and enjoy a very good breakfast and visit with Santa. Any questions please contact Betty Burnfield at 937-337-4883.



PET OWNERS – A reminder to clean up after your animals. We are still receiving complaints from downtown businesses and several residents that animal droppings are a problem. This really makes our downtown area look bad if clean-up doesn't happen. Please carry a plastic bag and remove any mess your pets have created. Animals are to be on a leash or confined to your property. Thanks for your help

All Village Council meetings are open to the public. Council meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers, 100 West Canal Street.

# Ansonia Community Christmas Celebration

Join Ansonia Community Pride and the Ansonia Fire Department for a Community Christmas Celebration On December 10, 2016. Santa will be at the Fire Department from 6-9 pm and Thunderhorse Carriages will be giving horse and carriage rides for a \$10 donation from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The carriage rides will be going down West Weller St. and West High St. Folks enjoying the carriage rides will be voting for the best decorated house on those streets. We encourage you to show your best Christmas décor! There will be hot chocolate and cookies available in the fire station. We would like to thank our sponsors, Thunder Carriages, Waymire Utility Barns, Reier's Auto Service and Pressure IT Power Washing.

The mission of Ansonia Community Pride is to work in partnership with the Village of Ansonia and community members to fund and facilitate projects and initiatives that better our community. We invite you to join us at our next meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7pm in the village council room located at 202 N. Main St.

#### Village Residents Approve Electric & Natural Gas Aggregation Programs

Ansonia as well as the communities of Greenville, Wayne Lakes, Bellefontaine, Belle Center, Degraff, Quincy, West Milton, Covington, Newberry Township and Anna approved electric and natural gas aggregation programs and will be combined in a bulk bidding process to secure fixed electricity and natural gas rates for eligible residents and small businesses. Jeff Haarmann, of Affordable Gas & Electric, said that if all goes as planned AGE expects to have the bid process completed by mid-February with new lower electricity rates in place before the summer air conditioning season begins. Natural gas bids will likely be conducted during the summer as natural gas rates will be better. Jeff indicated that suppliers have already reached out to us asking when the bidding process will begin. If you have any questions about the programs you can visit:

www.AffordableElectricrates.com or call 1-855-682-0222 for more information.

#### **Brush Pickup**

# The last brush and limb pickup for 2016 will be planned for the first week of December. Please have brush and limbs out by December 5th.

Thank You.

#### Thank You

The East Canal Street Project is pretty well concluded and the Village would like to say Thank You to the residents for having patience's during the inconvenience of the project.

# Village Resident Reminders

A couple of reminders to all residents of the Village please help us keep the Village looking nice by keeping all newspaper that are in your front yards and in the driveways picked up. This also keeps them out of the catch basins where they can slow down removal of Storm Water. Also please keep all trash and debris cleaned up on your property as this can create a place to harbor varmints and is a general eyesore for the community. Inoperative and unlicensed vehicles need to be stored in a enclosed building and obscured from view. Please do not sit trash containers out more than 24 hrs. prior to trash being picked up and please remove trash containers from the roadway after the trash has been picked up.

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## **Recyclable Containers**

Just a reminder to those using the recyclable containers to make sure that they are only putting the proper items into them. We have had some issues with people disposing of items not intended for the containers. Anyone observing someone putting improper items into the recyclable containers or beside them, please call the village office at 937-337-6781. This is a service provided by Darke County Solid Waste that we don't want to lose. A big thank you to all of you for doing your part in conservation and saving the environment.

# Utility Office Hours

The utility/tax administration office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3pm and open the first to the fifteenth day of the first month of each quarter (January, April, July, October).

 Monday
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

 Tuesday
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

 Wednesday
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

 Thursday
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

 Friday
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays

For after hour payments, there is a payment drop slot in the front door of the Ansonia Municipal Building at 202 North Main St.

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