

TOWN OF LOWELL NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2018

BRANCH PICKUP

The Town of Lowell's Street Department will begin to pick up branches on the second week of each month from June 11th through November 16th. Residents are asked to place branch piles along the curb (not in the street) and away from mailboxes and parked cars. Maximum sizes for branches are 15 feet long and 6 inches in diameter. Please do not include large stumps with roots attached.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION



Residents of Lowell will have an opportunity to get rid of hazardous wastes cluttering up their garages and basements on Saturday, September 8th. The Lake County Solid Waste Management District will bring its mobile unit to the Lake County Highway Department at Route 2 & Route 41 (18211 Wicker Avenue) from 9:00A.M. - 2:00P.M. Technicians will be on hand to accept waste oils, anti-freeze, oil based paints, stains, batteries, aerosol cans, waste fuels, pesticides and fluorescent tubes. The discarded substances will be recycled and reused whenever possible. All other items will be disposed of in an environmentally safe manner. Any questions regarding the hazardous waste collection can call the District at (219) 853-2420.

Can't make it in September? Here is a list of the nearest pickup sites!

Saturday, June 9th - Munster Public Works, 508 Fisher Street, Munster, IN

Saturday, July 21st - Whiting Public Works, 1915 Front Street, Whiting, IN

Saturday, August 25th - Highland Public Works, 8001 Kennedy Ave., Highland, IN

Saturday, October 13th - Griffith Public Works, 134 South Colfax, Griffith, IN

All sites are open from 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS & COLLECTION DATES

The Town Hall and town offices will be closed Wednesday, July 4th, and Monday, September 3rd for the Fourth of July, and Labor Day Holidays. Garbage collection will be delayed by one (1) day each of those weeks and will take place on Saturday, July 7th, and Saturday, September 8th.

BE MINDFUL OF YOUR MOWING

A reminder to residents as mowing season continues: please take caution when mowing your grass to avoid blowing grass clippings into the roadway. Grass clippings in the road are dangerous for cars and especially motorcycles as they can lead to loss of traction if they get wet. Also, if there is a curb and gutter, it is illegal to leave clippings in a place where they can wash into and potentially clog the town storm sewer system. Please work with us to keep our streets clean and safe for our community this summer.

KEEP SIGNS OFF POLES



Are you planning on having a garage sale this summer? No matter what your reason is for tacking up a sign, the placement of any sign on utility poles or street corners is prohibited. Temporary signs announcing garage or yard sales are limited to private property where the sale is to be conducted and are limited in size to 6 square feet.

SUMMER SPRINKLER RATE

The summer sprinkling rate for residential customers will go into effect for the bills received in June, July, August and September. Any water consumed after your meter has been read for May billing will reflect the summer rate. Likewise, any water used after your September meter reading will revert back to the normal charges.

The summer sprinkling rate, which has been in effect since 1996, automatically adjusts the sewer portion of your utility bill for the watering of lawns and gardens, filling of pools, car washing, etc. An average of the water consumed during the months of January, February and March is used to compute the sewer charge for June, July, August and September bills.

In addition to the sprinkling rate, the Council has recently passed an Ordinance to try and conserve water. During the summer months, we are asking that odd numbered homes water their lawns and plants on odd numbered days, and that even numbered homes water on even numbered days. Lets work together to consume less water!



FALL SOCCER SIGN-UPS



This co-ed recreational soccer league is for youth 4 -14 years old. The league will practice twice weekly and games will be played on Saturday mornings, except on Labor Day weekend. Public registration for the Park's Fall Soccer League will be held at the Lowell Town Hall, 501 E. Main St., on Friday, June 29th from 6:00pm - 8:00pm and Saturday, June 30th from 9:00am- 11:00am. For more information on the league, or if you are interested in becoming a volunteer coach, assistant coach or team parent, please contact the Park office at 219-696-1570 or visit www.lowell.net.

THERE IS STILL TIME!

Registration is still available for Archery Camp, Skate Camp, and Tennis Camp with extended dates until June 29th or until the camp fills up. Please contact the park office at 219-696-1570 or visit www.lowell.net for more information.

99th ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE

The Lowell Labor Day Parade Committee is making plans for it's 99th annual Labor Day Parade to be held Monday, September 3rd at 10:00 AM! Parade applications will be available online and at the Town Hall beginning July 5th. The theme this year is "99 Years of Tradition". The Kiddie Parade will be taking place on September 2nd starting at the Old Towne Square. For further information on the Kiddie Parade, please call the Parks Department at 696-1570. The Town of Lowell is happy to announce that it will also be holding the annual fireworks show on September 2nd at Oak Hill Elementary School. Plans are already underway for our "100th Celebration" in 2019! Keep checking our website, www.lowell.net for updated information!

