

Diamond Dispatch

Diamond Dispatch now available on the website www.diamondmo.net



E-Waste Event

October 12 8:00 am -2:00 pm

City Hall Parking Lot

Here is your chance to get rid of all those electronic devices that you have laying around that no longer work.

Accepted Items:

- Laptop
- Desktop Computer
- Cell Phones
- Telephones
- Cameras
- Batteries
- Cables and Cords
- Printers
- Appliances –Large and Small
- Stereo Equipment
- LCD
- Video Game Consoles
- Fax Machines and other office equipment
- Computer parts

Anything that takes batteries or has a cord!

E-Waste Event

Funded by a Grant from Harry S. Truman Foundation

Fall City Wide Garage Sale

Sept. 27th and 28th

If you would like on the map,
contact City Hall by Sept 20.

Maps will be available Sept. 23



Council Meeting

October 14 at 7:00 pm

Everyone is welcomed to attend. Get involved with your city, see what is going on and how you can help.



A HUGE Thank you to Dave Arwood and his FFA class at Seneca High School along with D & S Erectors for designing, building and installing the bridge at the park. Without all their hard work and donations this would not have been possible.

Diamond Community Thanksgiving Dinner

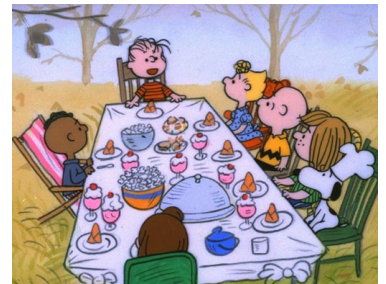
Last year was such a great success that we are starting the planning process again for the 2nd Annual Community Thanksgiving Banquet. If you would like to be on the committee to help make this year a great success too.

Sept 17 at 4:45 pm in the High Schools Commons Area

Come with Ideas and Suggestions. The more we work together the greater the success it will be.

More information:

Melissa James 417-592-9468



HIGH WATER BILL, CONSIDER THIS

The average water use per person per day is 50 gallons.

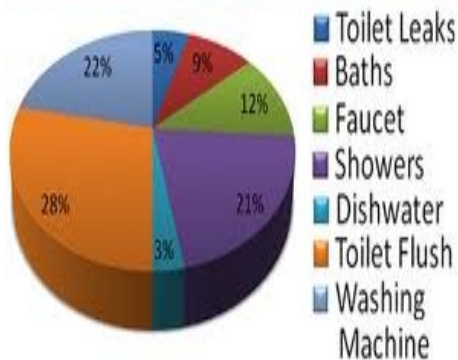
- Toilet - 19 gallons per day
- Bathing & hygiene - 15 gallons per day
- Laundry - 8 gallons per day
- Kitchen - 7 gallons per day
- Housekeeping - 1 gallon per day

A household of one person per month uses approx. 1500 gallons. With our current charges plus sewer and trash would be \$43.95 for a month. For a household of 6 it would be approx. \$86.65 per month. This does not include any outside water usage, which is approx. 96 gallons a day or 2,880 gallons a month for a average family. Here is some ways to save on water consumption. The amount of savings depends on current water consumption habits, water, sewer and energy costs, current flow rates of fixtures and flush volumes of toilets, system pressure, and the amount of water leakage through fittings and toilets.

HOW TO SAVE WATER

- When constructing a new home or remodeling your bathroom, install low consumption (1.6 gal/flush) toilets.
 - Place a weighted plastic one-half gallon jug or a toilet dam in the tanks of conventional toilets to displace and save water with each flush.
 - Install low-flow aerators and showerheads. They are inexpensive, easy to install, and save water and energy.
- Do not let the faucet flow while brushing your teeth or shaving. Use a glass of water for rinsing teeth.

How Americans use water indoors



Take showers instead of tub baths. Consider bathing small children together. · If your shower has a single-handle control or shut off valve, turn off the flow while soaping or shampooing.

- Leaking diverter valves (valves which divert water from the tub spout to the showerhead) should be replaced.

HOW TO SAVE WATER IN THE KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY

- Refrigerate a bottle of drinking water instead of letting a faucet flow until the water is cold enough to drink.
- Use a dishpan or plug the sink for washing and rinsing dishes. Install a low-flow aerator on all faucets.
- Pre-rinsing dishes prior to loading in a dishwasher is an unnecessary and wasteful use of water.
- Operate the washing machine and dishwasher only when they are fully loaded.
- Use the proper water level or load size selection on the washing machine.
- When purchasing a washing machine or dishwasher, consider water consumption as well as energy efficiency. Most manufacturers now provide this information to consumers.

HOW TO SAVE WATER OUTSIDE THE HOME

The watering of lawns and gardens can double normal household water use during the hot, dry summer months. At standard household water pressures, a garden hose will discharge up to 6½ gallons of water per minute. To apply an inch of water to 1,000 square feet of lawn or garden requires 620 gallons of water.

Watering should be limited to gardens, and newly planted lawns and landscaped areas. Established lawns and landscape plantings will usually survive without watering. Inadequate watering encourages shallow root growth and increases the risk of mortality. When water is scarce, your community or individual water supply should be reserved for your most essential needs.

- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean drive-

ways, steps and sidewalks.

- If a hose must be used, control the flow with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
- Water your garden during the coolest part of the day. Do not water on windy days.
- Use mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation from the soil surface and cut down on weed growth.



Council Meeting Highlights

- Adopted New Building Codes
- Updated Fireworks Code
- Finalized bridge ramp at park
- Tabled Swing Structure to next month
- Approved new computer for police dept.
- Had water towers inspected and repaired
- Handicap parking for Gem City Days, at end of Charles St.



We currently have openings on the Zoning and Planning and Park Board.

If you are interested in participating on the committee please contact Mayor Hunter or City Hall. We need help to get Diamond growing.... Let's work together to make it happen.

Both positions include monthly meetings.