



# Summer 2016

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## ***From the Office of the Village President, Linda Lavey***

What better platform than the annual tax bill insert to call your attention to a few tidbits of Village news? To my mind if there are only a few tidbits, that's a good thing. First of all, thanks for paying your taxes! You help make our home work better, look better, be a better place to live. They don't give me much room because they know I'll ramble on, so here goes (as of this writing, anything might change):

- DPW Director Dave Marshall is planning to retire this summer after 30-something years, and we're really going to miss him.
- FLUSHABLE WIPES ARE NOT FLUSHABLE! PUT THEM IN THE TRASH! The Village is facing major challenges in trying to control them and keep them from damaging our sewer equipment – and that will be very expensive to fix. Don't think the few YOU are flushing won't matter. They will. They do. Please stop.
- Council members Robert Burwell, Jessica Nicholson, and Rob MacDonald have chosen not to run this year. They each supplied a unique voice to the Council and will be missed. Please join me in thanking them for their service.
- Maybe that last bit will inspire one or two of you to consider serving on the Council?
- Please consider your neighbors and their pets when setting off fireworks, and be safe.
- Summer is short! Have fun!

Comments? Questions? Let me know: 734-878-6206, 734-476-6630, [president@villageofpinckney.org](mailto:president@villageofpinckney.org)

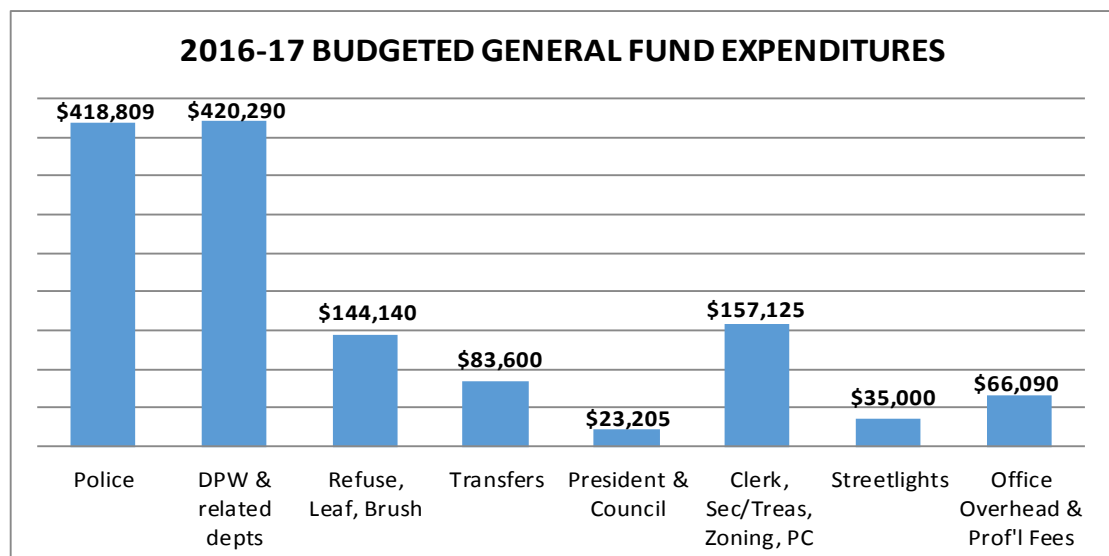
## ***2016 Millage Rate***

This year the millage rate was affected by the Headlee Rollback. After making the calculations provided to us by Livingston County Equalization, the maximum millage we can now levy for the Operating millage is 8.4201 (down from the previous 8.4633 mills). The maximum millage we can levy for Highway also decreased and is now 4.1756, however, we will still only be levying 4.0000 mills. The total mills levied for the 2016 tax year will be 12.4201.

## ***2016 Taxes***

Taxes will be accepted without interest or penalty until the due date of **Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 4pm.** Payments can be made via mail or in person. Credit card or debit card payments can't be made at Village Hall but can be done online at [villageofpinckney.org](http://villageofpinckney.org) (There is a 3% fee for online payments). A drop box is to the right of the front door at Village Hall as an after-hours option. If mailing your taxes, keep in mind that postmarks are NOT accepted.

## ***How your taxes are spent:***



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## From the Chief of Police

It is summer and during these months we see an increase in people parking on lawns and parking vehicles for sale in parking lots. These things are prohibited. Please pay attention to Village Ordinance § 71.01 which covers Prohibited Parking and § 71.02 that discusses Parking Vehicles for Sale.

These ordinances can be found at [www.villageofpinckney.org/ordinances](http://www.villageofpinckney.org/ordinances).



All signs in the Village of Pinckney require a permit, unless they fall into a specific category. Many of the temporary signs that residents put in their yard require a permit. Signs that DO NOT require a permit are detailed below, all other signs require a permit that can be obtained from the Zoning Administrator.

**Garage/Rummage/Yard Sales:** Signs are allowed for a total of seven consecutive days, four of those being the days of the event – so you may have a sign up three days before the sale, and for the duration of the sale. Put the name and contact information of the owner of the sign in small print on the sign itself. The Zoning Administrator may remove signs that do not include this information. You are allowed one sign at the sale plus three off site signs. Do not put signs on utility poles or traffic signs.

**Political Signs:** You must have the owner of the parcel's permission to place the sign. Only one sign is allowed per candidate/issue on each parcel. All signs must be removed 5 days after the election. Political signs must be less than four feet in height and 16 total square feet.

No sign should ever be placed in the road right-of-way.

Please refer to the Zoning Ordinance § 152.300 – § 152.312 for more information regarding signs.



## PLEASE KEEP LITTER AND LEAVES OUT OF STORM DRAINS!

Many residents don't realize the potential environmental impact of their yard waste. If yard waste such as leaves, grass clippings and small twigs are disposed of in a storm drain, they will make their way to Honey Creek and eventually the Huron River where they threaten aquatic life and degrade water quality. The yard waste can also clog the inlets which then leads to street flooding.

Remember – if it is on the ground, it is in our water.

- Never allow yard waste to be washed down or put into storm drains.
- Sweep driveways and sidewalks clean. Remove debris and residue that could end up in a storm drain from concrete and paved areas around your house.
- Do not sweep or blow grass clippings along the street or into a storm drain.

We thank all our neighbors and community partners that help clear these storm water drains of debris