



Amberley Village E-News

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WE ARE STILL HERE FOR YOU

From the Amberley Village Manager:



With all the uncertainty facing our families, one thing IS certain. Amberley Village continues its commitment to serve its residents even during these difficult times.

Amberley Village administrative staff continues working full-time from home in accordance with the Governor's order, but we are all still here to serve you.

Please take a moment to review the information in this issue, which includes updates on important topics to residents, including voting, tax due dates, public meetings and brush collection, as well as Census information and many useful links and resources, including a section at the bottom which outlines all the ways we are reachable to you.



*See the latest update video from
Village Manager Scot Lahrmer*

We at the Village are hard at work to ensure the safety and continued progress of Amberley Village and our residents. We encourage you to stay home and stay safe.

Scot Lahrmer

Village Manager

[Contact the Village](#)

Encourage Others on Social Media

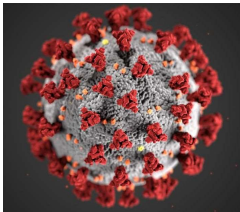


Keep yourself, your loved ones and your community safe. Stay at home in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and save the lives of those at high risk for contracting COVID-19.

Are you staying at home and doing your part?

Encourage others to be a part of the effort by changing your social media profile picture "Stay home. Save Lives." graphic at left. Simply right-click the image, save to your device, and upload it to your social media profile picture!

Amberley Village Declares State of Emergency



Mayor Muething this week signed a proclamation declaring a State of Emergency in Amberley Village. This important measure was taken to ensure access to emergency funds that may be distributed by the State or Federal governments, and be compliant with the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency.

[Amberley Village Emergency Proclamation](#)

Chief Wallace Issues Statement Regarding Ohio Stay at Home Order



Chief Wallace has issued a letter to Amberley Village residents regarding Governor DeWine's recent Stay at Home Order (full copy available via button below).

"Our goal is to ensure the health and safety of all residents, and those of our first responders," he said. "We ask that you follow the guidelines set forth by our public officials and work to cooperate with the requests of our local, state and federal governments during this time of crisis."

[Read Chief Wallace's Letter](#)

Public Meetings to be Held Online



Following the Governor's signature of House Bill 197 into law, local government entities are now permitted to hold public meetings online in lieu of meeting in person.

This allows municipalities to continue to work through the passage of initiatives and purchase approvals, which are necessary to the regular operations of Amberley Village.

Amberley Village has selected the Zoom platform to host public meetings. Public notices will now include login information for all Council, committee and Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals meetings, which will enable residents to participate.

Residents wishing to speak at Council meetings will still be required to register before noon the day of the scheduled meeting to be added to the agenda by contacting the [Clerk of Council](#). These notices will be posted to the online calendar, and will include the necessary information to participate.

The first online meeting of Amberley Village Council will take place on April 13, and will be made available to residents via live streaming video, which can be accessed via the link through our website at www.amberleyvillage.org, where residents will also find a list of helpful guidelines. Users may also find it helpful to download Zoom to their device before logging in.

[Subscribe to Notices](#)

Brush Pickup



As many residents are aware, the Village has temporarily suspended Maintenance services to allow our personnel, which are also trained firefighters, to be reassigned into roles as first responders. As such, residents are asked to hold back brush piles to allow teams to focus on safety at this time.

As firefighters, our Maintenance crews receive their daily assignments from Chief Wallace, who has asked that brush be removed to maintain curbside access to homes and fire hydrants. RESIDENTS ARE ASKED TO UNDERSTAND THIS DOES NOT MEAN BRUSH PICKUP HAS RESUMED.

Please do your part to ensure the safety of our residents and personnel by not placing brush at the curb during the current State of Emergency. Small sticks and yard clippings can still be placed in bags and bins for trash collection.

Voter Information for Ohio Primary Election

Ohio's Primary Election
will be completed on
April 28th using
Vote-by-Mail ballots.

Make sure your
voice is heard!

Learn how to request
your Vote-by-Mail ballot
at **VoteOhio.gov**

Frank LaRose
Ohio Secretary of State

The state legislature in Ohio voted to allow Ohioans who have not already voted in the March 17 Primary Election to do so. Voters can participate in the Primary by requesting an absentee ballot in one of the following ways:

Fill out the form via the link below, print, and mail to the Hamilton County Board of Elections at the address on the form.

You also may call the Hamilton County BOE at 632-7000 to ask that a ballot request be mailed to you.

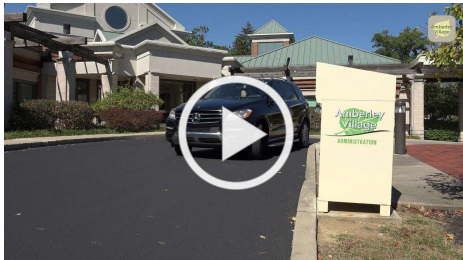
[Absentee Voter Request Form](#)

Please note: Ballots must be returned by April 28, so please allow adequate time to mail in, fill out and return your ballot by that date.

Tax Deadline Extended by State of Ohio

The Amberley Village income tax deadline was earlier announced to remain at April 15 for all residents. A new bill, signed by Governor Mike DeWine this past Friday, has moved the date for both the State of Ohio and all Ohio municipalities to align with the federal filing date of July 15.

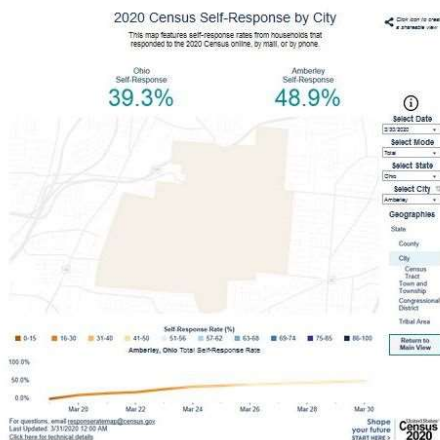
Amberley Village encourages residents who can to file on or before April 15 if they are able. This is the best way to get a refund if you have one coming, find out if you owe a tax balance, and prepare for your 2020 estimations if you file quarterly tax estimates. It's also a great time to do your taxes while under the Stay at Home Order instead of in July when you will want to be on vacation!



As always, the Amberley Village Tax Drop Box remains open, no-contact and secure 24 hours, 7 days a week for your convenience. The Drop Box also offers a great option for dropping off alarm payments, correspondence and other documents to the Village.

Tax questions? Contact Patty Meiers at 531-0130 or pmeiers@amberleyvillage.org

Did You Know National Census Day Was Yesterday? Census is Available Online



Nearly 50% of the residents in Amberley Village have already completed their 2020 Census, which places us ahead of the State.

But that still means over half of us haven't! The Census is a quick, easy way to fulfill your civic duty by ensuring that all residents are counted for the purposes of funding, apportionment and services.

Take a moment right now while we're sheltered in place to fill out your Census information - it takes just a few minutes, and ensures that Amberley Village, Hamilton County and the State of Ohio receive their fair share!