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*State of the Village*  
**Vision Statement**

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Greetings on behalf of the Village of Ashville's Council, staff, and Mayor! As Mayor, I appreciate the opportunity to tell you about our community and spotlight the 2018 State of Village. Much of what is Ashville is reflected in our Vision Statement. It is a great place to raise a family. Ashville offers the advantages of a small town while having all the services found in much larger communities.

include: Nelson Embry, Roger Clark, Randy Loveless, Brad Lutz, David Rainey, and Tracie Sorvillo. Some major projects are completed and new projects will begin. Over-time you will see how each of these individual projects contribute to an integrated Village Plan. In general these are the highlights:

**Financial**

One of our primary fiduciary obligations is to deal with village operations from a sound financial perspective. The Council and I put together the 2018 budget to fund many of the services and projects that are underway and in a manner to anticipate our future needs while using a conservative approach to that development. In 2018, our expenses were \$3.68 million dollars. The budget was \$5,296,415. Our actual Revenue for 2018 was \$3,933,199. We are keeping our expenditures in alignment with our actual revenue streams. This approach will maintain the sustainability of the village. The details of this information can be viewed on our website's "The Financial Page". It contains budget and financial report information from 2008 to present.

Recycle/ Month	2015	2016	2017	2018
	6.52	8.44	10.92	17.30

Other entities or programs we work collaboratively include: CDBG, DEFA, ODOT, OWDA, OWPC, MORPC, PICCA, Pickaway County Chamber of Commerce, and P3. You will see the results of that collaboration in the next section on Projects. Current private projects include Miller Commons, Ashton Crossing, Suburban Village, and more to come in 2019/20. This collaboration allows us to be more efficient with the money you provide.

**Police Department**

The police's mission is to protect our community. Their list of Core Values can be found on our website-www.ashvilleohio.gov.

The Village and Police Department are working on drug and traffic enforcement. We are involved with a task force, Pickaway Addiction Action Coalition (PAAC), which has developed plans to deal with the opiate issue in Ashville as part of Pickaway County. This is a nationwide issue. The Police Department expenditures in 2018 were \$759,740 which is a 7.4% decrease from 2017. They are purchasing a vehicle. They will continue to use the bodycams acquired in 2018. The police is charges with the mission to protect our community. The council and I will provide police the resources to accomplish their mission.

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Ashville has a rich history going back to 1882. That history has not been lost but can be found at our Small Town Museum at 34 Long Street or call 740-983-9864. You may want to pay it a visit. It can enrich you and create a greater understanding from where our community has come and now where we are going.



2018 State of the Village is Ashville's annual review of the previous year with also an emphasis on how each year is interconnected with the past and how this past has created building blocks for our community's future. In addition to this newsletter, a presentation will occur at Village Council on May 6<sup>th</sup> and it will be on our website - www.ashvilleohio.gov.

First, I want to start out the 2018 Report by saying, it has been an honor to serve as Mayor since 2000. For me to be granted that opportunity is a "dream come true". It has also been a pleasure to work with the current council which



**Cooperation**

The village continues to seek collaboration with other local entities that would strengthen our ability to meet your needs. In 2016 we completed a water interconnection with South Bloomfield. This has provided a more secure water supply for both communities. We anticipate doing a similar project with Earnhardt Hill Water District. Ashville joined Consortium III for

**The Legislative Corner**

This section provides the title to Ordinances & Resolutions being considered by Village Council. To read the entire text go to our website. Enacted legislation will be found under "Village Government"; & Legislation that is being considered can be found under "Village Council—Agenda".

- ◆ 2019-03 an Ordinance Authorizing a Pre-Annexation Agreement with George W. Hardbarger, for the Annexation of Property Located at 4018 Ashville Pike, and Declaring an Emergency.
- ◆ 2019-04 an Ordinance to Approve Current Replacement Pages to the Ashville Codified Ordinances, and Declaring an Emergency.

**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Herb Day**

When-May 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm  
 Location-Engels Landscaping Center, 15810 Lockbourne Eastern Road  
 Free herb recipes, literature and lots of "Herbalicious" Food samples.  
 Sponsored by the Good Friends Good Thymes Herb Club

**Ashville Foundation Public Meeting**

If you are interested in getting involved, the Village of Ashville is the catalyst for the formation of a Foundation. It will work with the Pickaway County Community Foundation. To become a member of the governing board, to see how donations can be used, or to look into volunteering come to the 200 East Station Street Council Room at 6:30 pm, Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. At this meeting information will be provided and questions answered.



**Ashville Community CLEAN-UP DAY**

Join the Ashville Women's Civic Club on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 9:00 am to help clean up our town.

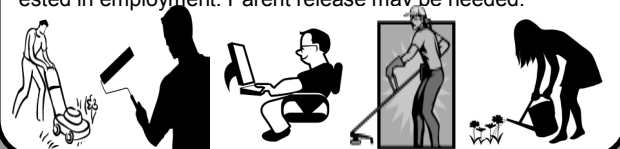
Meet at the Municipal Building on Station Street with your gloves, shovels, rake, etc. Areas of clean-up will be announced at that time.

We are excited for the community to come together and make our town sparkle for our summer events. Bring your youth group, church group, scout group. All are welcome!

Hope we see you there!

**Student Work Program (SWP)**

Council authorized the Village Administrator to solicit students for the 2019 Student Works Program. This program will run from the end of school in June through August. Please apply at 200 East Station Street if you are a student and are interested in employment. Parent release may be needed.



Village Council Meetings Every 1st and 3rd  
 Monday Time: 6:30 pm  
 Council Committee Meetings Every 2nd Monday at 6:30 pm

**Next Month....**

- ◆ Fun-in-the-Sun
- ◆ July 4th Festival
- ◆ Food Festival

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**Service Department**

The village is committed to make our streets as safe as possible to drive but that is an increasing challenge for all municipalities. We have partnered with CDBG, ODOT, and the OPWC for funding paving projects. These projects can be seen from our past, present, and future on-line project list. This is an area of funding where funding is out of balance with costs. Most projected revenue streams are either in decline or out of balance with costs. Ohio recently passed House Bill 62 that is designed to help fund road repairs. We will look at that impact for 2020 and continue to look for funding partners and alternative plans. We need to review the aging equipment in the service department and see how we can economically replace that equipment. In 2018 two trucks were replaced.

We continue to work on stormwater management. At times this is done as part of our I and I improvement plan.

The Street Department expenditures in 2018 were \$413,532. Nearly \$200,000 for salaries and benefits. \$23,445 for Highway, and \$54,082 for Roadway Paving. Plans are to boast that funding for 2019. The Parks and Recreation expenditures were \$42,556, just under 2017 expenses. The Stormwater Department expenditures were \$89,997 or \$20,000 more than 2017. We are working on water runoff issues and our Joint ODOT/OPWC/CDBG project for 1.6 million dollars reflects that objective.

**Utility Department Water**

In the Water Processing area we completed Special Environment Projects (SEPs). The water facility now has emergency power back-up capabilities. We also replaced four meters that have improved on the production efficiency of the facility. In 2016, we connected with South Bloomfield. In 2019/20 we will be exploring a similar option with Earnhart Hill Water Sewer District. The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is an important source of information on the quality of your water. That report is avail-

ble on our website. Click on the image to access CCR. You can find more information on the website by accessing the Monthly and Annual Reports.



**Sanitary**

The Water Resource Recovery Facility was a major project completed October of 2017. The purpose was to build a new sewer plant that will meet the village's current and future needs. This project is based upon a mandate of the EPA and recommendations from AECOM, a consultant hired in 2013. As part of that mandate with OhioEPA we are working on Inflow and Infiltration (I&I).

Our website had expanded your capability to monitor your own utility usage and payments. By following on our website the image beside the Facebook Logo you can reach the billing web-portal. By registering this web-portal will allow you to review current and past activities on your account.

The operational expenditure for the Water Department was \$400,528 a 16% increase over 2017.

The Wastewater expenditure was \$822,662 which included \$295,934 for new facility debt service. The operational cost was \$526,728 for 2018 this was about 9% more than 2017. With the new facility in operation for 2018 we will have to carefully monitor the cost to operate.

**Planning & Zoning/Building Dept.**

The Planning and Zoning/Building Department continues to be busy with Ashton Crossing, Suburban Village, and Miller Commons. This department work includes signage and uniform enforcement of codes in conjunction with the Police Department.

Their expenditure in 2018 was \$41,007. If you are interested in these private development projects you can access that information from our website by clicking on the image to the right.

**Miscellaneous Items for You**

Beyond safety forces refuse has become one of our larger items on the General Fund Budget. In 2018 expenditures were \$345,298. The Village worked toward getting Gas Aggregation as an option. This program allow us to pool our resources to obtain more competitive pricing on natural gas. For 2018 it was reported that the 808 or 93% of residents participated and saved 10%.

**Tax Department**

They will help you with your local RITA Tax. The Tax Department has a webpage for you.

We continue to work as part of the Cooperative Economic Development Agreement (CEDA) group and the two Joint Economic Development Districts JEDD's). You can see the growth as you drive on State Route 762, Airbase Road and Lockbourne Eastern. In the past the Harrison Township JEDD expanded. In 2018/19 the Madison Township JEDD expanded in cooperation with Harrison Township's JEDD. Thanks P3.



**Ashville Projects**

The following are "Improvement Projects" that may have begun earlier and were completed in 2018:

**2017/18 Projects**

**Water Resource Recovery Facility**

This is the largest project the village has undertaken. It will produce a 900,000 gallon plant that will meet the requirements established by the OhioEPA Findings and Orders. The evaluation of wastewater occurred in 2012 followed by design. Construction of the facility began March 21, 2016 and concluded in September of 2017. It is now fully operational. In addition to the facility there was a force main and effluent line that cost \$16,039,865. Funding sources include DEFA, OPWC, OWDA, WPCLF,

and Ashville.

**Brenton Drive Paving Project** – this was a Ashton Village project and costing a total of \$49,500.00.

**South Central Power Company Foundation Project** – was for a drinking fountain.

**Pickaway County Park District Project** – East Baseball Field back stop.

**2019 Projects**

**CDBG West Station Street Project** – between Long Street and Randolph Street. Grant \$39,800 Local Funds \$3,400 for a \$43,200 Total. With the CDBG funds sidewalks, paving and water runoff will be improved.

**Pickaway County Park District Project** Picnic Tables and Benches for open shelter house and playground.

**Ashville Paving Project** The Service Department and Tebbe Civil Engineering, LLC are working on completing evaluation of roads to determine how the available funds will be used.

**2020 Projects**

We have an ambitious project with ODOT, CDBG, and the OPWC Small Government Program. This will redo paving, stormwater, and sidewalks from Jefferson Avenue to Station Street on State Route 316 (West Main and Long Street). It currently is a 1.6 million dollar project. With Transportation Alternative Programing (TAP) we may be able to create more pedestrian safety.

**In Conclusion**

Ashville has many banners that reflect many of the activities available in Ashville. We thank the organizations and people whom make these events a success. Information about all these events are available on our website. I look forward to continuing to work for you. None of what we do would be possible if it wasn't for the great citizens we have, council members that work well together, various boards, and of course our loyal employees.

Thanks again, and for more information on what is happening in Ashville go to our website the address has not changed: [www.ashvilleohio.gov](http://www.ashvilleohio.gov)

*Sincerely,  
Charles K. Wise*



**2018 Monthly & YTD Activity Report**

The information below can be viewed as a pdf with larger text at [www.ashvilleohio.gov](http://www.ashvilleohio.gov) under Community & Links "Newsletter"

If you wish to view a different monthly report you can access by going to our website [www.ashvilleohio.gov](http://www.ashvilleohio.gov) and clicking on the department you wish to visit below:



**Auxiliary Report**

During March officers volunteered 90 hours supplementing full time officers. Officers Anderson and Masa were added to the roster. The department will review additional applications when available. Sergeant Rathburn serves as Mayor's Court Bailiff relieving a full time unit to patrol duty. Court is open to the public. Submitted by Larry Rathburn Unit S4

Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Projection	Ave	Mean	Measure
Incident Report	98	86	120										304	1,216	101.33		98.00 Report
Criminal Arrest/Charges	6	13	8										27	108	9.00		8.00 Files
Warrant Served/Arrests	1	4	7										12	48	4.00		4.00 Each
Traffic Citations	37	31	50										118	472	39.33		37.00 Each
Parking Tickets	0	0	0										0	0	0.00		0.00 Each
Warning Citations	47	54	87										188	752	62.67		54.00 Each
Crash Reports	2	4	6										12	48	4.00		4.00 Each
Code Violations	0	2	0										2	8	0.67		0.00 Each
Patrolled Miles	6,461	5,896	6,646										19,003	76,012	6,334.33		6,461.00 Miles
Auxiliary Hours	54	56	90										200	800	66.67		56.00 Hours

Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total	Projection	Budget	Ave	Mean	Measure
General Revenue Fund Total	\$137,134.37	\$113,366.70											\$250,501.07	\$1,903,006.42	\$1,687,666.00	\$125,250.54	\$125,250.54	Dollars
Income Tax Revenue	\$98,104.92	\$73,354.05											\$171,458.97	\$1,028,753.82	\$1,053,000.00	\$85,729.49	\$85,729.49	Dollars
Police Expense 1000-110	\$53,530.46	\$48,982.95											\$102,513.41	\$615,080.46	\$867,273.00	\$51,256.71	\$51,256.71	Dollars
Balance	\$83,603.91	\$64,383.75											\$147,987.66	\$887,925.96	\$820,393.00	\$73,993.83	\$73,993.83	Dollars
Percentage of General Fund	39.04%	43.21%											40.92%	40.92%	51.39%	40.92%	40.92%	Percentage
Percentage of Income Tax	54.56%	66.78%											59.79%	59.79%	82.36%	59.79%	59.79%	Percentage

A larger version of the Police Report is available along with the Utility Report as a pdf on our website: [www.ashvilleohio.gov](http://www.ashvilleohio.gov).  
Police Report information submitted by Sergeant Donnie Mayse.