THE WATER LINE

NEWS FROM PLAINFIELD, OCTOBER 2014

Plainfield Leaf Pickup Features New Routes

Leaf pickup within the Town of Plainfield started Monday, October 13 featuring all new routes.

"In years past during leaf collection we broke the routes up in three days--Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, using Mondays and Fridays to either get ahead or catch up," said Jason Castetter, Superintendent of Public Works. "Because of the Town's growth, we can no longer do this and have now scheduled a route for every day of the week."

The new route schedule is as follows and will be in effect through December 5:

Route 1: Monday
North of Main Street (US 40) West of Avon Avenue, inside Plainfield corporate limits

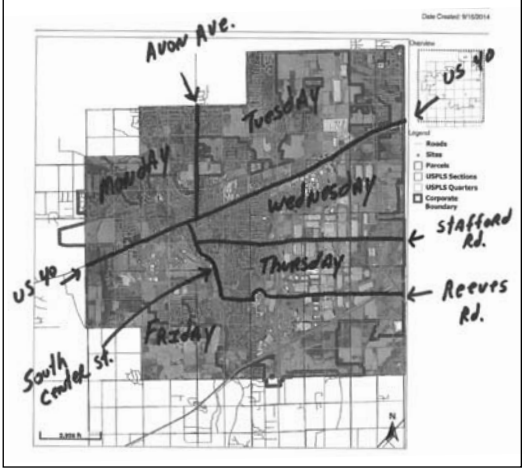
Route 2: Tuesday
North of Main Street (US 40), East of Avon Avenue, inside Plainfield corporate limits

Route 3: Wednesday
South of Main Street (US 40), East of S. Mill Street, North of Stafford Road, inside Plainfield corporate limits

Route 4: Thursday*
East of S. Center Street, North of Reeves Road, South of Stafford, inside Plainfield corporate limits

Route 5: Friday*
South of Main Street (US 40), West of White Lick Creek, plus everything South of Reeves Road, inside Plainfield corporate limits

2014 Leaf Pickup Days



Here is a rough sketch showing the new leaf pickup days. Please refer to the article for the exact route boundaries.

The Town advises that the following guidelines are helpful:

- Have leaves at pickup site by 7:00 a.m.
- Know your route day.
- Have only leaves for pickup. (Neither trash nor debris will be picked up.)
- Rake between sidewalk and curb.
- Leaf pile should be no more than about six feet in width.
- DO NOT park cars at pickup site.
- DO NOT rake leaves around obstacles or into street gutters. (The Town will not pickup leaves in gutters or around obstacles.)

**On Thanksgiving week, there will be no leaf pickup on Thursday or Friday. Pickup will take place on the regular route the following week.*

Yard Waste Site to Close in November

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District's Yard Waste Site in Plainfield will close at the end of November. The last day of operation will be Saturday, November 29. The site, which is located at 7020 South CR 875 East, is open on Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays through the 29th. Hours are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Plainfield Starts Comprehensive Plan Update Process

It's been many years since Plainfield updated its Comprehensive Plan, but the process is now underway. Comprehensive plans are a blueprint for the future. It is the intent of town leaders that this updated plan represents a community vision that will guide the Town for the next 20 years.

"The Comprehensive Plan will result in a set of policies that direct future growth and development," said Joe James, Plainfield's Director of Planning. "It can lead to potential strategies that will help guide Town leaders as they make substantive and thoughtful decisions for our town. For that reason, we are encouraging every citizen to become part of the process by participating either in a community workshop or by completing a survey on line. We want to hear your thoughts on what the Town should look like in the future."

James says that a typical Comprehensive Plan outlines the existing conditions of the Town, describes future goals and objectives for development, and includes an action plan on how to achieve these goals and objectives. The Town of Plainfield Comprehensive Plan will include sections on:

- land use and development
- sub-area plans
- residential, commercial, and industrial framework plans
- a transportation and mobility plan
- an open space, recreation, and environmental features plan
- a community facilities plan
- an image, identity, and community character framework plan
- a sustainability framework plan
- an arts and culture framework plan
- an implementation strategy

" As the blueprint for the Town, it is critical that all of Plainfield's stakeholders be involved in the development of the Comprehensive Plan," said Robin Brandgard, Town Council President. "The Town is committed to involving residents, businesses, and workers in the process in order to craft a common community vision for Plainfield's future."

Ultimately, the Comprehensive Plan will be approved by the Plainfield Plan Commission and the Plainfield Town Council.

A community input session will be held on October 30 at 7 p.m., but if you miss it or don't receive this newsletter in time to attend, you can still participate. Surveys are available through the Town's website, along with other information about the Comprehensive Plan. Visit us at www.townofplainfield.com to learn more and complete a survey.

Thanksgiving in Plainfield!

- The Plainfield Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be Thursday, November 27 at 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Plainfield (corner of Stafford and Simmons). The community is invited to attend this special worship service sponsored by the Plainfield Federation of Churches.

- The seventh annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Guilford Township Community Center at Hummel Park on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 27). Serving time will be from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A full Thanksgiving meal, including turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls, pumpkin pie and more will be served for dining in or for take-out. Carryout can be placed in advance by calling 317-839-2384. Delivery to some areas for individuals or groups can also be arranged by calling 317-839-2384. In addition to great food, guests can enjoy music, coloring and activities for the kids. This event is open to the entire community, regardless of circumstance.

Thanksgiving Trash Pickup:

Ray's Trash Service picks up trash every day except Christmas and New Year's Day. That means if Thursday is your regular trash day, you should put out your trash on Thanksgiving Day. It will be picked up. (But get it out early … the guys at Ray's are anxious to get home to be with their families, too.)

We'll have the Christmas schedule in the next newsletter.