

## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO 2026 YARD WASTE PICK UP

Level Up Landscaping will provide the yard waste/brush pick up service for village residents this year. **Yard waste/brush pick up begins 4/6/2026 with pick up on the 1st and 3rd Monday of APRIL, MAY and OCTOBER. Pick up will be every Monday in NOVEMBER EXCEPT THE 30th. There will not be pick up in June, July, August and September.**

**Everything must be in paper bags or small 1"- 2" diameter branches tied in bundles.**

**\*\*Reminder: NO TRASH CANS OR CANS OF ANY SIZE WILL BE EMPTIED\*\***

**THIS SERVICE IS NOT PROVIDED FOR TRIMMING LARGE TREE LIMBS!! LARGE LIMBS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

### Pick up dates are as follows:

April 6 and 20, May 4 and 18, October 5 and 19, November 2, 9, 16 and 23. There will NOT be a pick up on November 30, 2026. Please Plan accordingly.

## VILLAGE OF CASTALIA ZONING AND PERMITS Zoning Inspector Tom Johnson Ph: 419-656-3708

A few reminders to Village residents:

1. Any new building project requires a zoning permit and may require a building permit. Please Contact Zoning Inspector.
2. For all replacement roofs you will need to contact Building Inspector John Zimmerman at 419-433-2755 for a building permit.
3. Any vehicles on your property must be maintained and in running condition.
4. Any junk or yard debris must be kept in a garage or out of sight when driving by property.
5. Residents planning to upgrade a present driveway to concrete won't need a permit, but must contact Margareta Twp Road Dept. at 419-684-5549 to verify setback is off of the road right of way.
6. **ONLY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ACCEPTED FOR ALL FEES**

### ~~~~~ Spring 2026 ROAD UPDATE ~~~~~

Thank you, Margareta Township road department, for keeping the village roads plowed and maintained during a most challenging cold and snowy winter. This summer the crew will crack seal selected areas in the Village to keep moisture out and prolong the life of the roads.

Council is working with local contractors for estimates to complete resurfacing of East Lucas Street. Council understands there are roads in dire need and have prioritized them with the help of Road Superintendent Bob Biglin. Our project priority list is fluid and changes when unforeseen issues, such as 100 feet of 24" underground galvanized...cont'd on back

## Village of Castalia Website

VillageofCastalia.com, Current announcements and last minute updates are posted for residents. Approved Council Meeting Minutes as well as new Village Ordinances can also be viewed. Please sign up for the newsletter by email. Once you have signed up you are on the email list and don't need to sign up again.

## 2026 Village Council

Mayor: Jim Johnson  
Council Pres Pro Tem: Barb Weyer  
Council Vice Pres: Jacob Smith  
Silas Nicholson  
Cindy Crawford  
Georgia Artrip

**Village Council Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:00PM in the village hall. The public is welcome to attend.**

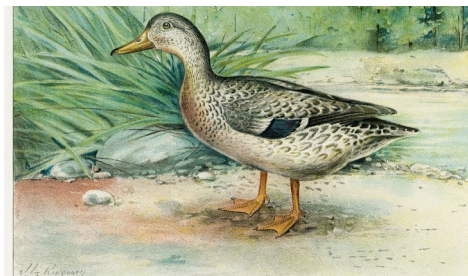
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**Roads cont'd** storm drainage pipe needs to be replaced along with a surprise sink hole on West Lucas Street that required attention sooner than later. We will know more on what additional road(s) will be resurfaced in 2026 once the estimates are all in. We will make a post on our website in May with an update of our road plan.

**Additional items :**

Council announced earlier this year we received ODOT safety funding for replacement of the stop light along with new electric and signage at the downtown Main and Washington Street intersection. **There will be no cost to the Village for this project.** The project costs and engineering are entirely determined by ODOT. It's in the pipeline for construction in 2027. We are currently working on securing funding for a section of sidewalk to be installed from 207 S. Washington to 305 S. Washington which could take place yet this year. Property owners will be notified once we obtain funding.

**Question asked:** "Why isn't council doing anything about the SR 101/269/ E. Lucas Street intersection with the new school opening?"

**Answer :** Village Council has been concerned and expressed concern about the additional traffic impact since the school applied for and was issued a permit in Spring 2022! We have maintained communication with ODOT and the school during this period of time. As the school project has evolved there have been recent revisions to their traffic plan. After our recent meeting with Margareta school officials, ODOT, Sheriff Sigsworth, and Erie County engineers, we feel confident the revisions will alleviate the additional traffic previously anticipated at the SR 101/269/ E. Lucas Street intersection. The school building project provides for school signage on West Lucas Street (SR 101) in front of the new school. The Village was notified last week it will receive ODOT grant funding for school traffic control signage at the 305 S. Washington Street (State Routes 101/269) driveway access to the new school, the Erie County Health Clinic and Lions Park. As one would expect there will be flashing school signage and reduced speed limit signs erected on both S. Washington Street and on SR 101 (W. Lucas Street). **VILLAGE AND AREA RESIDENTS NEED TO PREPARE THERE WILL BE PERMANENT CHANGES TO THE TRAFFIC FLOW THROUGH THE VILLAGE.** Ultimately we will need to wait until after the school is open and functioning to determine if further adjustments are warranted.

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