

Fellow residents of Lambs Grove, the theme of this newsletter focuses on one concept that makes living here a positive experience:

Respect Your Neighbors!

We live in a small self-governing residential community and do not have unlimited resources or city staff to strictly enforce every ordinance. Below are suggestions gathered from recurring complaints to the City Council.

Parking-Please park on designated side of street only, facing in proper direction.

Do not park within 10 feet of intersections.

Do not block fire hydrants.

Do not park on the highway obstructing the sidewalk.

Do not park vehicles or trailers in your front yard or on non-all-weather surfaces.

Animal control—Animals must be on leashes. I wonder how many of us enjoy picking up dog droppings from other resident's animals in our front yards or our only city park?

Streets—Every time you see a maintenance truck cleaning out a storm sewer, it costs the city a minimum of \$1600 in your taxpayer money. The City has spent much of our available funds on street repair and storm sewer repair. Please consider keeping the storm sewer intakes near your property as free from debris as possible. A bit of prevention goes a long way. Of note, the City hopes to start this summer on curb replacement-this will be a gradual program over several years.

Dumping—Lambs Grove is zoned residential, not commercial. While composting a reasonable amount of yard waste is acceptable, the outdoor dumping of trees or other debris is not.

Grass-Again, please be respectful and keep your grass, shrubs, and trees reasonable trimmed. Every year we field complaints concerning trees/branches and shrubs interfering with garbage trucks and obscuring road vision.

Trees-It has been a rough couple of years for the trees in Lambs Grove. We will continue to see ongoing issues from the Derecho and oak blight. As the affected trees continue to fail, consider investing in Lambs Grove future by replanting. Do not remove living trees without a good reason.

Burning-Limited burning of yard waste is allowed. No garbage. No burning during school hours. No burning if county wide ban is in effect. Again—**respect your neighbors** and avoid burning when the wind blows directly into your neighbor's house. There is free 24-hour composting at the landfill.

The City Council is doing its best to maintain Lambs Grove as an independent community, but assistance is needed from every resident to maintain this status.

Please consider following our Facebook page - CITY OF LAMBS GROVE for updated info.

You can contact city officials at cityoflambsgrove@aol.com or 641-275-2795.

Have a great spring!