

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

## VILLAGE HALL OFFICE HOURS

M – F 8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Closed daily 12:30 -1:30 pm

Village Hall  
101 S. Main St.  
Smithton, IL 62285  
618-233-4180  
618-233-0880 fax

## VILLAGE OF SMITHTON

MARCH 2021

Look for more information on our website:  
[SmithtonIL.org](http://SmithtonIL.org)

**WATER/SEWER/TRASH ACCOUNT** payments are due by 4:30 pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Direct Debit is our newest payment option offered. There are no fees involved in signing up for Direct Debit. By signing up and using Direct Debit you will never have to worry about missing a payment and receiving late fees. **Any payments received after 4:30 pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> will incur late fees.** Services will be shut-off after final due date. Past due balance with a \$100 reconnect fee required prior to reconnection. Be sure to look at the backside of your monthly bill for news and updates.

**VEHICLE STICKERS & ANIMAL TAGS** have been discontinued and are no longer required for residents.

**ANNUAL UTV & GOLF CART STICKERS** are required for all residents and are due by April 30, 2021. Penalties & fines will start May 1, 2021. **VILLAGE HALL WILL BE OPEN APRIL 17, 2021 from 8:00am – 10:00am** for inspections. Bring your UTV/Golf Cart with photo ID & proof of insurance to get your sticker.

**BUILDING PERMITS** are required for any exterior remodeling or additions. Contact Village Hall or visit [SmithtonIL.org](http://SmithtonIL.org) for more information and necessary applications.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT** is contracted for your trash pickup. Any questions contact the Village Hall, or Waste Management at 800-964-8988.

### RECYCLING

In April, our Recycling facility will be closed permanently as we are moving towards a more convenient way to recycle. Waste Management will be offering curbside recycling every other week. This is being offered for all residents. It is not mandatory. Curbside recycling will be billed and handled through Waste Management at the current rate of \$15 per month and a 96-gallon tote is provided at no extra cost. Waste Management has agreed to reduce the current monthly rate based on participation. As more residents participate, the rate will decrease. If you are interested in participating in curbside recycling call Waste Management at 800-964-8988.

**BUSINESS LICENSES** are required annually, THIS INCLUDES HOME-BASED BUSINESSES. Liquor and Gaming licenses are also required annually.

Village Board Meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 pm. Meetings are open to all residents who want to stay informed about our Village.

### Please Take Pride in Our Village Park

- The Park is open from April 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Hours are 6:00 am to 10:00 pm.
- Fishing is allowed at the Village Park lake per posted regulations and limits. A fishing license is required.
- No boats or swimming are allowed in the lake.
- No pets are allowed on ball fields. Pet owners are reminded to keep your pets restrained and to clean up after them.
- The park is under video surveillance. Please contact the police department at 618-233-0550 if you witness any improper behavior.

**ALL EVENTS** at the park are to be scheduled through the Village Hall.

**BALL DIAMONDS** at the park are the home ball fields for the Smithton Athletic Association and the Smithton Grade School. There are other scheduled events throughout the year at the park so please check before planning any games/events.

**PAVILIONS** are available for resident's use and can be reserved at the Smithton Village Hall.

**CEMETERY** decorations are removed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday through Thursday of March, June, and October.

Glass and tin containers are not permitted.

No dogs are allowed in the Cemetery.

## TRASH/RECYCLING SERVICE

Waste Management 1-800-964-8988

## ELECTRIC/GAS

Gas – Ameren 1-800-755-5000

Electric – Ameren (in town) 1-800-755-5000

Electric – Monroe County (south of town)  
618-939-7171

# Welcome New Residents

## INTERNET

AT&T (in town) 1-800-288-2020

Mediacom 1-800-444-5353

Norcom 618-257-3750

Wisper 1-800-765-7772

## PHONE

AT&T 1-800-321-2000

Mediacom 1-800-444-5353

Frontier (south of town) 1-877-387-3477

## CABLE

AT&T/Direct TV 1-855-483-3222

Mediacom 1-800-444-5353

## FROM THE SMITHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Non-Emergency Calls 618-233-0550

Leave a message and an officer will return your call.

VISIT THE SMITHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ON FACEBOOK!

**NOTE: If you see anything or anyone suspicious around town, contact the Police Department immediately, or call 911.**

**EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM** is an automated call to residents when tornado warnings are issued, or any time the Village needs to make immediate contact with the residents. Please contact the Village Hall if you have not yet been added.

**STORM SHELTER** is available during severe weather. It is in the education/office building behind St. John's United Church of Christ – 7 South Street. It will be opened when tornado warnings are issued. No pets are allowed.

**SOLICITING** is prohibited in Smithton without a permit. Notify the Police Department when you see somebody in your neighborhood.

**LOW SPEED VEHICLES (UTVs/Golf Carts)** require an annual inspection and are due by April 30, 2021. Contact the Police Department to schedule an appointment.

**HOUSE WATCH** is available if you plan on being gone for an extended time. Contact the Police Department or Village Hall to have extra patrols by your residence.

## FROM THE STREET & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

**SNOW REMOVAL** Please refrain from parking vehicles on the streets when snow is predicted so our plows can get through. Keep in mind, it is the street departments responsibility to make the streets passable not to clear resident's driveways and mailboxes.

**STREETLIGHTS** out in your neighborhood, please contact Ameren at 800-755-5000 or AmerenIllinoisSolutions@ameren.com; or Monroe County Electric at 618-939-7171.

**IF YOU HAVE HAD A SEWER BLOCKAGE** please notify the Village so we can inspect our lines which may alleviate further problems.



Call **811**  
or Click  
Before You  
Dig.



illinois1call.com



### Avoid damage to neighborhood underground utilities.

At JULIE, we urge you to always contact us before any digging project, large or small. Even if you're digging in the same location, just a little to the left or right or deeper can cause damage. It's happened to other homeowners, don't let it happen to you. Avoid damaged utility line costs and disruption of service to you or your neighbors. Be safe, contact JULIE.



Simply go online to [Illinois1call.com](http://Illinois1call.com) or call **811** or **800-892-0123** at least two working days in advance.

Visit our website for "Homeowner Project Tips."



You'll know what's below by the different flags, stakes or paint.

- Red - Electric
- Yellow - Gas, oil or petroleum
- Orange - Communications
- Blue - Potable water
- Purple - Reclaimed water, irrigation
- Green - Sewer
- White - Proposed excavation
- Pink - Temporary survey

JULIE, Inc. neither owns nor marks underground lines, however we alert our member utility companies so they can mark your property for safe digging.

It's Smart. It's Free. It's the Law.

Join us on:

**YARD CLEANING** Do not sweep or blow grass clippings or leaves into the street.

**DO NOT BURN** yard waste on the Village streets. Burn only Monday – Saturday from dawn to dusk.

**YARD WASTE** dumping at the back of the park is limited to grass clippings, leaves and small branches only. DO NOT dump lumber or any other items.

**FOR AFTER HOUR EMERGENCIES** call the non-emergency police line at 618-233-0550. Leave a message for the officer on duty and they will contact the Street Department.