



Spring/Summer 2023

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92 Cleves Avenue

Cleves, Ohio 45002

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Monday - Friday

7:30 am - 3:30 pm

**Building Inspector**

Don Mercer

**Waterworks**

513-941-3490



## Village Electrical Aggregation Renewal August/September 2023

The Village's current electric aggregation program with Dynegy will conclude in August 2023. The Village's aggregation broker held a competitive bid process where Energy Harbor presented the most competitive rate that would provide Cleves residents another strong opportunity to capitalize on electric bill savings.

The new electric aggregation rate is \$0.0722 per kilowatt hour. This rate will begin with August meter readings and be seen on September 2023 invoices. The rate will continue for a two-year term through August 2025. The new rate is 26% lower than the current Duke Price-to-Compare rate of \$0.097809 as of June 1, 2023.

Residents who currently are enrolled in the Village's electric aggregation program with Dynegy will receive an opt-out letter from Energy Harbor in mid-June. The opt-out letter is sent to all eligible residents, including anyone who may have moved into the Village or any others currently utilizing Duke Energy's electric supply services. To take advantage of the \$0.0722 /kWh rate secured by the Village, **NO ACTION IS REQUIRED BY YOU WITH THE OPT-OUT LETTER.**

You also will receive a letter from Duke Energy confirming your enrollment – no action required if you wish to remain in the Village's program.

### GREEN ENERGY OPTION

For residents interested in a green power option, please contact Energy Harbor after enrollment into the Village's aggregation program and request green power for your account. The rate for green power energy is slightly higher at \$0.0761 per kilowatt hour.

### Energy Harbor

Customer Service: 866-636-3749

8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

<https://energyharbor.com/en/community-programs/find-your-program>

### RESEARCHING AGGREGATION RATES

Please know that residents always have the ability to opt-out of the Village's aggregation program and research their own program by visiting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's "Energy Choice Ohio" at [www.energychoice.ohio.gov](http://www.energychoice.ohio.gov).

If you wish to choose a different plan than the one offered by the Village, the Village cautions that you become familiar with another vendor's program thoroughly before making the switch. Many vendors may provide lower introductory rates; however, once the introductory period expires, rates may increase significantly higher than the Village's longer-term aggregation rate. In addition, there may be fees and penalties with canceling prior to a contract end date. There are no fees or penalties associated with the Village's program.

The Village will continue to keep residents informed through Bulletin articles and updates on the Village website [cleves.org](http://cleves.org). Please do not hesitate to contact Michael Rahall, Village Manager, at 513-467-7006 or [mike.rahall@cleves.org](mailto:mike.rahall@cleves.org) or Energy Harbor if you have questions or need additional information.

## Park Improvements



A full-court basketball court and a pickleball court are now open at the Cleves Community Park. The courts are located next to the new playground equipment near the entrance of the park and were funded by a grant from the Community Development Block Grant of Hamilton County.

## Cleves Flag

Resident Benjamin Mitchell designed a flag for the Village and was presented with a proclamation by Mayor Myers at the April 12th Council meeting in appreciation. The flag will fly over the village and will be incorporated in the new street banners. Special thanks to Mr. Mitchell.



The Village of Cleves Beautification Committee will hold the second annual Yard of the Month contest beginning in June.

**Cleves**  
**Yard of the Month**  
**Contest**

**Win a \$25 Gift Card!**

**Sponsors:**  
GWCC  
Skyline  
Kroger

**June-September**

**Nominate a yard!**  
(Village of Cleves residents only)

Judges will assess property visible from the street with emphasis on curb appeal, neatness, design, plant material and focal point. Attention will be given to mailboxes, bushes, sidewalk, and grass.  
**Deadline for nominations is the 25th of each month.**  
**Winning yards will be awarded the 1st day of each month.**

## Issue 20

Village of Cleves Tax Levy Renewal passed at the November 8, 2022 election. This 3.9 mill Tax Levy Renewal WILL NOT increase your property taxes and will generate approximately \$209,000 dollars annually which will be used for general operating expenses. The Village thanks you for your vote of confidence.



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Cleves, Ohio 45002

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## New Businesses

Four new businesses have opened in the Village since the last newsletter. Please support these local businesses.



*Libby's Closet is a thrift store and also a U-Haul rental facility located at 145 South Miami in the old Skyline building.*



*Rustic Happiness is a vintage clothing and jewelry store located at 131 South Miami*



*Tienda Corazon Latinas 8 South Miami opened in the former Nature's Nook and is a convenience store specializing in Hispanic Cuisine and will soon offer hot food.*



*Roy Rogers serves their famous burgers, beef and chicken.*

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