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**Next City Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 8th**  
**City Hall**  
 at 7.30 pm

\*Wheelchair access at back entrance.

## Notes from the Mayor, No. 34

I hope everyone had nothing but winners last Saturday!

Our City looks beautiful in Springtime. Thanks to all of our residents who pay so much attention to the beauty of their property.

I hope to see everyone on the 8th.

-Sean Fore  
 Mayor



Officer Bittle and family at swearing in ceremony

Trash Pickup - every Tuesday & Friday  
 Yard Waste/Leaves - every Monday  
 Recycling - Alternate Tuesdays  
**RECYCLING DATES**  
 May 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and June 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Check-Out the City's Website**  
**[www.hurstbourneacres.org](http://www.hurstbourneacres.org)**  
 and "like" us at the Community of Hurstbourne Acres Facebook page

## Street and Lights

On April 14<sup>th</sup>, I picked up headlights and bumper parts from a wreck on Bunsen Pkwy. This is our cities most dangerous intersection, having the most wrecker and ambulance calls in the area.

On May 15 Chief Biddle reported a sink hole formed in the street. MSD was notified and after an inspection a large steel plate was placed over the problem spots and will be repaired shortly.

In a phone call with Marylin Parker's office, I was questioned the possibility of sidewalks to Taylorsville Rd. on Hurstbourne Pkwy. Recently there has been some movement with Tarc and Transportation Dept. and they are checking to see what right of way they have. This is still a way off but some movement is encouraging. Grass and weed removal was also discussed regarding the ditch in front of the Nunnlea House.

Safety and Privacy Concern: Do not throw away anything in ECO-TECH recycle bins that you don't want read or taken by other persons. Such as a bank and credit card statements, anything personal in nature, magazines with labels and more.

**BE WISE, BE SAFE**

## SANITATION

Seems like a sin, but you can dispose of hardback books and those hard-to-unload encyclopedia in the Trash on Tuesdays and Fridays. And plastic bags can be Recycled (alternate Tuesdays: May 6 & 20; June 3).

Are you content with your Sanitation service? (Would an increase to weekly Recycling suit you better? Could your household get by with trash pickup once a week, instead of the current Tuesday and Friday? Yard Waste is year-round, once a week on Mondays.) If you have any concerns or suggestions, please get in touch with me.

BOOK CLUB will get together at City Hall on Monday, May 12, at 3 pm. We read, we talk, we get to know each other—you come, too!

Sally Price, Sanitation Commissioner



## Message from Hurstbourne Acres Police Department

Spring is here, and with it comes home and lawn beautification projects. Before hiring someone to work at your house, please consider the following suggestions:

- 1.) Get at least 2-3 estimates from reputable businesses. Referrals from a trusted relative or neighbor usually works best.
- 2.) Check the Better Business Bureau website.
- 3.) Be wary of paying up front.
- 4.) Be wary of people that work out of their truck, and use temporary magnetic signs, advertising their business. These folks normally do not live locally.
- 5.) Get it in writing. Get a description of the job that is to be completed, including cost, and a finish date.
- 6.) Make sure the person/business is licensed, and insured. Do not take their word, ask for proof. Reputable business's do not mind, and will not be offended.
- 7.) Ask for their ID, and write down their license plate number. If something goes wrong, it will help to locate that person, and that information is needed for small claims court.
- 8.) Do not be afraid to ask a family member or friend to help you with these matters.
- 9.) Be patient. If you have a bad feeling about the contractor, or the deal itself walk away. The work being done can wait one more week.
- 10.) Do not ever, under any circumstance allow anyone into your home uninvited. Unscrupulous contractors will try to pressure and confuse the homeowner, into purchasing more than is actually needed.

Remember if a deal seems too good to be true it usually is. Never be embarrassed to ask for help.

I would like to thank all of you that have expressed the kind words and appreciation for our police department. If anyone has any concerns, feel free to call, and I will meet with you personally.

Chief Rusty Bittle

Golden Watch

*Commissioner Teresa Renninger*

### **Looking for a Stress Reliever Try Gardening**

One of the best ways to relieve stress is to plant herbs, flowers or vegetables. Working in some soil and watching your plants grow is a great leisure outdoor or indoor activity. For many seniors gardening can provide a great way to escape into nature and a relief from many of the challenges of life. Gardening can enrich your life in several ways, physically, mentally and spiritually. The following tips can help you to a successful gardening experience.

If you cannot get outside try our hand at **indoor** gardening.

Plant herbs in small flower pots and put them in your window to get sun.

Plant flowers in small pots to brighten up your home.

For the **outdoor** gardener;

Purchase seedpods or seed tape for easier handling and planting.

Grow vegetables that you will enjoy eating.

Use a vertical garden or a trellis. This will allow the senior gardener to plant and weed without stooping or bending.

Build and design raised beds that provide a place to sit and garden.

Instead of stooping or squatting, try using a stool, chair or bench when working in the garden.

Use tools that are the right length.

For safety sake, garden early in the morning or late in the day. Avoid being out between 10am and 2pm. Drink plenty of water to prevent dehydration. Always allow time for breaks in the shade.

Wear lightweight cloths, sunscreen, a big floppy hat and gardening gloves. Don't forget to take your cell phone out with you in case of an emergency.

If you are looking for some place close to buy those plants you can always check out the greenhouse we have in our neighborhood, Thieneman's it is located on Blowing Tree with a great variety of herbs and perennials.

### **Parks**

The City's Annual Easter Egg Hunt went well. The weather was wonderful and we had an approx. 30% increase from last year in Egg Hunters making the total 29. And due to the warmer temperatures the Easter Bunny hope's that all chocolate was not too messy. Now that Derby has come and gone again – I hope everyone had a winning horse and a safe weekend. With the weather hopefully warming up the park is now the place to go. I would like to thank all pet owners that use the park for 'scooping' after their pets and to remind those that don't. We will be adding some new bushes in the park along the fence row between Haviland and Hurstbourne.

The City's Yard Sale will be held on Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. Let's all pray for good weather. This will be the Memorial Day weekend and hopefully we will have more participation and extra shoppers with \$\$\$\$\$. We will advertise in the Courier-Journal, Craigs List, Facebook and signs will be posted. Please feel free to advertise at any media outlet that you may use.

One of your neighbors, Lynn Ingmire at 1804 Woodfield (491-0480) would like to raise money for the Louisville Lupus Society by selling any items you would like to donate. And if your donation does not sell, she will drop off at Goodwill.

In other news .....A tree will be planted in the Park that is being donated by Marty and Leslie Dunn. Many thanks to the Dunn Family. If anyone else is interested in planting a tree or bush in their name please contact me at [Lenny.Miles@ymail.com](mailto:Lenny.Miles@ymail.com) and we will get a plaque made to recognize the donor.

I had a complaint about the Port a Pot in the park being unsanitary. And if anyone has any information as to who is responsible please notify me or HAPD.

Thanks

Lenny Miles

CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ACRES

April 10, 2014  
Minutes  
DRAFT

The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order at 7:30 PM on April 10, 2014 at the meeting room of the Hurstbourne Acres City Hall/Police Department, 1916 Hurstbourne Circle, Louisville, Kentucky, with the following persons present;

Sean Fore, Mayor  
Jim Lynch, Commissioner  
Lenny Miles, Commissioner  
Teresa Renninger,  
Commissioner  
Rusty Bittle, Police Chief  
Stephen Emery, City Attorney  
Michael Bolten, City Clerk  
Troy Eskridge, Resident  
Marilyn Cummings, Resident  
Laura Seigle, Resident  
Ron Walter, Resident  
Margaret Carter, Resident  
Peggy Kleier, Resident  
Teresa Myers, Resident  
Doug Rogers, Resident  
Marty Dunn, Resident  
Terry McAllister, Resident  
Kelly Bittle, Guest  
Brent Renninger, Resident

**March 13, 2014 Minutes**

After review of the draft copy of the minutes, Commissioner Lynch made a motion to accept as published. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger and passed unopposed.

**Treasurer's Report**

Sharon Hollkamp read the monthly treasurer's report for March, 2014 and copies were made available for all people in attendance. After a discussion, Commissioner Lynch made a motion to accept the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miles which passed unanimously.

**Warrants**

Sharon Hollkamp read the monthly warrants for March, 2014 and copies were made available for all people in attendance. After a discussion, Commissioner Lynch made a motion to accept the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miles and passed unopposed.

**Attorney's Report**

Steve Emery prepared the language to complete the swearing in of the Police Chief. He also has information regarding the deed restrictions for the shopping center, specifically over by Liquor Barn. Finally, he will discuss the issue of Eminent Domain later on in the meeting.

**Swearing In of Police Chief**

Mayor Fore made a motion to change the status of Officer Bittle from Acting Police Chief to permanent Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger and passed with one Commissioner opposed, Lenny Miles. The swearing in was then completed by Mayor Fore.

**Police Report**

Police Chief Bittle reported the following;

- 3 house watches completed,
- 10 neighborhood contacts,
- 2 traffic stops,
- 2 accident reports,
- Businesses checked daily,
- Talked with McMahan Fire Department about a potential arson problem which was passed on to the managers at the apartment complexes,
- Computers updated,
- Apartment complexes have requested the 'No Solicitation' signs,
- 1 complaint about a contractor,
- Commissioner Lynch mentioned to Police Chief Bittle about a pine tree problem. It was agreed that either Police Chief Bittle or Officer Moore will talk with the manager at the apartment complex.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Parks**

Commissioner Miles reported that a response has been received from the management of the Meadows Apartment Homes? They stated that with the size of the assets of the company that owns the apartment complex, it has not been a high priority item, so no decision was made. With the safety of our residents at stake, the possibility of using Eminent Domain is being considered. Attorney Emery advised that facts need to be investigated, and specific work done before proceeding in that direction. In other news, the Port-A-Let has been reinstalled in the Park, the yard sale is scheduled for 5/24 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Easter Egg Hunt is 4/13 at 1:00 pm, and tree work in the Park has been completed.

### **Streets**

Commissioner Lynch advised that the stop sign on Cardwell Way has been straightened. Also, he mentioned that there are an abundance of leaves and grass in the gutters on Bunsen that need clearing out. Mayor Fore said that he would check with J-Town to see if they would be willing to do the work.

### **Police**

Commissioner Renninger reported that the cost of the computer updates was \$780. She noted that it was more than expected because additional ram had to be purchased along with a program license. Information has been sent to get the grant money back, over \$500. Finally, some unnecessary police equipment was returned which will give the Police Department a credit of \$1000.

### **First Reading of Ad Valorem Tax Ordinance**

After a discussion, Commissioner Renninger made a motion to leave the tax rate at the current \$.14/\$100 of valuation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miles, and passed without opposition. Mayor Fore then completed the first reading of Ordinance #1, Series 2014 establishing the Ad Valorem Tax at \$.14 per \$100 of valuation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014.

### **First Reading of Budget Ordinance**

After the preliminary discussion, the Commission agreed to have the first reading of Ordinance #2, Series 2014 establishing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014. The first reading was completed by Mayor Fore.

### **Food Truck**

During the initial discussion about the food truck, sponsored by Liquor Barn, Attorney Emery suggested that the City could establish an ordinance, similar to Louisville Metro, about this situation. The Commission agreed to table further discussion until the meeting in May.

### **Regal Car Wash**

The representatives from Regal Car Wash again failed to show for the meeting. No further action is needed at this time.

### **Note from Mrs. Pennington**

The Mayor read the note of appreciation received from Mrs. Pennington for the sympathy cards and notes concerning the recent death of her husband, Charles.

### **Ernest Mays Recent Passing**

Commissioner Renninger mentioned that a long time resident on Hurstbourne Lane, Ernest Mays, also recently passed away. She provided information on the funeral arrangements and the visitation.

### **Trees on the Berm on Bunsen**

Resident Terry McAllister mentioned that some trees need to be replaced on the berm behind his house. He was directed by Mayor Fore to coordinate that process with Commissioner Lynch.

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Bolten, City Clerk

