

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK NEWSLETTER August 2015



Number 8

Dear Fellow Residents:

A special thank you to **Councilman Louie Schweickhardt** and those who assisted him in placing the American flags for the **July 4th Independence Day** weekend. Celebrating the birth of our nation has become a tradition in our City. Through the efforts of **Councilman Schweickhardt** and his volunteers, St. Regis Park continued its patriotic beauty.

The Flag Distribution Crew included Bud and Judy Campbell; Julie Domian and David Ernest; Laura and Jason Avery and Alden Lewis; Mary Beth, Todd, Zach, and Aaron Raque; Councilman Eric Shackelford; Brian Straub and family; Aaron, Bryce, Trey, and Brielle Thompson. The Flag Retrieval Crew included Sam and Will Schweickhardt. Again, our thanks to each of you for a job well done. Also, a special thanks to those who donated blood on July 4th at the American Red Cross Community Blood Drive at the Upper Highlands Swim Club. Once again, that event was a resounding success.

St. Regis Park tax bills for 2015-2016 will be mailed to homeowners by July 30. As a reminder, if your tax and sanitation bills are paid from an escrow account, it is your responsibility to forward the information to the appropriate financial institution.

The **St. Regis Park Tree Board** and **City Arborist Cindi Sullivan** continue their efforts to secure the *Tree City USA* designation for our City. Significant progress has been made and we are hopeful a favorable response can be reported shortly. In addition, some 35 residents have already submitted their names for the fall and spring tree plantings. If you are interested, please send an email to either stregispark@gmail. com or msmattingly@outlook.com .

Changes are being made. First, with this month's newsletter, we begin the forum, *Your Opinion Matters.* This will present residents the opportunity to express their views and opinions of happenings in the City. Also, the telephone number for

St. Regis Park City Hall is being changed, as is the City's email address. The new telephone number is **502/654-8145.** The email address is stregispark@gmail.com .

Preparations are being finalized for the annual **St. Regis Park City-Wide Yard Sale** on **Saturday, September 12,** beginning at **8:00 a.m.** And on a final note, the City of St. Regis Park will again sponsor an **Old-Time Ice Cream Social** on **Sunday, August 9,** on the **Ascension School grounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m.** There will be games and fun for all ages. Once more, our sincere thanks to **Helen Walter** for again donating the ice cream for this event. Come meet your neighbors. After all, **the City of St. Regis Park is not only a great place to live; it's also a great place to have fun.**

Sincerely, Brandt Davis, Mayor

IMPORTANT DATES			
AUGUST 4	CITY COUNCIL MEETING (MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)		
	RECYCLING PICKUP		
	COAST GUARD DAY		
AUGUST 9	ICE CREAM SOCIAL (ASCENSION SCHOOL GROUNDS 4:00–6:00 PM)		
AUGUST 18	RECYCLING PICKUP		
SEPTEMBER 1	CITY COUNCIL MEETING (MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)		
	RECYCLING PICKUP		
SEPTEMBER 12	CITY-WIDE YARD SALE (8:00 AM - ?)		

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING July 7, 2015

Following are the Minutes of the regular monthly Council Meeting for the City of St. Regis Park, held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: Talbott Allen, Bob Graves, Louie Schweickhardt, Frank Wheatley, Cheryl Willett. Absent: Stephen Hoard, Eric Shackelford.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Charlie Veeneman, City Accountant, presented the Financial Report for June 2015. The General Fund revenues for the month were \$591.67 with year-to-date revenues at \$372,640.05. Total expenses for the month were \$38,287.56 with year-to-date expenses at \$300,479.37 resulting in year-to-date excess revenue over expenses of \$72,160.68.

The Road Fund revenues for the month were \$3,537.64 with year-to-date revenues at \$34,705.38. Total expenses for the month were \$-0- with year-to-date expenses at \$20,360.00, resulting in year-to-date excess revenue of \$14,345.38.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the June 2015 Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett. The motion passed without dissent.

Complete financials are posted on the City's website at www.stregispark.net .

Mr. Veeneman advised that there was an adjustment to the Fannie Mae investment on the balance sheet.

Mr. Schweickhardt made a motion to transfer the balance of the Fifth Third Money Market account (.20%) to a Park Federal Money Market account (.50%). The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett. The motion passed without dissent.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

Mr. Graves made a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular Council Meeting held on June 2, 2015. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

POLICE REPORT:

Officer Eddie Phillips, III of the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) and representing Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE), was present but had no report. The Small City Activity Report for June will be published in the monthly newsletter.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: MEL MILBURN (Absent)

The Council tabled the curb and address painting until the spring of 2016.

CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: KENNY BETTS

Mr. Betts patrolled 95 miles and issued eight (8) Hi-Neighbor Notices.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: JOHN SINGLER

No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT

Mr. Schweickhardt thanked the volunteers that distributed the July 4th flags and will provide Mr. Graves with a list for the August newsletter.

SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN

The annual City Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday August 9, 2015 from 4-6 pm at the Ascension field located on Lynnbrook Drive. Ms. Helen Walter, who resides on Lynnbrook Drive, will donate the ice cream for the event.

The city-wide yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2015.

PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT

No Report.

BUILDING PERMITS: STEPHEN HOARD (Absent)

MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY

Mr. Wheatley is changing the city phone number and email address in order to allow for easier access by the City Clerk. The existing email and phone number will officially change in 90 days after notice to residents.

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES

Mr. Graves reported that several street banners were damaged during a recent storm. Mr. Allen will work with Walsh Brothers and submit a report and action plan at the August meeting.

FINANCE: ERIC SHACKELFORD (Absent)

Mr. Shackelford has been working with McMahan Fire and Rescue on a city-wide CPR class. After discussions with Chief Pat Walsh at the Council Meeting, classes will be scheduled quarterly and advertised over the year. In an effort to offset costs and eliminate resident fees, Mr. Wheatley made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the McMahan Department CPR program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schweickhardt. The motion passed without dissent. Class details will be publicized in a timely fashion.

TREE BOARD:

Ms. Mary Mattingly was present and requested that the Council adopt an Arbor Day Proclamation in order to pursue the Tree

The City has "No Parking" signs available for use by residents who host large gatherings. Residents may call City Clerk Bill Hodapp at 654-8145 for information regarding the use of these signs. City USA designation. Mr. Allen made a motion to proclaim that Arbor Day will occur on the 4th Saturday of each April in the City of St. Regis Park. The motion was seconded by Mr. Graves. The motion passed without dissent.

To date, thirty five residents have requested trees for the upcoming fiscal year. Ms. Willett wants to ensure that residents only receive one tree per yard. There have been a few exceptions based on the City Arborist's recommendations.

CITIZEN PARTICPATION:

Mr. Bill Holton who resides on Dannywood Road was present but had no comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Singler will draft revisions to the current garage ordinance and deliver revisions recommended by the Council at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Graves. The motion passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. Submitted by Bill Hodapp, City Clerk

(These Minutes are considered unapproved until signed by Mayor Brandt Davis.)

Approved:

Brandt Davis, Mayor, City of St. Regis Park The City of St. Regis Park allows a public comment section during its meetings. These public comments are summarized in the City Council Minutes. The views expressed do not necessarily represent the views of the City of St. Regis Park.

COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING ATTENDANCE 2015

Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Brandt Davis	7	7	100%
Talbott Allen	7	6	86%
Bob Graves	7	6	86%
Stephen Hoard	7	6	86%
Louie Schweickhardt	7	6	86%
Eric Shackelford	7	4	57%
Frank Wheatley	7	6	86%
Cheryl Willett	7	7	100%



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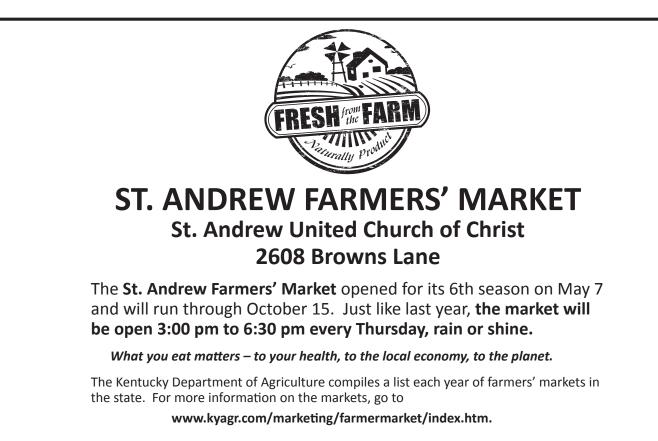
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HOURS

CLOSED MONDAYS TUESDAY – SUNDAY, 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM





CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK



Ice Cream Social Sunday, August 9 4:00pm – 6:00pm Ascension School Grounds



Bring your lawn chairs. Enjoy some ice cream, visit with your neighbors.

We will also have some games: balloon toss, three legged races, sack races, bubble blowing, and more.

Ice Cream generously donated by Helen Walter.

Join us for our annual

St. Regis Park City-Wide Yard Sale, Saturday, September 12th 8:00 AM - ???

St. Regis Park Citywide Yard Sale Saturday, September 12th 8:00 A.M. until ??



Clear clutter from attics, basements, and garages.



Make some cash and be a part of the fun.



Police officers will enforce traffic regulations and extra police will patrol this day!

Sponsored by the City of St. Regis Park

ST. REGIS PARK CITY-WIDE YARD SALE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 8:00 AM-?

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YARD SALE DAY

IF YOU ARE PARTICIPATING

-----Try to set up in your driveway or yard close to the street to be more visible.

------Please park your personal vehicle further up in your driveway so that you do not take space on the street in front of your house and thus help keep the area on the street in front of your home open for traffic and allow parking for buyers coming from outside the City. Any suspicious behavior should be reported immediately, so if possible, have a cell phone nearby.

-----People come early, so plan to set up as early as possible.

-----Extra police will patrol that day. For any problem, contact them immediately and try to get the license plate number and a car description of an offender's vehicle.

-----Join with neighbors and hold a multi-house sale at one location for a larger sale.

IF YOU ARE NOT PARTICIPATING

-----Please park your vehicle(s) off the street, but close to the street to avoid your driveway being used as a turn around point.

-----Report any suspicious or unusual activity to the police patrolling the City during the yard sale.

-----If possible, keep your garage door closed during the hours of the yard sale so that it will not attract attention.

There will be *NO PARKING* on the sides of the streets where fire hydrants are located. "No Parking" signs will be posted on Thursday evening, September 10. Police patrols will ticket those vehicles who do not comply.



Arbor Day Proclamation

Whereas The city of St. Regis Park , Kentucky, values trees as an important natural resource;

Whereas The city values the biological diversity of trees, and their role in providing air, water, and soil protection, filtering pollutants, and providing habitat;

Whereas The city values well-selected and maintained trees to contribute to property values and decreased energy costs;

Whereas The city's vision is a city with an appropriately full and healthy tree canopy;

Whereas The Tree Board and its city arborist support the mayor and city council in providing information, education, and incentives for maintaining existing trees, developing a healthy tree canopy, and planting new trees.

Whereas Arbor Day is celebrated throughout the United States and throughout the world;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Brandt Davis, Mayor of the City of St. Regis Park, do hereby proclaim that the 4th Saturday of April will be celebrated as Arbor Day, beginning April 25, 2015,

And I urge all citizens to plant and care for trees to promote the well-being of future generations.

Dated this 7th day of July in the year 2015

Mayor **Brandt Davis**

YOUR OPINION MATTERS

The City of St. Regis Park welcomes letters to the editor. Short letters are more likely to be published, and all letters may be edited for reasons of style, accuracy or space limitations. Letters may be sent by First Class mail to City of St. Regis Park, Post Office 20429, Louisville, Kentucky 40250 or by email to stregispark@gmail.com.

"After reading the last newsletter for the city, I thought it pertinent to address some concerns that are larger than grass clippings. Since the arrival of warm weather, my husband and I have noticed an increasing amount of dog excrement in our front yard and sidewalk. In one day's time, we had to remove 7 piles. This is unsanitary and just plain rude. As a dog owner myself, I ensure that I remove my dog's waste from my neighbor's property and expect the same responsibility in return. I have heard of other programs in other neighborhoods throughout the city that require DNA testing of the residing dogs and when their owners neglect to follow the common courtesy of picking up the waste, they send off the sample and the owner is then fined. This is something the City of St. Regis Park should investigate further. Also, now with the pool being open and Foxy Poise being a main access route, I have also noticed an increase in litter. This reflects poorly on the city to have trash about in people's yards. And yesterday, I witnessed 2 young men driving in a silver Lexus from the pool stopping to throw out an empty alcohol container in the yard across the street. When I went to question the boys, they sped off, disregarding the stop sign and swerving in the direction of Lincoln. This is concerning as we have many young kids walking to and from the pool and parked cars on the street. I am a proud resident of the city of St. Regis and would like for it's (sic) reputation as a great place to live and raise a family to continue. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you for your time," *A Foxy Poise Road Resident*

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK ORDINANCES GENERAL REGULATIONS (ANIMALS)

90.02 ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

(A) No person who is the owner of any animal shall permit it to run at large in any public road, street, lane or alley, or upon an enclosure without the consent of the owner of the yard, lot or enclosure.

(B) The owner of an animal who permits it to run at large in violation of this section is liable for all damages caused by the animal upon the premises of another.

90.03 NOISE DISTURBANCE.

No person shall keep or harbor any dog within the City which, by frequent and habitual barking, howling, or yelping, creates unreasonably loud and disturbing noises of such a character, intensity, and duration as to disturb the peace, quiet, and good order of one or more of the inhabitants of two or more separate residences. Any person who shall allow any dog habitually to remain, be lodged, or fed within any dwelling, yard, or enclosure which he occupies or owns shall be considered harboring the dog.

90.06 REMOVING AND DISCARDING ANIMAL WASTES.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any owner or person in charge of a dog, cat or any other animal to permit the animal to be on public property, or any private property other than that of the owner or person in charge or control of the animal without the permission of the owner of the property, or any streets, sidewalks or rights-of-way in the City, without the owner or person in charge of the

animal to have in his or her possession a suitable device for the picking up, collection and proper sanitary disposal of the animal feces or manure.

(B) It shall be unlawful for the owner or person in charge of a dog, cat or any other animal to permit or allow the animal to excrete manure or feces on any public property, or any private property other than that of the owner or person in charge or control of the animal without the permission of the owner of the property, or any streets, sidewalks or rights-of-way in the City, unless the owner or person in control of the animal immediately removes all feces deposited by the animal and disposes of same in a sanitary manner.

90.08 ANIMALS ATTACKING AND BITING.

No person shall harbor or keep any domestic animal which shall bite or attack any person or other animal.

90.99 PENALTY.

 (A) Any person who violates any provision of this chapter for which another penalty is not already otherwise provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$500 for each offense, each day the violation exists constitutes a separate offense,

(B) Any person who violates Section 90.06 shall be guilty of a violation and shall be punishable by a fine of no less than \$5 and no more than \$25 per violation.

Small City Activity Sheet



City: St. Regis Park			Month/Yea	ır:	June	2015
Traffic Stops:	DSS	Speeding	RD	Other	Arrests	Warnings
Location:						
Woodmont/Lincoln	2	1				2
Lynnbrook/Aintree	2	1		1		2
Foxy Poise/Lynnbrook	1	2				3
Woodmont/Mt. Vernon	3			1		3
Dannywood/Browns		4		2		
Browns/Lincoln		1				1
4600 Block Lincoln	1					1
Browns/Brookhaven		3	1	2		1
Rockwood						
Dannywood/Woodmont	3	2		1		6
Statton/Woodmont	1					1
Woodmont/St Regis	1					1
St Regis Ln		1				
Browns/Lowe	1	7				1
Mt. Vernon	1					1
Total:	16	22	1	7	0	23
YTD Total:	73	127	5	40	4	101
Resident:	8	5		1		13
Non-Resident:	8	17	1	6		10
YTD- Resident	44	25	0	12	0	69
YTD-Non-Resident	29	102	5	28	4	32
Suspicious person/vehicles/other Suspicious Vehicle - 2 Stranded Motorist -	activity:	911 (Suspicious Foot Patrol	Person - 1		Towed Ver Officer Ass Business C	ist - 4

Council Meeting - 1 Resident Contact - 3 Burglar Alarm -**House Watches:** Lincoln -St. Regis Lane -Mt. Vernon -Lynnbrook - 1 Saddle Ct -Stormon - 3 Foxy Poise -Woodward -Cambridge -Lowe -Aintree -Ashfield -Others -Saddle Horn -Browns - 3 Dannywood -SCHOOL BUS #0230 SPEEDING - 40mph IN 25mph ZONE. WARNING GIVEN

PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER

BACKUP SAFETY



There was a recent incident on Lincoln Road where a child riding their bike was almost backed over. It is important all of us be reminded of backup safety! In fact, in the United States, back-over accidents kill some 300 people annually and injure another 18,000, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Tragically, 35% of the fatalities are children under the

age of 5, many of whom are struck in their own driveways by a family member.

Many back-over accidents may be prevented. While back-up risks may vary, these tips can help no matter what kind of vehicle you drive:

- Take a safety walk. Before you get in your car, walk behind it to make sure there's nothing back there. Once you've checked, move the car right away (don't wait a few minutes while the car warms up). If you have children, make sure another adult is supervising them as you back out.
- Trim shrubbery around your driveway to ensure you can see the sidewalk and pedestrians can see as you back out.
- Make a "feet on the grass" rule. Teach children and grandchildren that when they see someone walking to a parked car or hear an engine start, they must be standing in the grass not on the pavement.

- Park at the street-end of your driveway (not the garageend) if children play in your driveway.
- Park farther from the store. Everyone, including harried moms with toddlers, must walk behind the cars parked just outside the door when they come and go from the store. The number of pedestrians and your chances of colliding with one thins considerably the farther away you park.
- **Consider retrofitting your car with a backup camera** if it does not have one. That's especially important if you're short; drive a large vehicle like a pickup, minivan, or SUV; or suffer from back or neck injuries that make it difficult for you to turn and look over your shoulders. You can pick up a camera for as little as \$100.

HOW TO TEST YOUR BLIND SPOT

A back-up blind spot – the area directly behind a car that a driver can't see – varies widely depending on the vehicle and the height of the driver. Ask a friend to help you test your vehicle's blind spot. Starting at the middle of your back bumper, have your friend move a standard 28-inch cone (or similar object) straight back from your car until you can just see its top. The distance may surprise you – perhaps 10 feet for tall drivers in small sedans and as much as 50 feet for short drivers in pickup truck.

Remember – it only takes seconds for an accident to occur.

INFORMATION TO IMPROVE HOMEOWNERSHIP *where are the sellers?*

Low inventories resulting in multiple offers are contributing to what many experienced agents are calling the most challenging market they've ever worked. While buyers with resources may find the market difficult, purchasers with minimum cash and credit are struggling to find and get into a home.

First-time buyers feel the impetus to purchase because they're renting and are concerned about being priced out of the market with rapidly appreciating prices and rising interest rates.

Sellers may not feel the same urgency because they already own a home. While they might find it appealing to change homes, they may not feel a pressing motivation causing them to act.

In some cases, sellers are so attached to their low interest rate mortgage that instead of selling, they're keeping the home as rental property. This may be a good investment for people with additional cash resources for the down payment and closing costs on the replacement property. Why now is a good time to sell:

- 1. The economy is strong.
- 2. The majority of home sales occur in the months of May through September.
- 3. Many buyers find it preferable to move in the summer because their children are out of school and they can avoid the winter weather.
- 4. Mortgage rates are still low but are starting to rise.
- 5. Current low inventories in most markets result in higher prices and less competition.

Contact your real estate professional to evaluate the opportunities of making a move, and remember, make certain you know the **TRUE VALUE** of your home **<u>BEFORE</u>** listing it for sale.

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK



NEWSLETTER 4318 Taylorsville Road Louisville, KY 40220-1519



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Louisville Metro Police – 911 Emergency 574-2111 or 311 – Non-Emergency www.louisvilleky.gov McMahan Fire District – 911 Emergency 491-4745 – Non-Emergency

> 2015 CITY COUNCIL Brandt Davis, Mayor – 654-8145

MEMBERS

Talbott Allen, Special Events – 451-3776 Bob Graves, Communications – 451-2047 Stephen Hoard, Building Permits – 931-7004 Louie Schweickhardt, Public Works – 639-7731 Eric Shackelford, Finance – 379-7721 Frank Wheatley, Director of Marketing/IT – 452-2343 Cheryl Willett, Public Safety – 458-8386

CITY EMPLOYEES

Bill Hodapp, City Clerk/Treasurer – 671-9469 Kenneth Betts, Citation Officer – 664-2784

CITY NUMBERS

St. Regis Park City Hall – 654-8145 E-Mail – stregispark@gmail.com Website – www.stregispark.net Rumpke Waste Removal – 568-3800

ST. REGIS PARK COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00 P.M., at the McMahan Fire Station

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1/4th page	\$600/year	\$300/six months
¹ / ₂ page	\$1000/year	\$500/six months
Full Page	\$1800/year	\$900/six months



The McMahan Fire Protection District Board of Directors meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the fire station, 4318 Taylorsville Rd. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.