

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK NEWSLETTER September 2017



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Dear Fellow Residents:

Once again, a wonderful summer in **St. Regis Park** is coming to an end. The kids are returning to school, the Kentucky State Fair is about to begin, and football season is upon us. Soon the air will be a bit cooler, the grass won't grow as much, and the leaves will begin to change colors. Yes, **Friday, September 22**, is **the first day of autumn.**

Monday, September 4, is Labor Day, the holiday honoring the American labor movement and the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our great country. Labor Day Weekend is also considered to be the unofficial end of summer.

That weekend, on Saturday, September 9, the City of St. Regis Park will host its Annual City-Wide Yard Sale. The yard sale will officially begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at a time determined by participants. Extra police patrols will assist in traffic control and enforcement. Please review the RECOMMENDATIONS published in the newsletter.

Last month I referred to maintaining the general appearance of St. Regis Park. In particular, I addressed leaving grass clippings, limbs, twigs and other yard waste on sidewalks or blowing them into the street or storm drains. A similar concern is the fact many of our residents seemingly ignore edging their curbs, the curb joints and where the curbs touch the asphalt, as well as keeping the storm drains clear and clean. This is NOT the City's responsibility. Such an unsightly appearance reflects a lack of pride in ownership, not to mention being inconsiderate of your neighbors. Consequently, I have instructed the City Citation Officer to issue appropriate warnings and fines as necessary. Although most of our citizens are in compliance, the few that are not make it difficult on the rest of us to maintain our property.

In closing, I want to again address the **issue of pets**. We all love our dogs and cats, but **being a pet owner incurs certain responsibilities**. Those include not only maintaining the welfare of the animal, but

complying with all applicable laws and being a good neighbor. We continually receive complaints of animals running loose or of residents finding animal waste in their yards. Animals running loose will be reported to Animal Control. Failing to clean up after your pet is covered in the SRP City Ordinances.

As always, the City of St. Regis Park is a great place to live. <u>Together</u>, we will make it even better!

Sincerely,
Braudt Davis, Mayor

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER 4 LABOR DAY

SEPTEMBER 5 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

(MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)

SEPTEMBER 9 SRP CITY-WIDE YARD SALE

(8:00 AM TO ?)

SEPTEMBER 11 PATRIOT DAY

SEPTEMBER 15 POW-MIA RECOGNITION DAY

SEPTEMBER 17 CITIZENSHIP DAY

SEPTEMBER 20 ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS

SEPTEMBER 22 FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN

SEPTEMBER 29 YOM KIPPUR BEGINS

RECYCLING PICKUP IS NOW WEEKLY

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CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING

August 1, 2017

Following are the Minutes of the regular monthly Council Meeting for the City of St. Regis Park, held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017, at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: Talbott Allen, Louie Schweickhardt, Frank Wheatley, Jeff Weis and Cheryl Willett.

Absent: Council Members Bob Graves and Eric Shackelford.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Davis presented recommendations to maintain and improve the following areas/issues in the City:

 a) Speeding – a) increase signage, including digital mounted speed signs; b) increase police patrols during school hours and have officers ticket ALL offenders and c) install a speed hump on Woodward Way.

Mr. Allen made a motion to move forward with the installation of the speed hump and to have the City Engineer survey the area and determine the exact location. Mr. Schweickhardt seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Weis inquired about camera based ticketing. Mr. Singler, City Attorney, stated there is no legal framework in Kentucky at this time.

Mr. Weis made a motion to purchase a digital speed limit sign for \$3,800.00. Mr. Schweickhardt seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent. Mayor Davis will place the order. The Council will determine which street it will be placed on at the next meeting.

- b) Remove low hanging tree branches or overgrowth which obstructs signage, sidewalks or view of traffic at intersections. Mr. Hoard will issue notices to residents that are not in compliance.
- c) Improve signage in the City by removing faded equipment, painting sign poles, removing the seasonal

- banners on all roadways and purchasing new signs to replace the signs at the neighborhood entrances.
- d) Issue notices of violations to residents that do not keep grass from growing over the street curbs per the nuisance ordinance. Pictures of the good, bad and ugly will be shared via social media and in the newsletter.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Charles J, Veeneman, CPA, City Accountant, presented the Financial and Investment Report for July 2017. General Fund revenues for the month were \$20,498.04 with year-to-date revenues at \$20,498.04. Total expenses for the month were \$40,410.70 with year-to-date expenses at \$40,410.70 resulting in year-to-date revenues over expenses of (\$19,912.66).

Road Fund revenues for the month were \$2,755.23 with year-to-date revenues at \$2,755.23. Total expenses were \$0 with year-to-date expenses at \$0 resulting in year-to-date excess revenues of \$2,755.23.

Year-to-date interest earned on investments was \$1,527.43.

Mr. Veeneman stated there was an error on the June 30, 2017 Financial Report. A payment to Sweep All for street cleaning in the amount of \$1,025.00 was applied to the General Fund and it should have been applied to the Road Fund. Changes have been made to the reports and copies were provided to the City.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the July 2017 Financial Report and the amended June 2017 Financials as discussed above. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weis, and it passed without dissent.

MINUTES:

Mr. Schweickhardt made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 5, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett, and it passed without dissent.

POLICE REPORT:

Officer Jeff Christopher with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office attended the meeting on behalf of Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE) and had no comments.

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.

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The KLE Small City Activity Report for the month of July 2017 will be published in the September newsletter.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: MEL MILBURN (Absent) No Report.

CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: STEPHEN HOARD

In July, Mr. Hoard patrolled 30 miles and issued three (3) Hi-Neighbor notices.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: JOHN SINGLER

Mr. Singler has been in contact with MSD regarding the maintenance of the creek beds in the City and on Browns Lane.

BUILDING PERMITS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT

Permits were issued for a fence on Lynnbrook Drive and a deck on St. Regis Lane.

SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN

The city-wide yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 9, 2017. Details will be published in the newsletter.

PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT

Ms. Willett reported suspicious business activity at a residence on Lincoln Road. Mr. Hoard will investigate.

PUBLIC WORKS: ERIC SHACKELFORD (Absent)

No Report.

MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY

No Report.

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES (Absent)

No Report.

FINANCE: JEFF WEIS

Mr. Weis reviewed the bank statements for June 2017 and found no issues in the reconciliation process.

TREE BOARD:

Ms. Jane Ecker, a volunteer of the St. Regis Park Tree Board, attended the meeting and discussed a reimbursement to a resident for clearing a tree from the street and sidewalk. Mr. Hodapp will obtain more information and report to the Council at the September meeting.

Eight (8) residents have applied for trees during the fall planting, and ten (10) residents have requested maintenance reimbursements.

CITIZEN PARTICPATION:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

The St Regis property and sanitation tax bills were mailed on July 29, 2017.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett, and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 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 2017

Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Brandt Davis	8	8	100%
Talbott Allen	8	7	88%
Bob Graves	8	7	88%
Louie Schweickhardt	8	7	88%
Eric Shackelford	8	5	63%
Jeff Weis	8	7	88%
Frank Wheatley	8	7	88%
Cheryl Willett	8	8	100%

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JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Clear Clutter from Attics, Basements, and Garages Make some cash and be a part of the fun

St. Regis Park Citywide Yard Sale Saturday, September 6th 8 am until ??

Police Officers will enfource traffic regulations and extra police will patrol this day!



ST. REGIS PARK CITY-WIDE YARD SALE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 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 <u>ARE NOT</u> 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

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Parking" signs will be posted on Thursday evening, September 7th. Police patrols will ticket

those vehicles who do not comply.



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ST. ANDREW FARMERS' MARKET

St. Andrew United Church of Christ 2608 Browns Lane

The **St. Andrew Farmers' Market** opened for its 8th season on **May 11** and will run through **October 12**. Just like last year, **the market will be open 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm every Thursday, rain or shine.**

What you eat matters – to your health, to the local economy, to the planet.

The Kentucky Department of Agriculture compiles a list each year of farmers' markets in the state. For more information on the markets, go to

www.kyagr.com/marketing/farmermarket/index.htm.



BRANCHING OUT

(A Testimonial)

"Many thanks to our St. Regis Park Tree Board: Mary Mattingly, Jane Ecker and Joe Hinkle. We are blessed to have such people of vision in our community.

My husband and I are thrilled with the two trees we received in the past year through the tree board. After losing a huge old maple in our backyard, we no longer enjoyed shade on our screened porch or patio area. Having lived in our home for almost forty years, we were well aware of the difference trees made in the aesthetics as well as the comfort of our home. We had purchased a replacement maple several years ago, only to have it break in summer storms just when it was getting large enough to throw shade. Thanks to the tree board, we now have a sugar maple (commemoration), which is one of the strongest of maple trees and we are looking forward to wonderful shade in a few years. In addition, this spring we received a beautiful sweet bay magnolia

to add to the landscaping near our patio. It is beautiful, with fragrant, creamy blooms all summer. Although it will be a much shorter tree, it will also eventually give some shade and we love it.

Cindi Sullivan worked with us both times to make sure we had the kind of tree that would work for us. We also had input on placement of each tree once our property was checked for gas and water lines.

With rate increases coming from LG&E, I really can't understand why everyone is not jumping at the chance to add trees to their property. It's a win, win, win situation: lower air conditioning bills, counteraction to pollution and added beauty to property."

Susan Messerschmidt

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Louisville Metro Police – 911 Emergency 574-2111 or 311 – Non-Emergency www.louisvillekv.gov

McMahan Fire District – 911 Emergency 491-4745 – Non-Emergency

2017 CITY COUNCIL

Brandt Davis, Mayor – 654-8145

MEMBERS

Talbott Allen, Mayor Pro Tem – 451-3776
Bob Graves, Newsletter Editor – 451-2047
Louie Schweickhardt, Building Permits – 639-7731
Eric Shackelford, Public Works – 299-9859
Jeff Weis, Finance – 548-0522
Frank Wheatley, Director of Marketing/IT – 452-2343
Cheryl Willett, Public Safety – 458-8386

CITY EMPLOYEES

Bill Hodapp, City Clerk/Treasurer – 671-9469 Stephen Hoard, Citation Officer – 931-7004

CITY NUMBERS

St. Regis Park City Hall – 654-8145 E-Mail – <u>stregispark@gmail.com</u> Website – <u>www.stregispark.net</u> 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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 \$300/six months

 ½ page
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 \$500/six months

 Full Page
 \$1800/year
 \$900/six months



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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.

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