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CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Citizens:

I hope this finds all of you doing well. It is hard to imagine, but it seems as though Spring is right around the corner. The City Council and I had a great January meeting, so let's dive right in.

One of the first items of business we discussed was bringing back "Light Up St. Regis Park." It was unanimous, and the Council is all in favor of doing it. If anyone has any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Council Member Talbott Allen. I would really like to see this be as big as it ever was.

Next, Bob Graves, since elected to the Council, has resigned his position as City Clerk. With the City Clerk position being available, Bill Hodapp sought to be appointed to that position. With Bill's knowledge of how the City works and his flexible schedule, it was obvious he was the right person for the job. That being said, Bill had to resign his Council position. Consequently, there is a vacancy on the City Council open to any citizen interested in applying. All interested residents are encouraged to forward a resume to the City Clerk at cityofstregispark@mcmahanfire.com. Once resumes have been received and reviewed, interviews will occur prior to the next Council Meeting on February 5, 2013. All interested applicants must submit their resumes no later than January 31, 2013.

Also, in relation to Council positions, you will see a listing of the new Council and their responsibilities (see insert). I am very excited about this list and the ability to delegate some of the responsibilities of the City. I have full confidence in the Council to handle their assignments and to make St. Regis Park an even greater city than it is today.

Finally, I would like to discuss one major project I plan on the City undertaking as the annual budget quickly approaches. This year I will encourage the Council to update our road signs and poles. As I have driven around the City, I have noticed many of our signs have become faded or are leaning. Not only for

the safety of our citizens but for the aesthetic appeal as well, I plan to have every single road sign and pole (not the street signs we just had painted) replaced this year. We would like to see the City have a clean, updated look that is uniform.

As always, if anyone has any other ideas or suggestions on how we can continue to improve as a city, please let me know. Thanks for the opportunity to serve as your Mayor!

Sincerely,

Brandt Davis, Mayor

IMPORTANT DATES

- February 5 - CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- February 5 - RECYCLING PICKUP
- February 9 - A TASTE OF ASCENSION
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
6:30 – 9:00 PM Food & Drink Tasting
9:00 – 11:30 PM Music & Dancing
\$30 in advance; \$35 after February 4
- February 19 - RECYCLING PICKUP
Yard waste pickup resumes on March 5, 2013

UNPAID PROPERTY TAX

- 2514 Foxy Poise Road
 - 4305 Dannywood Road
 - 4308 Lincoln Road
 - 2821 Milburn Avenue
 - 2803 Saddle Horn Drive
 - 4304 St. Regis Lane
 - 4404 St. Regis Lane
 - 4310 St. Regis Lane
 - 2808 Woodmont Drive
- As of January 2, 2013

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

Tuesday, January 8, 2013

Following are the Minutes of the monthly Council meeting for the City of St. Regis Park held at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 8, 2013, at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

Mayor Brandt Davis called the meeting to order.

Mr. Louie Schweickhardt made a motion to accept the resignation Bob Graves previously submitted as City Clerk/Treasurer. Ms. Cheryl Willett seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Mr. Graves made a motion to nominate Bill Hodapp to fill the position of City Clerk/Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Talbott Allen. The motion passed without dissent.

Mr. Hodapp then submitted to Mayor Davis his written resignation as a Council Member.

Mr. Schweickhardt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Graves, to accept Mr. Hodapp's resignation and to appoint Mr. Hodapp as the City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of St. Regis Park. Mr. Allen was opposed. The motion carried.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Davis, Aldridge, Allen, Graves, Hodapp, Schweickhardt, Willett.
Absent: Walsh.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

In Mr. Jim Walsh's absence, the City's accountant, Mr. Charlie Veeneman, presented the Financial Report. Mr. Veeneman reported General Fund revenues were ahead of budget. Total revenues for the six months ending December 31, 2012 were \$315,159.02, while revenues budgeted for the entire year ending June 30, 2013 had been projected at \$329,741.00. Overall the situation looks good with revenues exceeding expectations. On the other hand, expenses were exceeding the amount budgeted. Through December 31, 2012, total expenses for the General Fund were \$162,726.12, with expenses for the year being budgeted at \$272,198.00. Mr. Veeneman indicated an adjustment would be made. The actual General Fund balance as of December 31, 2012 was \$645,971.78.

Revenues for the Road Fund were also exceeding budget expectations. For the six months ending December 31,

2012, total revenues were \$19,388.41 as opposed to \$29,000.00 being budgeted for the year ending June 30, 2013. The Road Fund balance as of December 31, 2012 was positive, \$5,655.53. The Financial Report reflected the City's total assets as of December 31, 2012 to be \$674,330.91. Complete financials have been posted for review on the City's website, www.stregispark.net.

Mayor Davis asked Mr. Veeneman and the City Attorney, Mr. John Singler, when the budget process should begin for the coming fiscal year. Both indicated the preliminary tax rolls would come from the office of the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator (PVA) sometime in March or April. Budget formulation would then proceed accordingly.

Mr. Allen made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented. Ms. Willett seconded the motion. 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 December 4, 2012. The motion was seconded by Mr. Allen and passed without dissent.

POLICE REPORT:

The Small City Activity Sheet will be printed elsewhere in the newsletter. LMPD Officer Cliff Roberts was present representing Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE). Officer Roberts informed the Council of several recent occurrences to include an alleged meth house in the Brookhaven Neighborhood and a criminal mischief complaint on St. Regis Lane. School has resumed following the holiday break and traffic in St. Regis Park has increased accordingly. Citations being written are primarily for speeding and disregarding stop signs.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Although City Engineer Mel Milburn was unable to attend the meeting, he had earlier provided his report to Mayor Davis. According to Mr. Milburn, the contractor is to complete the spauled sidewalk repairs within the week. Mr. Milburn also advised if the present contractor is unable to complete the project in a timely manner, another contractor will be sought.

CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mr. Andrew Amon reported 56 miles were patrolled during the month of December. Nine Hi Neighbor notices were issued, the majority to residents who had failed to clean up their leaves. According to Mr. Amon, virtually all who had received such notices willingly complied.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Singler advised of a foreclosure in St. Regis Park. He had answered the lawsuit on behalf of the City. Since

The City has "No Parking" signs available for use by residents who host large gatherings. Residents may call City Clerk Bill Hodapp at 491-7777 for information regarding the use of these signs.

St. Regis Park has a priority position, the City will receive the money it is owed. Mr. Singler also offered a Second Reading of Ordinance No. 5, Series 2012-2013, "Hiring and Paying Contractors." Ms. Willett made a motion to adopt the Ordinance as read. Mr. Bob Aldridge seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. All five Council Members present – Aldridge, Allen, Graves, Schweickhardt, and Willett – voted to adopt the Ordinance. Since Mr. Hodapp had earlier been appointed City Clerk/Treasurer, he did not have a vote.

COUNCIL MEMBERS’S REPORTS:

Mr. Schweickhardt reported a building permit had been issued for a porch on Statton Road. An extended discussion ensued regarding what constituted the frontal property line. Mr. Schweickhardt had researched the applicable St. Regis Park and Metro Louisville ordinances to insure compliance. An open porch can extend ten feet beyond the front wall property line of the structure but cannot be enclosed. Enclosing such an addition would have the effect of extending the front wall property line. Mr. Schweickhardt also reported two more property owners have provided Rental Property Information Forms and paid the appropriate fees.

Ms. Willett advised the Holiday Social held on December 9 at St. Andrew Church was a success. Attendance was good and she had received a number of positive comments. Mr. Hodapp stated Ms. Willett should be commended for a job well done.

Mr. Allen said he was excited the Council had decided to bring back "Light Up St. Regis Park." In years past the

event had been the highlight of the community. Planning the event would begin well in advance. There was also discussion of a possible walk/run in the City, perhaps in conjunction with The Church of the Ascension.

Mr. Graves reported the City’s website, with the assistance of the City’s IT Director, Mr. Frank Wheatley, was being updated. Previously an email had been sent to all Council Members requesting they either provide a brief biography or update their existing biography. Mr. Allen was the only respondent. Mayor Davis directed that the requested biographies be provided to Mr. Graves no later than the close of business on Friday, January 11. Mr. Graves advised Mr. Wheatley would take photographs of the Council Members following the meeting for posting to the website.

Mr. Hodapp stated that although Ms. Willett would be taking over the responsibilities of Public Safety, he would assist her in respect to transporting the radar speed sign and storing the "No Parking" signs. Mr. Hodapp also advised the radar speed sign had been vandalized and would need to be repaired. He will determine the costs to make the necessary repairs. Mr. Graves inquired as to the possibility of painting a white reflective stripe on the roadways in conjunction with stop signs. Several Council Members advised this had been discussed in the past and it had been determined that course of action was not cost effective.

Mr. Aldridge advised the Metro Building Code and Land Development Code were word searchable on line. Mr. Aldridge pledged to insure compliance with the applicable



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 Frank Wheatley
 If anyone has any questions/
 suggestions for the website
 please let him know!
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codes and the St. Regis Park ordinances.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Davis advised funds had not yet been received from Louisville Metro Government for the previously approved Neighborhood Development Funds (NDF) Grants, however, the City has met all requirements and those monies should be available shortly.

Mr. Graves advised of 610 properties in St. Regis Park, 600 property tax bills for 2012 have been paid as of January 2, 2013. Revenues received to date total \$142,568.12. The addresses of those who have not yet paid will be printed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Mr. Graves also advised the earlier sidewalk repair billings have thus far generated \$5,656.79. Seven property owners have not yet paid the assessment. The amount owed is \$487.98. Mayor Davis stated he would prepare another "Past Due" invoice for each property. Those would be given to the City Attorney who would send an appropriate letter with the applicable invoice.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Davis outlined the various Council Member assignments and their applicable responsibilities. Those assignments/responsibilities will be published in their entirety in the newsletter and posted on both the City's website and Facebook page. In short, those assignments are as follows:

- Building Permits – Bob Aldridge
- Special Events – Talbott Allen
- Communications Facilitator – Bob Graves
- Public Works – Louie Schweickhardt
- Finance – Jim Walsh
- Public Safety – Cheryl Willett
- Director of Marketing – (Vacant)

With Mr. Hodapp's resignation, a vacancy now exists on the Council. St. Regis Park Ordinance No. 4, Series 2012-1013 "Regarding Vacancies on the City Council" states in part that any vacant position be advertised. Therefore, any resident of St. Regis Park who is a registered voter and has lived in the City for at least one year may submit a resume to the City office. The resume may be submitted by either email (cityofstregispark@mcmahanfire.com) or by first class mail as follows:

City Clerk
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Post Office Box 20429
Louisville, Kentucky 40250-0429

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requirements are met. Interviews will be conducted on the date of the next regular Council Meeting – Tuesday, February 5, 2013. After interviewing all qualified candidates, the Council will make a recommendation to fill the vacancy. The position will be filled by majority vote. This notice will also be published elsewhere in the newsletter and will also be posted on the City's website and Facebook page.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Martin Buckminster of Aintree Way introduced himself. He grew up in the St. Regis Park area and returned several years ago. Mr. Buckminster stated he would like to become involved and would be applying for the vacant Council seat.

Mr. Frank Wheatley of Dannywood Road introduced himself. Mr. Wheatley has served as the City's IT Director for quite some time in a volunteer status. Mr. Wheatley outlined his qualifications and his family ties to the City of St. Regis Park. He too would be applying for the vacant Council position.

Mr. Bill Holton of Dannywood Road was also in attendance but elected not to make any comments.

ADJOURN:

Mayor Davis advised there being no further business, he would entertain a motion to adjourn. Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Schweickhardt. The motion passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Submitted by Bob Graves, Council Member

(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 2013

<u>Name</u>	<u>Meetings Held</u>	<u>Meetings Attended</u>	<u>YTD%</u>
Brandt Davis	1	1	100%
Bob Aldridge	1	1	100%
Talbott Allen	1	1	100%
Bob Graves	1	1	100%
Bill Hodapp	1	1	100%
Louie Schweickhardt	1	1	100%
Jim Walsh	1	0	0%
Cheryl Willett	1	1	100%

CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

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COUNCIL MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

BOB ALDRIDGE -- BUILDING PERMITS – 290-8230

- Responsible for issuing building permits for the City of St. Regis Park
- Maintain and enforce the City's Rental Property Ordinance, issuing Rental Property Information forms, as appropriate
- Responsible for property maintenance and ordinance issues in conjunction with the City's Citation Officer
- Oversee the possible creation of a St. Regis Park Code Enforcement Board

TALBOTT ALLEN -- SPECIAL EVENTS -- 451-3776

- Coordinate yard sales and organize the City's annual yard sale, including advertising
- Oversee the City's annual Easter Egg Hunt
- Reestablish Light Up St. Regis Park
- Organize a St. Regis Park 60th Anniversary Celebration
- Possibly organize what could become an annual parade for the children of St. Regis Park
- Possibly organize what could become an annual 5K run, working in conjunction with the Director of Marketing

BOB GRAVES -- COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR -- 451-2047

- Responsible for all areas of the City's monthly newsletter with the exception of the Mayor's comments to residents
- Oversee the City's Facebook page and website to insure relevant and current content

LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT -- PUBLIC WORKS -- 442-5922

- Responsible for overseeing sanitation and snow removal services
- Oversee curb painting (yellow curbs and addresses) and recommend fire hydrant painting, as necessary
- Coordinate with the City Engineer on public projects, i.e. sidewalk and road maintenance, drainage issues
- Responsible for the maintenance and installation of all regulatory and identification signs including the repair/replacement of damaged/defaced signs
- Oversee the changing of the City's banners, both St. Regis Park and seasonal banners
- Coordinate the garland decorations for the City's streetlights during the Christmas season
- Oversee the maintenance of the Hedgerow Court island and landscaping at Browns Lane/Lowe Road possibly planting boxwoods instead of ornamental grasses
- Survey St. Regis Park residents to determine the

interest in pursuing the development of the Bullitt properties on Saddle Horn Court into a City park, possibly with soccer fields, a track, a playground, etc.

- Oversee the distribution and placing of American flags for the 4th of July
- Oversee a possible tree planting campaign
- Develop an Emergency Storm Services Plan to assist in the removal of storm debris, road clearing, etc.
- Responsible for all other service calls within the City

JIM WALSH -- FINANCE --452-6515

- Review and explain, as necessary, the City's monthly financial reports
- Assist with the preparation of the City's annual budget
- Coordinate the annual audit with the City's accountant and auditor

CHERYL WILLETT -- PUBLIC SAFETY -- 458-8386

- Oversee the duties and performance of Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (the City's contracted police services), monitoring reports and communications with officers
- Distribute "NO PARKING" signs to residents upon request, working in conjunction with Bill Hodapp
- Coordinate the location of the radar speed sign throughout the City
- Oversee the City's Blockwatch program including the transmission of appropriate e-mail alerts
- Assist with emergency storm services through the use of e-mails and phone trees

(VACANT) -- DIRECTOR OF MARKETING

- Oversee and solicit increased advertising for the City's monthly newsletter
- Coordinate with local businesses, churches, hospitals, and organizations to insure their Human Resources departments or memberships are good referral sources for potential home buyers in St. Regis Park
- Work with local businesses and organizations to develop possible discounts for St. Regis Park citizens (i.e. Milestone Wellness Center, Oxmoor Country Club, Ascension School tuition, etc.)
- Assist in the organization of a possible 4th of July parade or annual 5K run



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 Brandt Davis, Mayor – 297-2820

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Bob Aldridge, Building Permits – 290-8230
 Talbott Allen, Special Events – 451-3776
 Bob Graves, Communications Facilitator – 451-2047
 Louie Schweickhardt, Public Works – 442-5922
 Jim Walsh, Finance – 452-6515
 Cheryl Willett, Public Safety – 458-8386
 (Vacant), Director of Marketing
 Bill Hodapp, City Clerk/Treasurer – 671-9496
 Andrew Amon, Citation Officer – 451-6360

City Numbers

St. Regis Park City Hall – 491-7777
 499-5501 (Fax)
 E-Mail – cityofstregispark@mcmahanfire.com
 Website – www.stregisark.net
 McMahan Fire District – 911 Emergency
 491-4745 – Non-Emergency
 Rumpke Waste Removal – 568-3800

St. Regis Park Council Meetings

Council meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month,
 7:30 P.M., at the McMahan Fire Station

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Volunteer

Frank Wheatley, IT Director – E-Mail – frank@wheatley.net

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Business ad space is available in the newsletter.
 Please contact the City office at 491-7777 if you
 are interested in placing an ad. Ads must be camera
 ready and be sent electronically. The rate schedule is
 as follows:

1/8th page	\$300/year	\$150/six months
1/4th page	\$600/year	\$300/six months
½ page	\$1000/year	\$500/six months
Full Page	\$1800/year	\$900/six months



**The McMahan Fire
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 of Directors** meets the
 second Tuesday of each
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 the fire station, 4318
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