



CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK

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Dear Fellow Residents:

Warmer weather, kids out of school and longer days all remind us summer is on its way. Summer is a great time in our City, a time to simply sit outside and enjoy living in St. Regis Park.

Speaking of summer, we want to make sure that all residents, especially new ones, know about the **Upper Highlands Swim Club**, 2413 Parkdale Avenue (502/459-7371). It is a member-owned and operated pool, a very nice facility with diving boards, baby pool, sand volleyball, and a snack bar. They have family days, movie nights, adult nights and other activities. They also have a swim team. For more information on membership dues, etc., please contact **Kirk and Ann Berry at 502/649-7042** or **Jack and Mary Bilyeu at 502/645-3344** or visit **Upper Highlands Swim Club on Facebook**. It really is a tremendous asset to St. Regis Park, and I consider it a privilege to basically live in a City that has our very own neighborhood pool.

The City's initial **Arbor Day Celebration** was a success particularly considering the inclement weather that day. Planned outside activities were moved inside Ascension's Cafeteria. **Cindi Sullivan**, the City's Consulting Arborist, gave a presentation of the findings of the Tree Survey conducted last summer, and the smaller crowd enabled residents to engage Cindi in one-on-one discussions regarding their individual concerns. A number of trees were distributed to those attending. I anticipate this celebration will continue to grow year after year as we continue to **"Re-Tree the Park"** under the guidance of the Tree Board.

For the most part, the residents of our City do a great job maintaining the general appearance of St. Regis Park. However, have you ever seen a neighbor or lawn care company blow grass clippings out into the middle of the street or leave them on the sidewalk as if they were going to magically disappear? I can't begin to tell you how many residents I've talked to over the years that watch from inside their house when a neighbor or lawn care company is doing that across the street or next door. You may think no one is watching you but they are.

Not only does blowing grass clippings into the street or leaving them on sidewalks and curbs create eyesores detracting from the appearance of our City, they are detrimental to public safety as well as the health and general welfare of our community. When grass clippings and other debris wash down into the storm drains during rains, they can clog drainage systems and cause local flooding. Picked up by storm water runoff, they are carried directly to our streams, and according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), grass clippings contain phosphorus, one of the most troublesome pollutants considered as the primary cause of water quality problems.

If there are grass clippings on the street, sidewalk, or curb, use a broom or leaf blower to blow them back on the lawn. Do not use a hose to wash them into the street or storm drains. Be a good neighbor. Grass clippings – bag them or recycle them -- just don't blow them away.

I've also been asked by residents who to contact if they have a problem not directly related to or covered by the City of St. Regis Park. If you need help with such a service, I encourage

you to contact **Metro Louisville's 311 City Call Center**. Call **3-1-1** if you need a service and help with: **animals or insects; business concerns; drainage and flooding; MSD issues; parks and trails; property maintenance outside St. Regis Park; sewer related issues; other non-emergency issues**. The status of your request is recorded under a tracking number and routed to the appropriate agency. You need to know the tracking number to ask about a previous request. **Metrocall 3-1-1 is available Monday through Friday, 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.**

Non-emergency issues within St. Regis Park include: building and construction; garbage and recycling; property maintenance; streets and sidewalks. For complaints about our City's services or a lack of service, contact the St. Regis Park City Hall at 491-7777.

One final point. There have been a number of inquiries regarding yard waste collections and the use of **"approved containers."** Metro Louisville's statutory language listed the following: **"a reusable bin clearly labeled "Yard Waste," paper yard waste bags, or compostable plastic bags meeting D6400 standards."** Last month's newsletter indicated "Yard Waste" stickers could be obtained from Rumpke Waste Removal. We have since been informed those stickers are no longer available. However, if your yard waste is in a container and the driver can clearly determine it is yard waste, it will be collected. In addition, Rumpke offers a large yard waste rolling trash cart for lease. This is similar to the 96 gallon brown garbage can Rumpke provides and is the same dark green color as the recycling carts. These **yard waste rolling trash carts** are three times the size of a traditional garbage can, have wheels for easy mobility, a lid to keep waste in and animals out and can handle yard waste up to 200 pounds. They are **leased** to residents at a \$3.50 monthly rental fee. If interested, phone **Rumpke's Customer Service at 568-3800** for additional information.

Remember, the City of St. Regis Park is a great place to live! Only together can we make it even better!

Sincerely,

Brandt Davis, Mayor

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE 2	CITY COUNCIL MEETING (MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)
JUNE 9	RECYCLING PICKUP
JUNE 14	FLAG DAY ARMY DAY
JUNE 21	FATHER'S DAY FIRST DAY OF SUMMER
JUNE 23	RECYCLING PICKUP

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
May 5, 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, May 5, 2015 at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: Talbott Allen, Bob Graves, Stephen Hoard, Louie Schweickhardt, Eric Shackelford, Frank Wheatley, Cheryl Willett.
Absent: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Charlie Veeneman, City Accountant, presented the Financial Report for April 2015. The General Fund revenues for the month were \$4,795.82 with year-to-date revenues at \$348,261.07. Total expenses for the month were \$19,516.97 with year-to-date expenses at \$240,965.02 resulting in year-to-date excess revenue over expenses of \$107,296.05.

The Road Fund revenues for the month were \$2,432.64 with year-to-date revenues at \$28,918.93. Total expenses for the month were \$0 with year-to-date expenses at \$19,335.00, resulting in year-to-date excess revenue of \$9,583.93.

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

The Council was advised a \$100,000.00 Certificate of Deposit (CD) was called and the principal and interest balance was placed in the Fifth Third cash account. Mr. Graves made a motion to purchase two \$50,000.00 CD's based on recommendations from the Fifth Third investment broker and in accordance with the City Investment Policy. Mr. Schweickhardt seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

In accordance with the 2013-2014 Financial Audit Report, \$34,960.61 will be transferred from the General Fund account to the Road Fund account.

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

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

Mr. Graves made a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular Council Meeting held on April 7, 2015. Ms. Willett seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

POLICE REPORT:

Officer Travis Nichols of the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) and representing Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE) was present but had no report. Mr. Graves requested that the KLE monthly activity report be forwarded to the City in a more timely fashion. Ms. Willett will contact Mr. Aubrey at KLE. The Small City Activity Report for April will be published in the monthly newsletter.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: MEL MILBURN (Absent)

Mr. Milburn is still in the process of obtaining bids to repair the City sidewalks and paint the curbing.

CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: KENNY BETTS

Mr. Betts patrolled 128 miles and issued twenty (20) Hi-Neighbor Notices and two (2) Notices of Violation.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: JOHN SINGLER (Absent)

Mr. James G. Hodge was present representing Mr. Singler and introduced the following 1st Readings of the referenced ordinances:

- Ordinance 4, Series 2014-2015 Budget Amendment – Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of the Ordinance. Mr. Schweickhardt seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.
- Ordinance 1, Series 2015-2016 Ad Valorem and Sanitation Tax – Mr. Hoard made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of the Ordinance. Mr. Wheatley seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.
- Ordinance 2, Series 2015-2016 Budget – Mr. Graves made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of the Ordinance. Mr. Wheatley seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

PUBLIC WORKS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT

Mr. Schweickhardt inspected the City street signs and made minor cosmetic repairs.

SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN

The annual City Ice Cream Social and Yard Sale will be held this year, and more information will be delivered at the June meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT

No Report.

BUILDING PERMITS: STEPHEN HOARD

Two permits were issued: a garage at 2601 Aintree Way and a shed at 4406 St. Regis Lane.

MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY

No Report.

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.

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES

The City is considering offering website advertising. More information will be delivered at a future meeting.

FINANCE: ERIC SHACKELFORD

Mr. Shackelford will schedule a City-wide CPR class in June 2015.

TREE BOARD:

Ms. Jane Ecker was present and updated the Council on the Arbor Day celebration and the tree planting project. The current tree planting project has been delayed due to wet weather and nursery scheduling.

CITIZEN PARTICPATION:

Mr. Brandon Murrell of 2500 Aintree Way was present and needed information to obtain a variance to install a fence on his property. Mr. Hoard will work with Mr. Murrell on the project.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

The City will obtain the letter of engagement from John McIntyre, CPA, for the 2014-2015 Financial Audit.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, Mr. Hoard made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 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	5	5	100%
Talbott Allen	5	4	80%
Bob Graves	5	4	80%
Stephen Hoard	5	5	100%
Louie Schweickhardt	5	4	80%
Eric Shackelford	5	3	60%
Frank Wheatley	5	4	80%
Cheryl Willett	5	5	100%



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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 6th season on May 7 and will run through October 15. 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

Rain didn't dampen our spirits as St. Regis Park held its first Arbor Day celebration on Saturday, April 25th. The 30 plus residents in attendance heard a presentation by Cindi Sullivan, our City Arborist, who gave an overview of the Tree Survey she conducted last summer. A map of St. Regis Park indicating the position of trees in front and visible side yards on individual pieces of property was available for viewing. Cindi also answered a number of questions posed by residents. As part of the celebration a drawing was held for a professionally planted crepe myrtle which was won by Bud Campbell, 4515 Statton Road. In addition, free small trees donated by UPS were available to those in attendance.

Soon you will see green watering bags and yellow tags showing up on the 13 trees donated and planted by Wallitsch last fall, the tree donated by the Kentucky League of Cities, and the 30 trees purchased by St. Regis Park scheduled for planting this spring. The bags are being given to homeowners to ensure the new trees get the proper amount of water.

The yellow tags on the trees will identify them by their common names--helping all of us to identify our new trees!

By the end of this spring the Tree Board will have overseen the planting of 44 trees. **We will continue to "Re-Tree the Park" this fall and next spring.** The St. Regis Park City Council has approved the purchase of 60 more trees which will be professionally planted and mulched at no cost to residents. **To apply for one of these trees either email Mary Mattingly at msmattingly@outlook.com or call City Hall at 491-7777 and give your name, address, phone number and email address.** Get your name on the list now to insure that you receive one of these trees, and **HELP US TO RE-TREE THE PARK!**

INFORMATION TO IMPROVE HOMEOWNERSHIP

Basic Legal Documents

Many times we may feel "bullet-proof" and don't consider the urgency to get involved or spend the money to take care of certain legal aspects of our lives because we think we're going to live forever. Unfortunately, none of us are guaranteed longevity of life. To be in control of who gets what and who is in charge based on an untimely incapacitation or death, it is important to investigate these basic documents:

WILL – This is a legal instrument that specifies your desires to care for your minor children and to distribute your personal property after you die and who will manage the process. Anyone who has property and minor children needs a will.

LIVING WILL – This legal instrument specifies your intentions regarding end of life decisions or to designate an individual to make those decisions on your behalf. Many times a person who has been diagnosed with a terminal condition or who is facing a serious surgery or hospitalization might feel a sense of urgency to have this document.

POWER OF ATTORNEY – This document allows you to appoint someone you trust, not necessarily an attorney, to handle important legal and financial matters for you if you are unable to make those decisions for yourself. The time limit can be for a specified period of time or indefinitely.

TRUST – This arrangement involves an entity called a Trustee who takes control and manages property for someone else's

benefit called a beneficiary. When property is placed in a trust, the trust becomes the owner of the property. There are different types of trusts, and a qualified advisor can explain and recommend which type would be the best suited for your situation.

HIPPA RELEASE FORM – The Health Insurance and Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) was created by Congress to protect the privacy of a person's health information. Health care providers are prohibited from discussing any aspect of your medical information with anyone who is not directly involved in your care. To allow friends or family who do not have legal responsibility for you to have access to this information, this release form is necessary.

Most of the issues affecting the above types of documents are determined by state law. Since they are legal documents, it is recommended that you seek sound financial and legal advice.

Make certain you know the TRUE VALUE of your home before you list it for sale. Consult a professional.

PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER

THUNDERSTORMS & LIGHTNING SAFETY

Watch for developing thunderstorms. Although thunderstorms are most likely to occur on spring or summer days, they can occur year round. As the sun heats the air, pockets of warmer air start to rise and cumulus clouds form. Continued heating can cause these clouds to grow vertically into towering cumulus clouds, often the first sign of a developing thunderstorm. In fact, summertime is actually the peak season for one of the nation's deadliest phenomena – lightning. The United States has a 10-year average of 44 fatalities annually due to lightning strikes according to the National Weather Service.

Seek shelter before an approaching thunderstorm. Lightning can strike as far as 10 miles away from where it is raining. That is about the distance you can hear thunder. If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance. Seek shelter immediately! **WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS!**

Minimize the risk of being struck during outdoor activities. Most lightning deaths and injuries occur in the summer. During organized outdoor sporting events, coaches, camp counselors and other adults must stop activities at the first clap of thunder to ensure that everyone has time to get to a large building or an enclosed vehicle. Leaders of outdoor events should have a written emergency plan that all staff are aware of and enforce.

Things to avoid while indoors. While inside, stay off land lines or corded phones, computers and other electrical equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity. Stay away from indoor and outdoor pools, bathtubs, showers, and other plumbing. Buy surge suppressors for key equipment. Install ground fault protectors on circuits near water or outdoors. When inside, wait 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder and lightning before going out again.

Helping a lightning strike victim. If a person is struck by lightning, call 911 and get medical care immediately. Cardiac arrest and irregularities, burns and nerve damage are common injuries when people are struck by lightning. You are not in physical danger when helping a lightning victim. Knowing first aid measures, which include cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), can help lightning strike victims survive. American Red Cross chapters and

local fire departments often offer first aid and CPR classes.

Lightning is dangerous. By knowing what to do during severe weather incidents, you can greatly increase your safety and the safety of those around you. At the first clap of thunder, go inside a preferably large building or fully enclosed vehicle and wait 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder and lightning before going back outside. Remember: **WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS!**

STAY ALERT! REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OR CALL 911. SEE SOMETHING –SAY SOMETHING!





Small City Activity Sheet

City: **St. Regis Park**

Month/Year: **April 2015**

Traffic Stops: DSS Speeding RD Other Arrests Warnings
Location:

Woodmont/Lincoln	3	1				2
Lynnbrook/Aintree		2				2
Foxy Poise/Lynnbrook	1	2		1		1
Woodmont/Mt. Vernon	1					1
Dannywood/Browns		5		2		
Browns/Lincoln		3		1		
4600 Block Lincoln	1	1				1
Browns/Brookhaven		1				1
Rockwood						
Dannywood/Woodmont		1				1
Statton/Woodmont	1					
Woodmont/St Regis	1					
St Regis Ln		4				3
Browns/Lowe				3	1	
Mt. Vernon						
Total:	8	20	0	7	1	12
YTD Total:	43	81	4	24	4	59
Resident:	4	5				6
Non-Resident:	4	15		7	1	6
YTD- Resident	24	17	0	7	0	40
YTD-Non-Resident	19	64	4	17	5	19

Suspicious person/vehicles/other activity:

Suspicious Vehicle -
Stranded Motorist -
Council Meeting - 1

911 Call -
Suspicious Person -
Foot Patrol -
Resident Contact - 2

Towed Vehicle -
Officer Assist - 4
Business Check - 28
Burglar Alarm -

House Watches:

St. Regis Lane -
Stormon -
Cambridge -
Others -

Lincoln - 2
Foxy Poise -
Lowe -
Saddle Horn -

Mt. Vernon -
Woodward -
Aintree -
Browns -

Lynnbrook -
Saddle Ct -
Ashfield -
Dannywood -



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491-4745 – Non-Emergency

2015 CITY COUNCIL

Brandt Davis, Mayor – 491-7777

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 – 491-7777
499-5501 (Fax)
E-Mail – cityofstregispark@mcmahanfire.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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