



Volume 18

# CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK

## NEWSLETTER

### September 2016



Number 9

Dear Fellow Residents:

Once again, a wonderful summer in St. Regis Park is coming to an end. The kids have returned to school, the Kentucky State Fair is about to begin, and football season is upon us. Soon the air will hopefully become a little cooler, the grass won't grow as much, and the leaves will begin to change colors. Yes, **September 22** will officially be the **first day of autumn**. A number of important events will be fast approaching in the next few months.

**Monday, September 5**, is **Labor Day**, the holiday honoring the American labor movement and the contributions that 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**.

The following weekend, on **Saturday, September 10**, the City of St. Regis Park will host its **Annual City-Wide Yard Sale**. The yard sale will officially begin at 8:00 am and will conclude at a time determined by participants. There will be extra police patrols to assist in traffic control. Residents are encouraged to park in their own driveways enabling visitors to park on the streets. **There will be NO PARKING on the sides of the streets where fire hydrants are located. Police patrols will ticket those vehicles that do not comply.**

No doubt we are all aware this year's **General Election** will be on **Tuesday, November 8**. This will be both an exciting and important election for our nation, state and City. We will elect a new President of the United States. For Kentucky, we vote for the position of United States Senator. **For the City of St. Regis Park, all seven (7) City Council seats will be on the ballot.** To determine if you are registered to vote, where you vote, or to obtain a sample ballot, contact the Jefferson County Clerk's Office.

Finally, as a further reminder, **the City of St. Regis Park tax bills** for 2016-2017 were **mailed** to all property owners on **July 30**. **If you did not receive your tax bill, please contact the St. Regis Park City Hall at 654-8145.** If your tax and sanitation bills are paid from an escrow account, it is your responsibility to forward the information to your financial institution.

***The City of St. Regis Park is a great place to live! Together, we can make it even better!***

Sincerely,

*Brandt Davis*, Mayor

### IMPORTANT DATES

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| SEPTEMBER 5  | LABOR DAY  |
| SEPTEMBER 6  | CITY COUNCIL MEETING<br>(MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)    |
| SEPTEMBER 10 | CITY-WIDE YARD SALE<br>(8:00 AM - ?)                         |
| SEPTEMBER 11 | PATRIOT DAY<br><br>GRANPARENTS' DAY                          |
| SEPTEMBER 13 | RECYCLING PICKUP   |
| SEPTEMBER 16 | AIR FORCE DAY<br>CONSTITUTION DAY<br>POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY |
| SEPTEMBER 22 | FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN  |
| SEPTEMBER 25 | GOLD STAR MOTHER'S DAY                                       |
| SEPTEMBER 27 | RECYCLING PICKUP   |

**CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR**  
**MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**August 2, 2016**

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 2, 2016 at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: Bob Graves, Stephen Hoard, Louie Schweickhardt, Frank Wheatley, and Cheryl Willett.

Absent: Council Members: Talbott Allen and Eric Shackelford.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

No Report.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Mr. Charlie Veeneman, City Accountant, presented the Financial Report for July 2016. General Fund revenues for the month were \$8,744.56 with year-to-date revenues at \$8,744.56. Total expenses for the month were \$30,684.90 with year-to-date expenses at \$30,684.90 resulting in year-to-date revenues over expenses of \$(21,940.34).

Road Fund revenues for the month were \$2,660.07 with year-to-date revenues at \$2,660.07. Total expenses were \$0 with year-to-date expenses at \$0, resulting in year-to-date excess revenues of \$2,660.07.

Ms. Willett made a motion to approve the July 2016 Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheatley. It passed without dissent.

Mr. Hodapp will review the opening of a money market account at River City Bank for the Road Fund revenues.

Mr. Veeneman will continue to report monthly on a cash basis versus an accrual basis.

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Graves made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 5, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schweickhardt, and it passed without dissent.

**POLICE REPORT:**

The Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE) Small City Activity Report for the month of July will be published in the September newsletter.

**CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: MEL MILBURN (Absent)**

Mr. Graves reported he had been contacted by a resident regarding a clogged storm drain in the vicinity of 4308 Saint Regis Lane. He relayed the information to Mr. Milburn and Mr. Schweickhardt. Mr. Milburn personally inspected the site but could find no visible obstruction. Mr. Milburn will contact MSD to request a camera be sent down the pipe to determine the location of the apparent blockage so appropriate corrective action can be taken.

**CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: KENNY BETTS**

In July, Mr. Betts patrolled 112 miles, issued 11 Hi-Neighbor notices, received 14 complaints and conducted 8 house visits/communications. Mr. Betts stated that Louisville Metro Animal Control has addressed reports of aggressive dogs on Lincoln Road and has been notified of possible stray animals in the City.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: JOHN SINGLER**

No Report.

**PUBLIC WORKS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT**

The contract to paint the addresses and curbs has been awarded to the Bluegrass Group Old addresses throughout the City have been power-washed in preparation of new painting. The project should be completed within the next 60 days.

Mr. Schweickhardt and Mr. Joe Mudd of Hedgerow Court have contacted the State Highway Department regarding the high grass, rodents and snakes seen around the sound barrier wall behind the residences on Stormon and Hedgerow Courts. Requests have been made to have the areas between the sound barrier and the wooden privacy fence cleared of overgrowth and debris. Although the State informed them the City of St. Regis Park was "on the list," further follow-up may be necessary.

**SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN (Absent)**

The annual St. Regis Park City-Wide Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2016, 8:00 a.m. to conclusion. The advertising flier will again be printed in the September newsletter.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT**

Ms. Willett will coordinate with Kentuckiana Law Enforcement

**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.**

to insure additional patrols are on hand for traffic control during the Yard Sale. Mr. Schweickhardt has sufficient “No Parking” signs on hand for the event. On Thursday evening, September 8, those signs will be posted on the sides of streets where fire hydrants are located. Police patrols will ticket those vehicles who do not comply.

**BUILDING PERMITS: STEPHEN HOARD**

No Report.

**MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY**

No Report.

**COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES**

No Report.

**FINANCE: ERIC SHACKELFORD (Absent)**

No Report.

**TREE BOARD:**

Ms. Jane Ecker of the Tree Board and Ms. Cindi Sullivan, Consulting City Arborist, discussed the following;

To date, the City of St. Regis Park has planted 100 trees, and there are 14 residences on the waiting list for the fall tree planting.

Eighteen addresses have been approved for work to be performed in accordance with the City’s Maintenance Reimbursement Program. The Tree Board requested the maintenance program not be limited to front and side yards and be extended to back yards. The Council had no objection provided funding did not exceed the amount budgeted for the current fiscal year.

Three residences have completed appropriate paperwork for back yard tree work. Further information will be provided in the “Branching Out” column in the September newsletter.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Rick Hines of Dannywood Road and Mr. Bob Feger of Lincoln Road attended the meeting but had no comments.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Council Members were reminded the filing deadline is Tuesday, August 9, no later than 4:00 p.m. All seven City Council seats will be on the ballot (there is no Mayoral election until 2018). The General Election is Tuesday, November 8.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, Mr. Hoard made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheatley, and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Submitted by Bill Hodapp, City Clerk

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

Approved:

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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.

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# COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING ATTENDANCE 2016

| Name                | Meetings Held | Meetings Attended | YTD% |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|------|
| Brandt Davis        | 8             | 6                 | 75%  |
| Talbott Allen       | 8             | 4                 | 50%  |
| Bob Graves          | 8             | 7                 | 88%  |
| Stephen Hoard       | 8             | 7                 | 88%  |
| Louie Schweickhardt | 8             | 7                 | 88%  |
| Eric Shackelford    | 8             | 6                 | 75%  |
| Frank Wheatley      | 8             | 7                 | 88%  |
| Cheryl Willett      | 8             | 8                 | 100% |

# Small City Activity Sheet



City: **St. Regis Park**

Month/Year: **July 2016**

| Traffic Stops:       | DSS       | Speeding   | RD       | Other     | Arrests  | Warnings   | Citations  |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|------------|
| Location:            |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Woodmont/Lincoln     | 3         | 2          |          |           |          | 3          | 2          |
| Lynnbrook/Aintree    |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Foxy Poise/Lynnbrook |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Woodmont/Mt. Vernon  |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Dannywood/Browns     |           | 1          |          | 3         |          |            | 4          |
| Browns/Lincoln       |           | 3          |          |           |          | 1          | 2          |
| 4600 Block Lincoln   |           | 1          |          |           |          | 1          |            |
| Browns/Brookhaven    |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Rockwood             |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| Dannywood/Woodmont   | 4         |            |          | 1         |          | 4          | 1          |
| Statton/Woodmont     | 2         |            |          | 1         |          | 1          | 2          |
| Woodmont/St Regis    |           |            |          |           |          |            |            |
| St Regis Ln          | 2         |            |          |           |          | 2          |            |
| Browns/Lowe          | 2         | 4          |          |           |          | 2          | 4          |
| Mt. Vernon           |           | 1          |          |           |          | 1          |            |
| Total:               | 13        | 12         | 0        | 5         | 0        | 15         | 15         |
| <b>YTD Total:</b>    | <b>61</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>42</b> |          | <b>101</b> | <b>106</b> |
| Resident:            | 6         | 6          |          | 1         |          | 12         | 1          |
| Non-Resident:        | 7         | 6          |          | 4         |          | 3          | 14         |
| YTD- Resident        | 31        | 36         |          | 12        |          | 72         | 5          |
| YTD-Non-Resident     | 30        | 69         | 1        | 30        |          | 29         | 101        |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>        | <b>61</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>101</b> | <b>106</b> |

## Suspicious person/vehicles/other activity:

Suspicious Vehicle - 1 (1 ytd)  
 Stranded Motorist -  
 Council Meeting - 1  
 House Watch - 6 (27 ytd)

Suspicious Person - (5 ytd)  
 Foot Patrol -  
 Resident Contact - 3 (9 ytd)

Officer Assist - (1 ytd)  
 Business Check - 36 (279 ytd)  
 Alarm - 1 (1 ytd)

# BRANCHING OUT

## CITY COUNCIL ADDS BACK YARDS TO MAINTENANCE PROGRAM!



TREE CITY USA®

Our pilot maintenance program, which reimburses homeowners up to 40% (not to exceed \$500) of tree maintenance work approved by our arborist, has gotten off to a great start! Over 20 of your neighbors have already had their work pre-approved by Cindi Sullivan, and they are now working with qualified bonded and insured tree services with an arborist on staff, to get their work done.

Having heard about the success, Mayor Davis and the City Council agreed that the program can now apply to back yard work as well. Our ultimate goal is to preserve our large trees, so having residents have trees limbed up rather than cutting them down, works for homeowners and the City as well! Here's a brief re-cap of the procedure:

A homeowner may request to participate in the grant program by emailing name, address, email address and phone number to [msmattingly@outlook.com](mailto:msmattingly@outlook.com) and briefly describing the tree location and work he/she believes needs to be done. The arborist will visit the site and advise and approve work to be done. If there are questions the homeowner may contact the arborist for discussion at [cindihsullivan@gmail.com](mailto:cindihsullivan@gmail.com). A member of the Tree Board will contact the homeowner to secure the necessary signature to validate program participation. Upon approval, the homeowner will contact a tree contractor individually. **Work must be performed by a qualified, insured, and bonded tree contractor, with a certified arborist on staff.** A list of some contractors can

be found in the August newsletter and on our website, [reteehepark.com](http://reteehepark.com). The City will not be a party to the contract, and the work must be completed by April 15, 2017. Once the work is completed, the homeowner notifies the arborist who will visit the site and verify the agreed upon work has been done by an approved contractor and sign a form authorizing payment by the City Treasurer. No homeowner delinquent in taxes will be eligible for reimbursement.

So now is your chance to get some financial help toward maintaining your large trees. We hope you'll take advantage! Funds are limited, so apply soon.

### Save the Walking Heads!

As our healthy residents try to complete their 10,000 steps per day routines, they are sometimes impeded by the tree limbs overhanging sidewalks in our City. Please trim overhanging branches to make everyone's walks better!

### Use the Tree Bags!

While we know you love your Gator bags just for looks, they have a very important purpose—to provide appropriate water for your new trees! If your trees were planted this year, fill them twice a week; if they were planted last year or the year before, keep filling the bags at least twice a month—more, if weather is very hot and dry. Keep doing this until Thanksgiving, then store the bag in your garage or basement, and put it back on St. Patrick's Day. Thank you.

*Your Tree Board and Arborist,  
Jane, Joe, Mary and Cindi*

## INFORMATION TO IMPROVE HOMEOWNERSHIP THE RIGHT QUESTIONS ARE KEY



Asking the right questions will lead to the answers that help you determine which agent to use for one of the largest investments that most people make – the purchase or sale of their home.

Rudyard Kipling wrote the verse "I keep six serving men, they taught me all I knew, their names were what and why and when and how and where and who." Prefacing your questions with one of these words can help you get the information you need to make a good decision about the realtor you use.

- How long have you been selling homes and is this your full-time job?
- What designations or other credentials do you have?
- How many homes did you and your company sell last year?
- What is your average market time compared to MLS and your top competitors?

- What is your sales price to list price ratio?
- When will you report to me on the progress of my transaction?
- Who can you recommend for service providers like mortgage, inspections, repairs and maintenance?
- Why do you want to work with me?
- Where are the biggest opportunities to expose my home to the largest market?

Finding the right person to represent you is a little like the person who ordered a lobster dinner at a restaurant. When the server brought out the meal, the lobster only had one claw. The customer asked why it only had one claw and the server said: "I don't know, I guess it was in a fight." The customer looked at the server and said: then bring me the lobster who won."

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

# PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER

## AUTUMN SAFETY TIPS: PROTECT WHAT MATTERS THIS FALL



The crisp weather and color-changing leaves make it a great time to spruce up your home, go for a drive, walk your pets or cozy up indoors. But with all those things comes the potential for danger. Regardless of where you live, it's important to be aware of your surroundings. Here are some autumn safety tips for your family, home, car, and pets, for a safe and enjoyable fall season.

### PERSONAL

Get a flu shot. Even though you could still get sick after getting the shot, the vaccine can provide protection against severe complications from the flu.

Wash your hands. One of the best ways to avoid getting sick is to wash them regularly and thoroughly. Use hot water, plenty of soap, and wash for at least 30 seconds.

If you're a workaholic and get sick, avoid going to work and spreading it to your fellow employees. Your boss and coworkers will thank you because group productivity won't be at risk. It's easier to deal with one person being away from the office than several, all because you coughed on them.

When you're outside and it's chilly, wear a jacket. It sounds pretty basic, but you'd be surprised how many people think they're "tough guys" walking around in a t-shirt when it's 40 degrees out.

Raking leaves? Prevent back injuries by standing upright while raking and pull from your arms and legs. Don't overfill leaf bags, and when picking them up, bend at the knee and use your legs, not your back, for support.

If you use a leaf blower, shield yourself. Wear appropriate clothing, eye protection, and work boots to prevent injury.

Do not allow children to play in leaf piles near the curb. The piles can obstruct the view of drivers and put your child at risk for getting hit, especially since it gets dark outside earlier.

### HOME

Every month should be fire prevention month, but we tend to plug in a lot more devices in the fall and winter. It's important to test all smoke alarms and have a family fire drill. Remember to replace used and expired fire extinguishers as well.

Turn your furnace on before the temperatures really drop so you can ensure it works. Contact a technician to inspect that it's operating properly if you suspect it needs servicing.

Keep all flammable materials away from your furnace. This includes clothing, paint products, toxic materials, cardboard and more.

If you have a fireplace, inspect the chimney to confirm it's free of debris, creosote buildup, and is unobstructed so combustibles can vent. Make sure the bricks, mortar and liner are in good condition.

Do a quick check for areas that may need repair before extreme weather hits: unsteady roof shingles, warped windowsills and concrete that might be sloping toward the house.

Check all outdoor lighting fixtures to make sure they are working properly. This can safeguard you against falls and neighborhood crime.

### CAR

With fewer hours of daylight, it can be difficult to see pedestrians and cyclists clearly, so if you don't have automatic headlights, make sure they are on at the onset of dusk.

In the mornings, the sun can be extremely bright making it difficult to see brake lights ahead. Keep a pair of sunglasses in your car to reduce glare and protect your vision.

Temperatures can also affect driving performance. Clear your windshield of frost before beginning your drive and turn on your defrost if necessary. Frost can also form on the road surface without being visible, so be cautious in wooded areas, bridges and overpasses, where ice can quickly develop. Remember, leaves and rain can also make for a slippery surface.

Keep an emergency kit in your vehicle. Some can be found in stores already pre-made for convenience, but if you want to create your own, be sure to include a flashlight, first-aid kit, jumper cables, windshield washer fluid and basic tools. You might even consider purchasing a car battery charger if you have a long commute each day.

### PETS

If your pets spend a lot of time outdoors or live outside, make sure they are fed more often during cooler weather to help them retain body heat.

Many mushrooms are non-toxic but some are poisonous for dogs. It's difficult to tell the difference. To avoid mushroom poisoning, walk them in areas that do not have fungi growing, and if your pet ingests one, call your local animal poison control center or ASPCA immediately.

Since pets tend to seek shelter from the cold indoors, you may decide to use some kind of pest control chemical to keep them at bay. If you use them, particularly ones to kill rodents, keep them away from your pets as even a small dose can be fatal if not treated immediately.

Make the fall season a happy and safe one by being prepared, having a high level of awareness and knowing the right resources to contact if you're in doubt of what to do.

**ALWAYS TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS! SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!**

#### ***Neighborhood Block Watch Program***

If you are not already on the City of St. Regis Park's Block Watch List, send your name and email address to: [stregispark@gmail.com](mailto:stregispark@gmail.com).



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## ST. ANDREW FARMERS' MARKET

St. Andrew United Church of Christ  
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The **St. Andrew Farmers' Market** opened for its 7th season on May 12 and will run through October 13. Just like last year, **the market will be open 3:30 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](http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/farmermarket/index.htm).



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574-2111 or 311 – Non-Emergency

[www.louisvilleky.gov](http://www.louisvilleky.gov)

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

#### **2016 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](mailto:stregispark@gmail.com)  
Website – [www.stregispark.net](http://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

#### **NEWSLETTER PRINTED BY**

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|                   |                    |                         |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>1/8th page</b> | <b>\$300/year</b>  | <b>\$150/six months</b> |
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**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.**