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Dear Fellow Residents:

Temperatures have dropped in recent weeks. Although outside activities have been reduced, there are still a number of important events occurring in the coming months.

The October 1 deadline for fall tree plantings has passed. The Tree Board advises 25 trees will be planted in the next few weeks. Requests for the spring 2017 plantings will be taken between now and April 1, 2017. Email your requests to msmattingly@outlook.com or call 459-9047. Also, because trees cannot be diagnosed without leaves, maintenance requests are being suspended until February 1, 2017. At that time a determination will be made as to whether there are remaining funds to resume the program.

HALLOWEEN is Monday, October 31. There will be increased police patrols throughout the City. Parents should accompany young children. Flashlights and reflective clothing are in order. **BE SAFE!**

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ends on **Sunday, November 6.** As we return to **Standard Time**, be sure to **turn back your clocks one hour.** This is also a great time to **replace the batteries in your smoke alarms.**

Tuesday, November 8, is the **GENERAL ELECTION.** All seven **City of St. Regis Park Council seats are on the ballot.** This is an important election for our nation, state, and city. Every vote counts! **BE SURE TO VOTE!**

VETERANS DAY is Friday, November 11. While Veterans Day honors **ALL** American veterans, living and dead, it is primarily intended to thank **LIVING** veterans for their dedicated and loyal service and the sacrifices they have made to keep our country free. A number of celebrations will be hosted by various military and civic organizations. **THE CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK EXTENDS A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL VETERANS.**

The annual **ST. REGIS PARK HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA** has been scheduled for **Sunday, December 11,** from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at **St. Andrew United Church of Christ, 2608 Browns Lane.** Refreshments, door prizes, a visit from Santa and good

old family fun and fellowship will occur. In addition, the City will again sponsor what has become an annual **HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST.** Once more there will be three categories: **Best Traditional Home, Most Creative Home** and the infamous **Clark Griswold Award.** The winner in each category will receive a \$200 gift card. Decorate your home by Friday, December 16, to be eligible to win.

A final event I didn't mention earlier is **THANKSGIVING DAY on Thursday, November 24.** From all of us on the City Council, we are deeply thankful and extend to each of you our best wishes. We wish you the happiness of good friends, the joy of a happy family, and may you each enjoy a bountiful **THANKSGIVING.**

Yes we who live in St. Regis Park have much to be thankful for. After all, **the City of St. Regis Park is a great place to live!**

Sincerely,

Brandt Davis, Mayor

IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER 1	CITY COUNCIL MEETING (MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)
NOVEMBER 3	NATIONAL SANDWICH DAY
NOVEMBER 6	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
NOVEMBER 8	ELECTION DAY RECYCLING PICKUP
NOVEMBER 10	MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY
NOVEMBER 11	VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 22	RECYCLING PICKUP
NOVEMBER 24	THANKSGIVING DAY
NOVEMBER 25	BLACK FRIDAY

CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
October 4, 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, October 4, 2016 at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

ROLL CALL:

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Davis welcomed Jim and Mary Wallitsch who reside on Lincoln Road. The Wallitschs are in the process of obtaining permits to construct a garage. They submitted to the Council a dimensional drawing and building construction plan, requesting a variance for the dimensions of the garage. After the plan was reviewed and following discussion, Mr. Graves made a motion to grant the requested variance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schweickhardt, and it passed without dissent.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Charles J. Veeneman, City Accountant, presented the Financial Report for September 2016. General Fund revenues for the month were \$160,285.10 with year-to-date revenues at \$256,224.49. Total expenses for the month were \$34,424.64 with year-to-date expenses at \$87,994.44 resulting in year-to-date revenues over expenses of \$168,230.05

Road Fund revenues for the month were \$2,448.29 with year-to-date revenues at \$7,582.94. Total expenses were \$0 with year-to-date expenses at \$0, resulting in year-to-date excess revenues of \$7,582.94.

Mr. Shackelford made a motion to approve the September 2016 Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheatley, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Hodapp will contact Fifth Third Brokerage and arrange for the purchase of additional Certificates of Deposit after the November 2016 Council Meeting.

MINUTES:

Mr. Hoard made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 6, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. Allen, and it passed without dissent.

TREE BOARD:

Mr. Joe Hinkle of the City of St. Regis Park Tree Board attended the meeting and discussed the following:

- 25 residents have requested trees for the fall 2016 planting. The plantings should take place within the next 45 days;
- The tree maintenance application reviews will begin again on February 1, 2017.
- The deadline to request reimbursement for the tree maintenance program was extended to May 1, 2017.

POLICE REPORT:

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

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: MEL MILBURN (Absent)

Mr. Milburn will arrange for the sidewalk to be repaired at 2605 Foxy Poise Road. He will report at the November Council Meeting on MSD's findings regarding the storm drain blockage on St. Regis Lane.

CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: KENNY BETTS

In September, Mr. Betts patrolled 98 miles, issued 11 Hi-Neighbor notices, received 3 complaints and conducted 2 house visits/communications. Mr. Betts also presented to the Council a Crime Incident Report covering the past 90 days.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: JOHN SINGLER

Mr. Singler introduced the 1st Reading of *Ordinance 3, 2016-2017*, which will adopt the *American Legal Code of Ordinances, Supplemental 2016 S-7 series*. Mr. Graves made a motion *Ordinance 3, 2016-2017* be adopted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett. It passed without dissent.

PUBLIC WORKS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT

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 654-8145 for information regarding the use of these signs.

SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN

The annual holiday celebration will be held from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 11, 2016, at the St. Andrew United Church of Christ, 2608 Browns Lane. Food, prizes and Santa will be present. There will also be a House Decoration Contest again this year. The three categories will remain the same as in previous years' contests.

PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT

Ms. Willett and the Council will monitor crime activity in the City and schedule police services based upon crime statistics provided by Mr. Betts.

BUILDING PERMITS: STEPHEN HOARD

No report.

MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY

Mr. Wheatley will initiate a Facebook survey for residents to provide feedback on contracted police services/schedules within the City of St. Regis Park.

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES

Mr. Graves distributed a list of the eight candidates who have filed for City Council in the general election on November 8, 2016. All seven Council seats are up for election.

FINANCE: ERIC SHACKELFORD

No Report.

CITIZEN PARTICPATION:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Jefferson County League of Cities Annual Dinner will be held on November 17, 2016.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, Mr. Hoard made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shackelford, and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 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 2016

Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Brandt Davis	10	8	80%
Talbott Allen	10	6	60%
Bob Graves	10	9	90%
Stephen Hoard	10	9	90%
Louie Schweickhardt	10	9	90%
Eric Shackelford	10	8	80%
Frank Wheatley	10	9	90%
Cheryl Willett	10	9	90%



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VETERANS DAY



Throughout our county's history, brave men and women have willingly answered the call to defend our nation and our way of life. The actions of our servicemen and servicewomen have changed the course of history, touched lives and spread freedom and democracy to nations around the world. As Americans, we owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to our veterans who, during both peace and war, have demonstrated a steadfast commitment to safeguarding the principles upon which our great nation was founded.

Veterans Day is a time to remember and pay tribute to the brave men and women of our armed forces who have served, who are serving today and those who made the ultimate sacrifice before having the opportunity to become honored veterans. We should reaffirm our commitment to those who have answered the call of duty on behalf of all Americans. Enduring great personal sacrifices, these men and women and their families deserve our support. We are deeply thankful for the veterans who served our country with great honor in the past, and to those who uphold their duties today.

The price of freedom is paid for by the courage of those who are willing to fight for what they believe in. The greatness of America is found in the bravery and heroism of men and women who stand strong in the face of oppression and conflict. They ignite the enduring spirit of our nation and strengthen the unity of the American people with their resolve for freedom, justice and democracy.

BRANCHING OUT



TREE CITY USA

It's autumn even if the temperature has made it feel like endless summer, but it is time to think of fall tree tasks!

First, if you have one of the city's "Gator Bags" on your tree, please take it off around Thanksgiving, store it in your garage or basement, and then put it back on the tree around St. Patrick's Day. If your tree has been in the ground for almost two years now, and you have a bag still in good shape, please drop it off at the home of one of the Tree Board members. We will re-use it for this year's new trees. Also, it wouldn't hurt to freshen your tree mulch for the winter. Remember—don't cone it up -- just give it a nice 2-3 inches, and leave a few inches around the trunk to allow the tree to breathe.

Our maintenance program has been amazingly popular—with about 45 families taking advantage of the reimbursement program to get their trees in good shape! To take the opportunity to catch up on our financials, and because trees cannot be effectively diagnosed without leaves, we need to pause the program until spring to verify that we have not over-spent our allocated \$20,000. If you would like to participate, contact us around February 1, 2017. Your work must then be completed by May 1.

Also, new trees will be planted soon, and by the time these trees are in the ground, we will have planted some 150 trees! Your next opportunity to get on the tree list is for spring 2017. The list is ongoing, so apply any time.

Finally, Joe Hinkle of the Tree Board took on the task of finding good uses for your beautiful fall leaves! Leaves do not have to be a burden—take a look at the following ideas, offered by Margaret Boyles in *The Farmer's Almanac*!

WHAT TO DO WITH FALL LEAVES

Leaves have already started their decent. Why not put them to good use right at home? The Farmer's Almanac has some examples:

- Leave them in place and mow over them a few times. The easiest solution. The chopped leaves will break down quickly in spring and add valuable organic matter and mineral nutrients to the lawn.

- Spread them as protective mulch. Leaves make a good insulating cover for overwintering tender perennials or root crops stored in the ground. A heavy leaf cover allows fall-planted garlic to root without sprouting, and prevents shallow-rooted strawberries from heaving during winter's freeze-thaw cycles.
- Use them as a weed barrier for spring plantings. Chopped or left whole, leaves make excellent mulch for vegetable crops, blueberries (and other berries), and ornamental shrubs. They not only suppress weeds and help retain soil moisture, but because they contain no weed seeds themselves, they won't encourage the spread of new weeds.
- Make compost. Carbon-rich leaves pair well with summer's nitrogen-rich grass clippings. Layer three or four inches of old leaves with an inch of fresh grass clippings or other green leafy yard waste.
- Make leaf mold. Leaf mold is a special kind of all-leaf compost much beloved by English gardeners. It simply involves collecting and storing leaves, shredded or not, in plastic bags or wire bins. Keep the leaves moist, and let the fungi take over. After two or three years, the leaves will have disintegrated into a dark, sweet-smelling, soil conditioner, high in essential minerals. Its exceptional water-retentive property makes it an ideal amendment for loose, sandy soil.
- Store root vegetables. If you have a cool, humid spot, you can store carrots, beets, and other root vegetables between layers of crisp, freshly fallen leaves. Sprinkle each layer of leaves with water (don't let them get soggy). If you don't grow your own vegetables, visit a farmers' market and try to find a vendors who will sell you half a bushel or more of your favorite root crops.

Source: Boyles, Margaret. "What To Do with Fall Leaves." The Farmer's Almanac, Nov. 2013. Web. 10 Oct. 2016. <<http://www.almanac.com/blog/natural-health-home-tips/what-do-fall-leaves>>.

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.

The following "Letter to the Editor" appeared in the Courier-Journal on September 14, 2016:

"With all the bad news about the tree canopy in Louisville and around the country, we the members of the Tree Board of the City of St. Regis Park would like to share our good news!

Two years ago, with great foresight, Mayor Brandt Davis and the City Council established a Tree Board authorizing its three members to hire a consulting arborist and do what we could to restore the tree canopy of our city.

We made the wise decision to hire Cindi Sullivan as our consulting arborist and began immediately to establish a tree planting program. By the time this fall's plantings are over, we will have planted over 150 shade trees (2 ½-inch caliper or more) in the lawns of our 600 homes. The cost of the tree and its planting is covered by the city, and residents agree to keep the trees watered and mulched.

Knowing that the protection of our older trees was just as important as planting new trees, we then embarked on a maintenance program – encouraging residents to have trees limbed up or treated as needed, rather than lose a valuable tree. The city reimburses a portion of their expenditures. To date, almost 40 residents have taken advantage of this program.

In April the city celebrated its new designation as a "Tree City USA" at our annual Arbor Day celebration. The following month the Kentucky Department of Forestry recognized the City of St. Regis Park for its distinction as the city in Kentucky spending the most per capita on trees!

We are proud of our "Re-Tree the Park" program and know our citizens are enjoying the beauty of the trees we are planting and caring for. If there are other communities that would like to follow our example, we would be happy to share our experiences."

Jane Ecker, Joe Hinkle, Mary Mattingly – The St. Regis Park Tree Board



Small City Activity Sheet

City: **St. Regis Park**

Month/Year:

Sep 2016

Traffic Stops: Location:	DSS	Speeding	RD	Other	Arrests	Warnings	Citations
Woodmont/Lincoln	3			1		2	2
Lynnbrook/Aintree	1			1		1	1
Foxy Poise/Lynnbrook		1		1		1	1
Woodmont/Mt. Vernon	2		1			1	2
Dannywood/Browns		5	1	4		7	3
Browns/Lincoln		3	1	4			8
4600 Block Lincoln		2				2	
Browns/Brookhaven		1				1	
Rockwood							
Dannywood/Woodmont	3	1		1		3	2
Statton/Woodmont	2					2	
Woodmont/St Regis	1		1	3		3	2
St Regis Ln				1		1	
Browns/Lowe							
Mt. Vernon		3		2		5	
Total:	12	16	4	18	0	29	21
YTD Total:	84	147	6	72	0	147	150
Resident:	3	7	0	5		12	3
Non-Resident:	9	9	4	13		17	18
YTD- Resident	37	52	0	23		99	11
YTD-Non-Resident	47	95	6	49		58	139
TOTAL:	84	147	6	72	0	157	150

Suspicious person/vehicles/other activity:

Suspicious Vehicle - (1 ytd)
 Stranded Motorist - 2
 Council Meeting - 1
 House Watch - 2 (50 ytd)

Suspicious Person - (5 ytd)
 Foot Patrol -
 Resident Contact - 1 (10 ytd)
 Trespassing - (1 ytd)

Officer Assist - 2 (1 ytd)
 Business Check - 34 (322 ytd)
 Alarm - (1 ytd)

IN MEMORIAM

WILLIAM K. "BILL" HOLTON

WILLIAM K. "BILL" HOLTON, 86, passed away Tuesday, October 4, 2016. He was born November 17, 1929 in Lexington, Kentucky and spent most of his life in the Louisville (St. Regis Park) area. He was a graduate of the Louisville Male High School and the Speed Scientific School.

Bill retired from the Louis Allis Company, was a veteran of the Korean Conflict, and was a 75 year member of the Boy Scouts of America. He was an Eagle Scout and received many awards including the Woodbadge and Silver Beaver.

A devoted public servant to the citizens of the City of St. Regis Park, he served at various times as its Police Chief, Council Member and City Clerk-Treasurer. He was a member of the American Legion, the Fraternal Order

of Police Lodge #32, was an instructor for the National Rifle Association, and was a founding member of the St. Andrew United Church of Christ.

Although preceded in death by his son, Robert, Bill is survived by his wife of 57 years, Betsy; his daughter, Carol Barth (Paul), and grandchildren Jonathan Barth and Jennifer Barth; son, William O. Holton (Moriah) and grandchildren Brett Holton and Brooke Holton and their mother, Betty Jean. He is also survived by his friend Ryan Hagan, who was like another son.

His funeral was celebrated on October 7. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Boy Scouts of America, Lincoln Heritage Council.

PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER

A LITTLE CHANGE IS GOOD FOR YOU



Want to cut your risk of dying in a home fire nearly in half? **CHANGE THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE ALARMS WHEN YOU CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS BACK TO STANDARD TIME ON NOVEMBER 6.** This simple act will provide you and your family with the extra seconds necessary to escape from a fire.

The majority of home fires occur between 2:00 and 5:00 a.m. when most of us are asleep. Mistakenly, people believe that smoke will wake them when in fact smoke can dull your senses, cause loss of consciousness and even death. The majority of home-related deaths are from smoke inhalation, not flames or burns.

When you change your clocks back to Standard Time on November 6, be certain to also change the batteries in your smoke alarms. A working alarm could save the lives of you and your family.

HEAT IT UP

Common sense can prevent a heater fire. All heating systems can start fires if not used and maintained properly. Heating your home during colder months of the year can prove dangerous if you do not follow a few safety procedures.

Portable heaters heat up rapidly and can easily ignite any flammable item left nearby. Always turn off portable heaters if you leave the room or are going to fall asleep.

When you use your fireplace or stove to heat your home, keep the door and or fire screen shut to prevent your home from sparks. Only burn dry, seasoned wood, never rubbish. Garbage and green wood can cause a chimney fire. Remember to have your chimney inspected and serviced before each heating season, and again, regularly change the batteries in your smoke detectors. As mentioned earlier, a working smoke alarm could save the lives of you and your family.

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.



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ST. REGIS PARK COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month,
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Full Page	\$1800/year	\$900/six months



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