



# CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK

## NEWSLETTER

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Dear Fellow Residents:

According to the calendar, Spring is here. Neighbors have begun mowing their lawns, and despite some unusual cold snaps, warmer weather will continue. The **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** was again a success. My thanks to all those who participated, to those who volunteered, to **Council Members Talbott Allen and Cheryl Willett** who organized the event, and of course a special thanks to the **Easter Bunny**.

This is perhaps the most exciting time of the year for the Louisville area. Soon the spotlight will be focused on **Thunder Over Louisville**, its air show and the nation's largest fireworks event. This will be followed by the **Great Steamboat Race**, the **Pegasus Parade** and all the Derby Festival activities, culminating with the **Kentucky Oaks** and the fastest two minutes in sports – the **Kentucky Derby**. **For me, those of us who live in St. Regis Park already have the winning ticket.**

The City Council will shortly be putting the final touches on the City's annual budget for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 1. As outlined last month, a new contract is in place with **Rumpke Waste and Recycling Services** that will run through **June 30, 2021**. The budget should be finalized by the June Council Meeting.

We've all heard the expression **See something, Say Something**. While this began as an attempt to have citizens report suspicious activity, I'd like for it to go one step further in St. Regis Park. If you notice a streetlight out, a storm drain clogged, a traffic control or street sign damaged, or anything you feel is out of the ordinary, call the **St. Regis Park City Hall at 654-8145** and leave a message on the answering machine. You do not have to give your name unless you want someone to get back to you. Or you can send an email to [stregispark@gmail.com](mailto:stregispark@gmail.com). Remember – **See Something, Say Something**.

I also want to mention a couple of safety concerns. With the warmer temperatures, our residents are taking advantage of increased outdoor activities, particularly walking and jogging. At times of dusk or darkness, early mornings or late at night, be sure to wear reflective clothing and/or carry a light. Always walk or jog facing the oncoming traffic. We've been very fortunate in our City. Still, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Each Spring and Summer we receive complaints of mopeds and motorized scooters being operated illegally in St. Regis Park. While you don't need a license to operate a moped on private property, it is necessary to obtain a **Kentucky Moped License** and to register the moped if ridden on public streets. The operator must be at least 16 years old with a valid driver's permit to apply for a moped license. If under 18, a parent or guardian must sign for the operator. Mopeds, scooters or motorized skateboards are **NOT** toys. **They are subject to all applicable traffic laws and will be treated accordingly by law enforcement.**

Also, save these dates – **Saturday, June 10** and **Saturday, July 8**. The **McMahan Fire Protection District** will be conducting **CPR certification classes** at the fire station, 4318 Taylorsville Road. Additional details to include times and the registration process will be in next month's newsletter.

One final point, with **Memorial Day** being observed on **Monday, May 29**, the City of St. Regis Park gratefully thanks all service members, veterans and their families for their contributions and service to the United States of America. As we go about our activities, we should take the opportunity to not only remember the sacrifices of the fallen and mourn their departure, we should also celebrate the spirit with which they served and reflect upon their contributions in making America truly the land of the free.

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

Sincerely,  
*Brandt Davis*, Mayor

### IMPORTANT DATES

MAY 2	CITY COUNCIL MEETING (MCMAHAN FIRE DISTRICT @ 7:00 PM)
MAY 3	THE GREAT STEAMBOAT RACE (RIVERFRONT @ 4:30 PM)
MAY 4	THE PEGASUS PARADE (5:00 PM) NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
MAY 5	THE KENTUCKY OAKS CINCO DE MAYO
MAY 6	THE KENTUCKY DERBY
MAY 7	CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL (FOURTH STREET LIVE @ 2:00 PM)
MAY 9	RECYCLING PICKUP
MAY 11	ST. ANDREW FARMERS' MARKET (3:30 – 6:30 PM)
MAY 14	MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 15	PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY
MAY 20	ARMED FORCES DAY
MAY 23	RECYCLING PICKUP
MAY 27	UPPER HIGHLANDS SWIM CLUB OPENS
MAY 29	MEMORIAL DAY

## **CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK**

# **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 4, 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, April 4, 2017, at 4318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: Talbott Allen, Bob Graves, Eric Shackelford, Jeff Weis, and Cheryl Willett.

Absent: Louie Schweickhardt and Frank Wheatley.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- At the request of a local neighbor, Mayor Davis communicated with Louisville Metro Councilwoman Marilyn Parker, Metro District 18, about retrofitting a couple of tennis courts at Des Pres Park into pickleball courts. Ms. Parker confirmed she has received multiple requests and has recommended the retrofit take place.
- Mr. Kevin Lauck of Bin Cleanse presented details of his new business which included the washing, sanitizing and deodorizing of residential trash and recycle bins. This service is being offered to small cities and communities at a reduced rate, if a contract were to be entered into. The Council took no action to retain the services at this time.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Mr. Charles J. Veeneman, CPA, City Accountant, presented the Financial and Investment Report for March 2017. General Fund revenues for the month were \$3,218.31 with year-to-date revenues at \$365,603.30. Total expenses for the month were \$22,692.75 with year-to-date expenses at \$249,348.09 resulting in year-to-date revenues over expenses of \$116,255.21.

Road Fund revenues for the month were \$2,176.93 with year-to-date revenues at \$22,286.70. Total expenses were \$0 with year-to-date expenses at \$2,850.00 resulting in year-to-date excess revenues of \$19,436.70.

Year-to-date interest earned on investments was \$9,081.36.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the March 2017 Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett, and it passed without dissent.

### **MINUTES:**

Mr. Shackelford made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 7, 2017. The motion

was seconded by Mr. Graves, and it passed without dissent.

### **TREE BOARD:**

Ms. Jane Ecker of the Tree Board attended the meeting and discussed the following:

- The 2017 St. Regis Park Arbor Day celebration will be held at the Ascension cafeteria on Saturday, April 22nd. More information will be included in the newsletter and on the website.
- Eighteen (18) residents have requested trees for the spring planting.
- Eleven (11) residents have applied for tree maintenance reimbursement.
- To date, the City has planted 150 trees since the inception of the tree program.

### **POLICE REPORT:**

The KLE Small City Activity Report for the month of March 2017 will be published in the May newsletter. Sergeant William Willhoite, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, representing Kentuckiana Law Enforcement, was in attendance but had no comments.

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

Mr. Milburn and Mr. Singler are working with the residents and contractor to get the contracts in place to repair the sidewalk and driveway apron at 2605 Foxy Poise Road.

### **CITATION OFFICER'S REPORT: STEPHEN HOARD (Absent)**

In March, Mr. Hoard patrolled 50 miles and issued thirty seven (37) notices. The main issues of concern during March were:

- Grass and weeds growing over the street curbs and sidewalks;
- Debris in storm drains in front of residences; and
- Items in disrepair, such as chipping paint, damaged gutters with excessive debris and broken down cars sitting in driveways.

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

Mr. Singler presented information regarding the Louisville Metro lawsuit against the Commonwealth of Kentucky, 83 Jefferson County suburban cities (including the City of St. Regis Park), the Jefferson County League of Cities (JCLC), and several other groups within Louisville over the new law (HB 246) that Mayor Greg Fischer alleges undercuts his authority to appoint the Solid Waste Management Board, violates the Kentucky Constitution and rolls back a ban on using plastic bags for disposing of yard waste.

JCLC has retained legal counsel to challenge the lawsuit and has requested contributions from each of the represented 83 cities, including the City of St. Regis Park, to pay for the associated legal costs. According to the JCLC, HB 246 restores the original

**The City has "No Parking" signs available for use by residents who host large gatherings.**

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intent of Chapter 109, protects the Home Rule authority, does not mandate trash and recycling collection practices, offers transparency, affects the wet/dry authority and impacts recycling activities in certain areas of the city.

After considerable Council discussion, Mr. Allen made a motion to approve Resolution #1, 2016-2017, which gives Mayor Davis all steps necessary to defend the court action on behalf of the City of St. Regis Park as advised by the City Attorney regarding Civil Action No. 17-CI-327. Mr. Shackelford seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Graves made a motion for St. Regis Park to contribute \$1,500.00 to fund the legal challenge through the JCLC. Ms. Willett seconded the motion. The motion passed, with Mr. Weis dissenting.

**BUILDING PERMITS: LOUIE SCHWEICKHARDT (Absent)**

No Report.

**SPECIAL EVENTS: TALBOTT ALLEN**

Mr. Allen deferred to Councilwoman Willett.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: CHERYL WILLETT**

Ms. Willett requested volunteers assisting in the Annual Easter Egg Hunt assemble in the field at the end of Lincoln Road at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 8.

**PUBLIC WORKS: ERIC SHACKELFORD**

- The address curb repainting has been completed on Mount Vernon Road.
- Mr. Shackelford will work with the MaMahan Fire Department to offer CPR classes to residents. Times and dates will be published when available.

**MARKETING/IT: FRANK WHEATLEY (Absent)**

No Report

**COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR: BOB GRAVES**

Mr. Graves addressed the following:

- The streetlight is out at 4303 St. Regis Lane. Mr. Graves has entered a work order with LG&E.
- Mr. Schweickhardt repaired the street sign at Foxy Poise Road and Stormon Court.
- Graffiti has appeared on the sound barrier wall behind

residences in the vicinity of 4611 Hedgerow Court.

- A resident has complained about unlicensed and illegal motor scooters being ridden on City streets. The issue will be addressed in the newsletter.
- MSD cleared a blockage in the storm drain in the 4300 block of St. Regis Lane. Mr. Graves said it was his understanding the plastic top of a five-gallon container had lodged in the drain thus blocking the drainage. Mr. Shackelford continues to work with MSD on a separate drainage issue on Hedgerow Court.
- Mr. Graves reported the monthly newsletter has gained an additional advertiser since the last Council Meeting. Heine Brothers' coffee will open their new location in the old MotoPhoto building on Taylorsville Road in front of Baskin-Robbins. Their support is much appreciated.

**FINANCE: JEFF WEIS**

Mr. Weis reviewed the bank statements from January 2017 and stated there were no issues with the reconciliation.

**CITIZEN PARTICPATION:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Little Library box has been delivered to Ascension. Mayor Davis asked Mr. Wheatley to assist with the installation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The first reading of the 2017-2018 fiscal budget will take place at the May Council Meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, Mr. Graves made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shackelford, and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

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.

# COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING ATTENDANCE 2017

Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Brandt Davis	4	4	100%
Talbott Allen	4	4	100%
Bob Graves	4	4	100%
Louie Schweickhardt	4	3	75%
Eric Shackelford	4	2	50%
Jeff Weis	4	4	100%
Frank Wheatley	4	3	75%
Cheryl Willett	4	4	100%



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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 **3:30 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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# BRANCHING OUT

**It's Spring, and Spring means trees, of course! Here are our reminders as we move into our prime tree-care seasons:**

1. If you have already had your city-planted tree for two years, you don't necessarily need to use the Gator Bag any more. If yours is still in good shape, you may drop it off on the side/back porch of 2602 Aintree Way. If it is just your second year, now is the time to put the bag back on, if you have not.
2. Remember, that part of your agreement is to keep your tree mulched. This is the time of year to make sure that you have about two inches of mulch, spread evenly around the base of the tree, not coned up, but leaving a ring of "breathing space" about two inches around the tree trunk.
3. Even if you don't use your Gator bag, keep your tree properly watered. An inch or two once a week, if we do not have an inch of rain, is usually sufficient.
4. You still have time to apply for a free tree this Spring! We are accepting Spring applications until May 1st; those received later will go on the Fall list. This month, and several

other times during the year, we will include in the newsletter a form to fill out to request a tree or tree maintenance. Even if you have already contacted us, it would be very helpful if you would complete the form provided in this newsletter, or print out a form from [www.retreethepark.com](http://www.retreethepark.com), and email it to [msmattingly@outlook.com](mailto:msmattingly@outlook.com) or mail it to St. Regis Park Tree Board, PO Box 20429, Louisville, KY 40250-0429. (If you have already filled out this form this year, there is no need to repeat.)

5. Maintenance reimbursement requests are ongoing as well. Maintaining our aging trees is as much our goal as planting new ones. Follow the same procedure as outlined above, but the May 1 deadline does not apply. Requests are accepted at any time, although most trees cannot be evaluated during the winter.

We hope you will enjoy Arbor Day with us on April 22nd!  
Let's keep the City of St. Regis Park beautiful and tree-lined!

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





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**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

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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

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