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CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK NEWSLETTER October 2018



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Dear Citizens:

I hope this finds all of you doing well. We had another productive meeting last night. The first order of business accomplished was agreeing on a new city engineer. Mark Madison with Milestone design group will be helping us with all foreseeable projects. Some immediate work that Mark will be doing for us is looking at all of our roads and making recommendations on repairs and preventative maintenance. Also, Mark will be helping us with our new signage. Last, but not least, Mark will be coordinating with MSD to make sure a project they will be working on later this fall in St. Regis is done to our expectations.

Next, we had a concerned citizen attend the meeting that said they would like to have more communication within the city. After a joint brainstorming, it was decided that we will be adding a service called REACH Alert. The City of Hurstbourne and the City of Anchorage are already using it. As a city, we will be able to send alerts as text messages, voice calls, emails, or all of the above simultaneously. This will make sure that even if someone doesn't have a cell phone or the internet (i.e. Facebook, emails, etc.) they will still be notified of events. This is all in addition to the newsletter, of course. We see this service being used to remind people of community activities, impending snow storms (reminders to not park on the street), crime information, etc. One of the great things about the program is that there may be 4 users per address (whether the user lives in the home or not). This is an added benefit for adult children who don't live in the city and want to stay informed for the sake of their parents who are still residents here. For more information, please visit reachalert.com. In order to get started today, please see the attached flyer with instructions.

Also in regards to better communication, if you are new to the city or have never signed up for our block watch emails, please do so by emailing Councilwoman Cheryl Willett at stregispark@gmail.com.

Louisville Councilwoman Marilyn Parker and I met to discuss the amount of traffic on Browns Ln. during the early morning hours. She was able to see first

hand how difficult it is for St. Regis Park residents to turn right, let alone turn left, on to Browns Ln and the resulting back up of traffic on Mt. Vernon, Dannywood, Lincoln, and St. Regis Lane. As a result, she has already had the traffic light at Browns Ln./ McMahan/Lowe delayed a little bit longer to provide more "gaps" between cars for safer entrance on to Browns Ln. for our residents. So, thank you Councilwoman Marilyn Parker for your quick response.

Lastly, the City Council has decided to not proceed with any survey to residents regarding Speed Humps at this time. If a motion is made on the subject, a vote will take place accordingly.

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

Sincerely,

Brandt Davis, Mayor

Brandt Davis

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Tue Oct 2 City Council Meeting 7:00 PM
Jeffersontown Fire House #2
4318 Taylorsville Road

Mon Oct 8 Columbus Day

Wed Oct 31 Halloween

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
September 4, 2018

Following are the Minutes of the September 2018 Council Meeting for the City of St. Regis Park, held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 4, 2018, at the Jeffersontown Fire Station located at 4318 Taylorsville, Louisville, Kentucky 40220.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Brandt Davis; Council Members: John Amback, Louie Schweickhardt, Eric Shackelford, Jeff Weis, Frank Wheatley and Cheryl Willett.

Absent: Kacy Noltemeyer

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Davis recommended Milestone Design Group for future engineering services in the city. Mr. Weis made a motion to approve a professional service contract with Milestone Design Group. Mr. Schweickhardt seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Charles J. Veeneman, the city accountant presented the Financial and Investment Report for August 2018. Mr. Amback made a motion to approve the August 2018 financial and investment reports. Mr. Shackelford seconded the motion and it passed without dissent. A copy of the monthly financial reports are available on the city website.

MINUTES:

Mr. Shackelford made a motion to approve the August Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Amback and it passed without dissent.

The council member's reports did not include any actions requiring council approval.

FINANCE: JEFF WEIS

No Report

TREE BOARD:

No Report

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Heather Shaw and Ms. Susan Shaw attended the meeting to discuss a break-in that occurred at Ms. Heather Shaw's residence on Statton Road the morning of August 8, 2018.

Ms. Beverly Jones, who owns a residence on Aintree Way, attended the meeting to discuss a tree house that is located on her property.

CITY ATTORNEY: JOHN SINGLER

Mr. Singler introduced Municipal Order 1, Series 2018, an Order authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Uniform Franchise Agreement with MCImetro Access Corp. for fiber-optic network services. Mr. Schweickhardt made a motion to approve the Municipal Order. Mr. Shackelford seconded the motion and it was approved without dissent.

Mr. Singler introduced the First Reading of Ordinance 3, 2018-2019, an ordinance revising the parking regulations within the city. After council discussion, Ms. Willett made a motion to approve the First Reading. Mr. Shackelford seconded the motion and it was approved without dissent.

OLD BUSINESS:

The council discussed the speed hump issue and at this time, no action will be taken. Based on council recommendation, no surveys will be conducted at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Davis will research a city-wide alert system that will allow for communications with residents via text, email or phone.

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.

Due to an error, the sanitation rate was miscalculated in 2017 and 2018. Residents will receive a \$1.26 credit on their 2019 sanitation tax bill. Ms. Willett made a motion to approve the credit. Mr. Amback seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, Mr. Shackelford made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 9:27 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.

2018 City Council Meeting Attendance			
Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Brandt Davis	9	9	100%
Louie Schweickhardt	9	8	89%
Eric Shackelford	9	6	67%
Jeff Weis	9	9	100%
Frank Wheatley	9	8	89%
Cheryl Willett	9	9	100%
Kacy Noltemeyer	6	5	83%
John Amback	6	5	83%

Residents,

We understand the importance of communicating with you and ensuring that we keep you in the loop regarding events affecting the City of St. Regis Park. As a result, we are pleased to announce that we are initiating a new notification service called REACH Alert.

This new service will allow us to immediately share important information regarding a number of items, including waterline breaks/boil water advisories, power outages, road closures/delays due to construction or accidents, hazmat situations, AMBER/Silver alerts, police actions, and civic events.

As good as this service is, if you don't register, we can't share important information with you. You decide if you want a text message, voice call, or an email. Each household can register up to 4 phone numbers and 4 email addresses. All you need to do is:

1. Go to www.reachalert.com and click on MY ACCOUNT.
2. Select CREATE ACCOUNT.
3. Follow the prompts and enter your preferred contact information.
4. Network Name: type **St. Regis Park** (click on our name when it appears).
5. Select **Resident**
6. Enter your address and click on it when it appears in the drop-down list.

If you opted to receive text alerts, Reach Alert will send a text message to your cell phone immediately upon completion of your registration. Please enter the 4-digit number on the registration screen and then click the word VALIDATE. If you do not receive this message, please call Reach Alert.

If you do not have access to a computer or if you experience any difficulty registering, please contact REACH Alert at (877) 307-9313.

If you don't register, you won't receive our messages.

Thank you.



TREE CITY USA

BRANCHING OUT

Rake or Mow

To Rake or Mow Those Falling Leaves...That Is the Question

Now that we are improving canopy in The Park, many of you are (hopefully!) dealing with increased falling leaves. The question is, should you rake them up or leave them on your lawn?

There are pros and cons to either decision.

Raking is great moderate exercise. The American Heart Association recommends regular, moderate exercise for cardiovascular health. So, get out the rake and your paper yard waste bags or containers if you want some good fall exercise.

You can also put your leaves in a compost bin to create an amazing garden soil amendment. Leaves provide carbohydrates for the breakdown of organic matter, but the process also needs nitrogen, so consider adding food waste to your compost bin to speed up the process. Keep in mind, you should never add meat products, oils, bones, or pet waste to your compost bin. The rule of thumb is that if it is plant based, its ok; animal based, not so much.

You can drastically reduce the volume of the leaves by using a leaf vacuum or grass catcher attachment on your mower. (More on this later.)

If you decide that you want to leave leaves (sorry for the alliteration!), you have to reduce the volume/particle size. Whole leaves covering your lawn will smother your turfgrass, blocking sunlight from reaching grass blades and limiting air circulation, which can lead to turf diseases. The weight of leaves can actually prevent grass from growing properly as well. A leaf layer also keeps soil moist, which can cause turf roots to rot if the soil stays wet long enough.

In short, ignoring leaves on your lawn isn't an option if you want a healthy lawn.

It's time to deal with leaves when you can't see the top half of the grass blades or when they cover more than a third of your overall lawn. If a deep cold snap triggers leaf drop that happens quickly over a few days, you can wait until the lawn is nearly covered with a single leaf layer. Just don't allow grass to remain covered by fallen leaves for more than a few days.

You have the option of mowing over the leaves so that you are reducing the particle size to about the size of a dime. This requires mowing over the leaves, perhaps

multiple times at transects--east/west and then north/south. After mowing, you should see roughly 50 percent of the grass through the leaf pieces. The more grass you see, the more quickly those leaf pieces will decompose.

As the leaf bits settle onto soil between grass blades, microbes start the process of decomposition. Providing a nitrogen source, like that found in a winterizer or fall lawn fertilizer, will help soil microbes break down leaves faster. Allowing leaves to decompose in place ultimately enhances the soil beneath your lawn, adding organic matter, which leads to a healthier, thicker lawn.

The options of mowing over and/or shredding to reduce particle size/volume do use two cycle engines however, and if you have older equipment, that can be quite polluting. The Air Pollution Control District (APCD) says that one hour of mowing with a typical gas-powered lawn mower produces the same amount of smog-forming pollution as driving your car for 200 miles—enough to go from Louisville to Nashville. These emissions contribute significantly to ground-level air pollution and are especially harmful to sensitive groups such as children and the elderly.

(Check out the APCD website if you would like to take advantage of their rebate programs. You can trade in your gas powered equipment for less polluting electric mowers or even a reel mower and get money back if you are looking for more exercise!)

The decision is up to you of course, we just want to give you some food for thought.

Your Tree Board,

Jane Ecker, Joe Hinkle, Mary Mattingly

Tree Planting Request

As a resident of St. Regis Park, I agree to give the City of St. Regis Park (and its agents) my permission to enter my premises for the purpose of planting trees and release them from liability for same and further agree that any and all future maintenance of any planted tree or trees is my responsibility. I agree to maintain my new tree(s) to the best of my ability using the guidelines provided by the city arborist. [Summary: I will ensure that my tree(s) receive a regular thorough soaking of the soil in the root zone, and that the soil is kept consistently moist (but not wet) until the tree is well established. I will ensure that my tree(s) maintain a healthy 2-3 inch layer of mulch, with a two-three inch non-mulched space around the trunk.]

(Sign below and submit by scan or digital photo to msmattingly@outlook.com or mail to St. Regis Tree Board PO Box 20429 Louisville KY 40250-0429)

_____	_____
Print Name	Address
_____	_____
Phone number	Date
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Signature	Email

Tree Maintenance Request

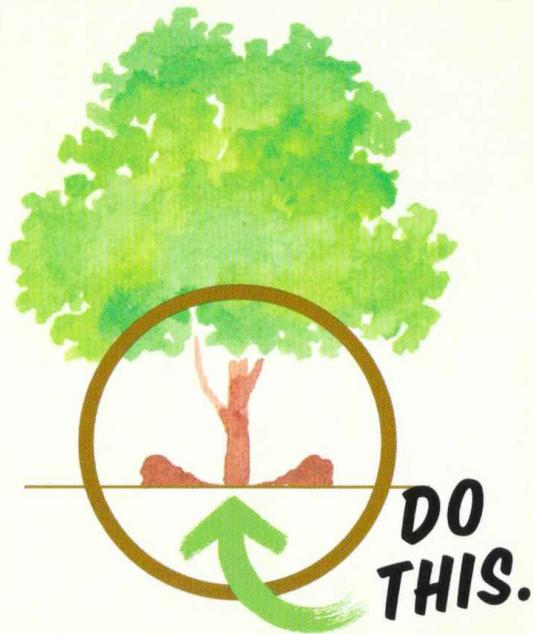
As a resident of St. Regis Park, I agree to give the City of St. Regis Park (and its agents) permission to enter my premises for the purpose of evaluating the condition of my tree(s) and release them from liability for same.

I understand that the city's arborist will determine what work should be done to properly maintain my tree(s) so that I can become eligible for the city's tree maintenance reimbursement program. Sign below and submit by scan or digital photo to msmattingly@outlook.com or mail to St. Regis Tree Board PO Box 20429 Louisville KY 40250-0429. Briefly describe what you think needs to be done—limb up oak in front yard, evaluate maple in back yard, etc.

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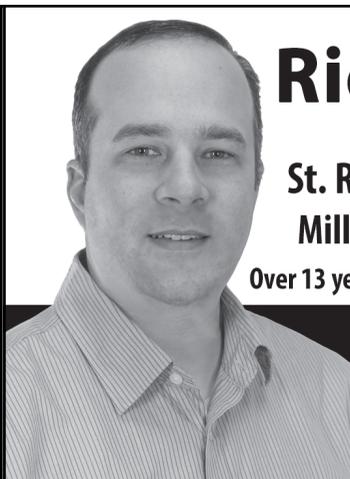
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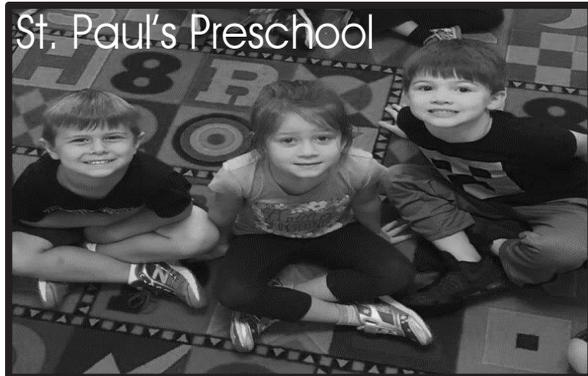
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Address	Price	Date Sold
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4310 Mount Vernon Road	\$246,500	August 27, 2018
2406 Aintree Way	\$257,500	August 24, 2018
4521 Dannywood Road	\$280,000	August 20, 2018
4405 Dannywood Road	\$318,000	August 14, 2018
2603 Hurdle Way	\$330,000	July 9, 2018
2407 Aintree Way	\$271,500	July 9, 2018
4319 Statton Road	\$246,000	July 2, 2018
2513 Foxy Poise Road	\$221,000	June 29, 2018
4404 Mount Vernon Road	\$189,950	June 26, 2018
4320 Statton Road	\$259,000	June 22, 2018
4506 Lincoln Road	\$463,000	June 21, 2018
2600 Aintree Way	\$160,000	June 15, 2018
4419 Dannywood Road	\$275,000	June 7, 2018
4325 Statton Road	\$195,500	June 6, 2018
2803 Mayford Way	\$230,000	May 29, 2018
2403 Sir Johns Court	\$270,000	May 14, 2018

Small City Activity Sheet



City: **St. Regis Park**

Month/Year: **August 2018**

Traffic Stops: DSS Speeding RD Other Arrests Warnings Citations

Location:

Woodmont/Lincoln	3					2	1
Lynnbrook/Aintree	2					2	
Foxy Poise/Lynnbrook	1			1		2	
Woodmont/Mt. Vernon	3	1				2	2
Dannywood/Browns	3					3	
Browns/Lincoln		2					2
4600 Block Lincoln		1					1
Browns/Brookhaven	1					1	
Rockwood							
Dannywood/Woodmont	5					3	2
Statton/Woodmont	2					1	1
Woodmont/St Regis	5	1				2	4
St Regis Ln							
Browns/Lowe				1		1	
Mt. Vernon		6		2			8
Total:	25	11	0	4	0	19	21
YTD Total:	55	74	1	28	0	40	118
Resident:	12	4				11	5
Non-Resident:	13	7		4		8	16
YTD- Resident	27	13		4		26	18
YTD-Non-Resident	28	61	1	24		14	100
TOTAL:	55	74	1	28	0	40	118

Suspicious person/vehicles/other activity:

Suspicious Vehicle - (2 ytd)	Suspicious Person - 1 (3 ytd)	Officer Assist - 2 (5 ytd)
Stranded Motorist - (ytd)	Foot Patrol -	Business Check - 45 (258 ytd)
Council Meeting - 1	Resident Contact - 1 (3 ytd)	Alarm - (ytd)
House Watch - 3 (46 ytd)	Trespassing - (ytd)	Monitor Bus Stop - (2 ytd)



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