

# Hurstbourne Acres Post

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## Next City Meeting

Thursday, May 12th

City Hall at 6:30 pm

## NOTES FROM THE MAYOR

You should have received, or will shortly, your new valuation from the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator Office. If you do not agree with the assessment, please use the appeal process as outlined on back of the notification. Remember, this is a form from Jefferson County, not Hurstbourne Acres. If I can help, please don't hesitate to call me.

Thanks and I hope you had the Derby Winner!!  
Mayor Sean Fore



## GOLDEN WATCH

Teresa Renninger

### The Homestead Exemption Tax Credit

The Homestead Exemption for 2015-2016 is \$36,900. To qualify for the Homestead Exemption a property owner must:

- ◆ Be 65 years or older
- ◆ Own and Occupy the property as your primary residence prior to January

Kentucky's Constitution allows property owners who are 65 or older to receive the Homestead Exemption on their primary residence. If you are eligible to receive the Homestead Exemption, the exemption amount is subtracted from your property's assessed value, reducing your property tax liability.

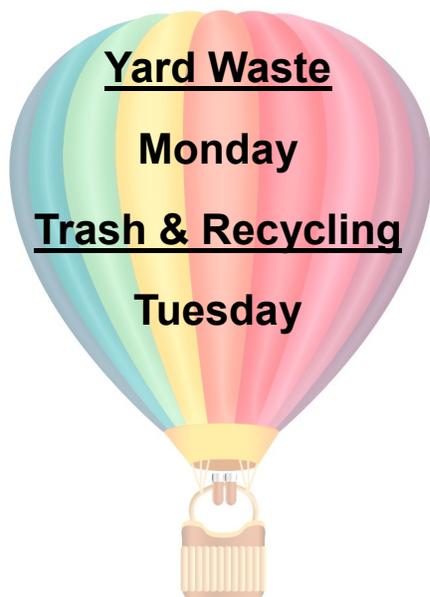
Only one exemption (Homestead or Disability) is allowed per household. Those who currently receive the exemption need not reapply. You can receive the Homestead Exemption on residential or commercial property as long as you own and occupy the property. If you have an exemption and sell your property, please contact the PVA Homestead Department at (502) 574-6380 option 3.

KRS 132.810(2) (h) provides, "When title to property which is exempted, either in whole or in part, under the homestead exemption is transferred, the owner, administrator, executor, trustee, guardian, conservator, curator or agent shall report such transfer to The Property Valuation Administrator."

The exemption will apply to property owned and occupied as the primary residence as of January 1 of the application year. Property owners are eligible to receive the Homestead exemption in the year of their 65th birthday.

IT'S EASY TO APPLY! Mail the completed Homestead Application, along with a copy of your valid Jefferson County Driver's License or other valid Jefferson County ID (issued by the Jefferson County Circuit Clerk) to:

Jefferson County PVA  
Attn: Homestead  
815 W. Market Street, Suite 400  
Louisville, KY 40202-2654



### Preventing Mosquitoes from Breeding

Mosquitoes lay up to 250 eggs at a time in still water, which will hatch in 7 to 15 days. During the off season, mosquitoes can lay dormant for up to one year.

If standing water is eliminated weekly, many mosquitoes will be kept from breeding in the first place. So if you are anti-mosquito, then start by getting rid of these breeding grounds in your yard.

#### **Ways you can help eliminate mosquito breeding grounds:**

- ◆ Dispose of old tires, buckets, ceramic pots and other containers in your yard that may collect water.
- ◆ Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water.
- ◆ Drill holes into the bottom of tire swings.
- ◆ At least once per week, empty standing water from containers, including birdfeeders, on your property.
- ◆ Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left outdoors. Drainage holes in the sides of containers allow sufficient water to collect in which mosquitoes may breed.
- ◆ Clean clogged roof gutters, particularly if the leaves from surrounding trees have a tendency to plug up the drains. Flooded roof gutters are easily overlooked but can produce hundreds of mosquitoes each season.
- ◆ Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use.
- ◆ Turn over wheelbarrows when not in use.
- ◆ Store boats covered or upside down, or remove rainwater weekly.
- ◆ Aerate ornamental pools or stock them with fish. Water gardens are fashionable but become major mosquito producers if they are allowed to stagnate.
- ◆ Clean and chlorinate swimming pools that are not being used. A swimming pool that is left for a month can produce enough mosquitoes to infest an entire neighborhood. Be aware that mosquitoes may also breed in the water that collects on swimming pool covers.
- ◆ Keep drains, ditches and culverts free of grass clippings, weeds and trash so water will drain properly.

Fill in low areas on your property to eliminate standing water. Ponds or streams where fish are present or the water is disturbed by current or wave action do not produce many mosquitoes; standing water is more of a breeding area. So if you have mosquitoes, the standing water in your backyard has got to go.

This will be the start of your anti-mosquito campaign! Next step...effective outdoor mosquito control that can help you enjoy season-long protection from the dangers of mosquitoes.

<http://www.mosquitomagnet.com/advice/mosquito-info/mosquito-fun-facts/mosquito-prevention-tips>

Submitted by Troy Eskridge

## City-Wide Yard Sale Saturday May 28th 8:00 a.m.

This event will be posted in the classified section of the CJ as well as social media sites (like face book and craigslist).

New city yard sale signs have been purchased and will be out the week before the event.



Chief Steve Griffin presented resident, Jeff Perry, with a letter of commendation for providing critical information to our Police Department.

## May Message from Police Chief Steve Griffin

It's definitely spring time in Hurstbourne Acres. The sun is shining, the birds are chirping, and the smell of fresh flowers and mown grass is in the air. Often times however, our peaceful days are interrupted by unwanted phone calls from telemarketers, solicitors, and scam artists. At best these callers are a nuisance but they can also lead to significant trouble if you inadvertently give some information to these callers that they use to your detriment.

There is however, an easy way that you can block the majority of these calls. The National Do Not Call Registry was implemented by the FCC to address these unwanted calls and you can register your home phone number and/or cell phone number. The process is very easy and you can register by phone or via the internet.

- To register via the internet, go to [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)
- To register by phone, call 1-800-382-1222 (voice) or 1-866-290-4236 (TTY). You must call from the phone number you wish to register.

Once you have registered, telemarketers must remove your phone number from their call lists within 31 days. Your phone number will remain on the No Call Registry until you remove them so there is no need to re-register.

Please contact the Hurstbourne Acres Police Department if you have any problems with this process or if you have any questions. We will be happy to assist you in getting registered.

If you see something, say something,  
Chief Steve Griffin



## **SANITATION**

Terry McAllister

I am pleased to announce Hurstbourne Acres PD will now be using Reach Alert to send important and time sensitive information to the residents of the city.

If you're not signed up you can do so by going to [www.reachalert.com](http://www.reachalert.com) and clicking the blue create an account link to get started. Call 502 235-9697 for assistance if you have any problems signing up.

The City will be renewing its contract with Eco-Tech sanitation. There will be no cost increase and no changes in your normal weekly pickup.

Last months quote was from Will Rogers.

May Quote of the month: "If you do not change direction, you may end up where you are heading".

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

Troy Eskridge

The operation Brightside cleanup was a success and the green areas on Taylorsville Rd. and Hurstbourne Parkway are looking great. Special thanks to our commissioners, who all showed up to pitch in! If you would like a Brightside cleanup t-shirt, they will be available at the next city meeting. Sizes are limited.

The city yard sale is fast approaching. If you are participating in the event, a few yard signs are available and will be given out at the next city meeting.

The 12 trees for the re-Tree Hurstbourne Acres project are scheduled to be planted during the second week of May. I hope to share pictures and progress at the next city meeting.



## **STREETS AND LIGHTING**

Donna Nichols

I know that you have read in the previous Newsletters that our City signage is being replaced with reflective signage. The color will remain the same, gold on black. The Park sign will also be replaced with a gold on black sign with the same script. Troy Eskridge, Parks Commissioner, and myself both concur on this change.

The street signs will be done first, along with the new Park sign. Hopefully, this phase will be completed by the end of May. The rainy weather has caused Safe T Signs to get behind with their installations!

The entrance signs will be done after the completion of the above signs. I am in the process of looking at drawings of entrance signs that other small Cities in Jefferson Co have installed.

The most important issue that I want you to be aware of, is that NO City tax monies are being used for this project. It will be paid from our Municipal Road Fund, which monies come from the State.

With Commissioner Eskridge's Tree Project, its time to spruce up for Spring!



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## CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ACRES

April 14, 2016  
Minutes-DRAFT

The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM on April 14, 2016 at the meeting room of the Hurstbourne Acres City Hall/Police Department, 1916 Hurstbourne Circle, Louisville, Kentucky, with the following persons present;

Sean Fore, Mayor  
Troy Eskridge, Commissioner  
Terry McAllister, Commissioner  
Donna Nichols, Commissioner  
Teresa Renninger, Commissioner  
Steve Griffin, Police Chief  
Steve Emery, City Attorney  
Michael Bolten, Clerk  
Brent O. Hardin, Resident  
Jim Lynch, Resident  
Jeff Perry, Resident  
Doug Rogers, Resident  
Leslie Dunn, Resident  
Marty Dunn, Resident

### March 10, 2016 Minutes

After review of the draft copy of the minutes, Commissioner Nichols made a motion to accept the minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger and carried unopposed.

### Treasurer's Report

In Sharon Hollkamp's absence Mayor Fore read the monthly treasurer's report for March, 2016 and copies were made available for all people in attendance. After a discussion, Commissioner McAllister made a motion to accept as reported. Commissioner Renninger seconded the motion which then carried unanimously.

### Warrants

In Sharon Hollkamp's absence Mayor Fore read the warrants for March, 2016 and copies were made available for all people in attendance. After a discussion, Commissioner Renninger made a motion to accept as reported. Commissioner McAllister seconded the motion which carried without opposition.

### Attorney's Report

Attorney Emery had nothing new about which to report.

### Police Report

Police Chief Griffin reported the following for March;

- Offense Reports: 1
- Accident Reports: 0
- Arrests: 2
- Traffic Stops: 24
- Citations Issued: 17
- Warnings Issued: 7
- Contact with Other Agencies: 10
- House Watches: 4
- Courtesy Notices: 1
- Directed Patrols: 1
- Calls for Service: 19

### Police Report (cont.)

- License Plates Confiscated: 5
- Motorists Assists: 5
- Funeral Watches: 0

### March, 2016 Highlights;

- All officers completed KLC recommended monthly training,
- The offense report was for possession of a forged instrument,
- The directed patrol was for traffic issues on Blowing Tree,
- The Department supported the City Easter Egg Hunt,
- All businesses in the shopping centers checked daily,
- Golden Watch residents checked weekly,
- Explorer and Impala are in good working order.

### Presentation to Resident Jeff Perry

The City presented to resident Jeff Perry a 'Letter of Commendation' for providing crucial information that led to the discovery and apprehension of the suspect responsible for the recent burglary on Haviland Ave.

### Gun Range Qualification

Both Mayor Fore & Commissioner Renninger qualified at the gun range this past week.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Parks

Commissioner Eskridge declared the Easter Egg Hunt as a success with a good turnout, good weather and under budget. This Saturday is the Brightside cleanup. The meeting location is Hurstbourne Parkway and Taylorsville Rd at 10:00 am. The retree process and contest continues with the current number of entries at 30. Finally, he displayed an example of the new yard sale signs that were recently purchased.

### Sanitation

Commissioner McAllister reported that the contract with Eco-Tech can either be renewed for another year at no change in cost or rebid. After a discussion, the Commission approved a renewal of the existing contract.

Regarding the fence ordinance that was revised in 2015, Commissioner McAllister recommended that all portions of the original and amended ordinance be incorporated.

The current ordinance only includes that part of Ordinance 7, Series 2002 that was amended.

The logs at the end of Blowing Tree have still not been removed. Mayor Fore said he would again check with the construction foreman of the new apartments being built off of Bunsen Way to see if they will assist.

Resident Marty Dunn also mentioned that a large piece of debris from the construction process is stuck high in a tree on Blowing Tree that needs to be removed. Finally, there has been no further word from the owners of the Camden Meadows Apartments regarding the sidewalk project.

### Roads

Commissioner Nichols reported that new street signs should be installed within the next 3 weeks, weather permitting. The Park signs should also be installed within the next 3 weeks. Commissioner Eskridge advised that there is room in the park shed for the old street signs until the surplus property process is done. Commissioner Nichols mentioned that she is still gathering information for the replacement of the City entrance signs with no time frame for completion. (cont.)

### **Roads (cont.)**

Finally, she stated that as a result of someone's party in the city park the week of the Easter Egg Hunt, some broken glass from a bottle was found in the gazebo. All of that debris was subsequently cleaned up by a concerned resident(s).

### **Police**

Commissioner Renninger reported that she is seeking a grant to purchase personal body cameras for the officers. In other news, our Police Department is working on a handgun safety workshop for residents. As an ethics reminder, some new businesses might offer a commissioner or other city employees a discount on food or even a free meal. The response should be 'thanks, but no thanks'. Finally, the 'see something, say something' program in the City is working. More and more residents call due to the information provided by Chief Griffin in the City newsletter.

### **Audit**

Mayor Fore received the final audit for the fiscal year from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. The report was 'clean'. A copy of the audit was forwarded to the appropriate state department in Frankfort. This will allow our City to continue to receive the municipal road aid funds.

### **Fence Permit Application**

The City received a fence permit application from the owner of the property at 1804 Addington Ave. After a discussion, Commissioner McAllister, who has already talked with the owner, pointed out that part of the plan is not in compliance with the ordinance. Mayor Fore deferred approval until Commissioner McAllister can further explain the requirements of the ordinance to the owner and get the plan changed accordingly.

### **First Reading of Ad Valorem Ordinance**

Mayor Fore completed the first reading of Ordinance #2, Series 2016, establishing the tax rate on all real and personal property in the City of Hurstbourne Acres, Kentucky for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

### **First Reading of Budget Ordinance**

Mayor Fore completed the first reading of Ordinance #3, Series 2016, establishing the budget for the City of Hurstbourne Acres, Kentucky for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

### **Miscellaneous**

Resident Brent Hardin reminded everyone about the impending mosquito season. Commissioner Eskridge offered to include information in the Parks section of the newsletter about how residents can help reduce the mosquito problem in our area.

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Bolten, City Clerk