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www.hurstbourneacres.org

Next City Meeting
Thursday, April 9, 2019 - Teleconference @ 6:30 pm

From Mayor Terry

I know most of us would like to be watching our favorite NCAA basketball teams and eating at our preferred restaurants, but we have a crisis, the Coronavirus (COVID-19), that has disrupted the normal routines of each and every one of us. We all are adjusting to things we never thought we would encounter in our lifetime.

I don't want to rehash what the media has covered very thoroughly. However, I must ask everyone to take this situation serious and comply with the new temporary regulations set forth by our State's Governor.

I have been in Teleconference meetings with Governor Beshear and Mayor Fischer and can tell you nothing relevant has come from these meetings that you haven't heard from the local media.

I am confident as we move forward in the coming weeks we will defeat this pandemic. Don't forget, wash your hands with soap for 20 seconds and use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

Due to the Coronavirus, the April 9th City Meeting will be accessible to the public via video conferencing. Anyone wanting to attend the meeting should **contact the Mayor by April 6th** to get a link to join the meeting. All attendees will have the opportunity to be heard during the public comment section of the meeting.

PLEASE E-MAIL REQUEST TO mayorterry@hurstbourneacres.org or TEXT (502)774-4418.

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Lieutenant: Christopher Flowers

Sergeant: Kevin Mills **Officers:** David Fiechter

Eddie Mundo Gary Phelps Susan Stivers



Parks and Recreation Troy Eskridge

Due to directives from the Governor and health care officials, our traditional Easter Egg Hunt for this year will be cancelled, but we have an alternative plan in place so the children of our City can still enjoy hunting eggs. Details are in another article in this newsletter.

Also based on a government directive, the park and playground will be closed from now until May $10^{\rm th}$.

The community garden planning committee will continue to prepare for plots to be developed for this coming Spring. The only change is that we will be communicating via e-mail and text and not conducting face to face meetings. Of course things may change in the upcoming months but stay tuned to the newsletter for any changes or cancellations.

This is an unprecedented time in the history of our world and we will get through it. Take the time to enjoy nature and spend quality time with family. We will all get through this together.



Bunny Hop Around The Block

Bunny Hop around the Block is the alternative to our traditional Easter Egg Hunt. We are hoping all of our residents will participate. Here's what we need to do:

- 1. On one of your trips to the grocery, buy three or four dozen plastic eggs and fill them with individually wrapped candy.
- 2. Hang the Easter egg picture attached to this newsletter in a window or door so children can see it from the street. Feel free to color the picture before hanging, if you'd like. That will make it more visible, but isn't necessary. *Please have the egg picture displayed no later than Wednesday, April 8th*. Families who are taking neighborhood walks can begin hunting eggs so they will know which residents are participating.
- 3. Our original Easter Egg Hunt was scheduled for Saturday, April 10th, so we're asking you to place your filled eggs in a basket or box on your porch by 10:00 AM that day. Children can go up on your porch and take THREE eggs. (We're relying on the honor system.) Bring the remaining eggs in at dusk and put them back out on Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM for any children who didn't get to *Bunny Hop around the Block* on Saturday.
- 4. Ask your neighbors (by phone, of course) to participate and invite family and friends to bring their children. They can walk our City hunting eggs while keeping a safe distance from others.

This event is a combination of an Easter Egg Hunt and Trick-or-Treating. We hope it will be lots of fun for the children in our City as well as the adults. We can all enjoy hunting for eggs that have been hung in windows or doors. The more residents who participate, the more fun it will be for the kids.

If you have any questions, please call or text Kim Bloomer (502)435-7062. You can also e-mail her at kimbloomer58@gmail.com.

Golden Watch

Teresa Renninger

DO THE FIVE

- 1. **HANDS** Wash them often.
- 2. **ELBOW** Cough and sneeze into it.
- 3. **FACE** Don't touch it.
- 4. **FEET** Stay more than 6 feet away from others.
- 5. **FEEL** sick? Stay home.

People ages 60 and up are at higher risk of novel coronavirus infection. Symptoms include fever, dry cough and difficulty breathing and it's primarily spread between people. Here's how older adults can prepare and protect themselves from the novel coronavirus.

Take Precautions

- Cancel non-essential doctor's appointments.
- Schedule telehealth sessions for appointments you can't miss.
- Designate an emergency contact.
- Wash your hands frequently. (Scrub for 20 seconds with soap and water.)
- Use hand sanitizer when soap isn't available.

Stock Up

- Make sure you have enough groceries and household products to last you a "prolonged period of time" at home.
- Prescription medication may be difficult to get ahead of time, so consider mail ordering

Travel

• Avoid nonessential travel.

Life

• Stay at home as much as possible.

- In public, avoid crowds and poorly ventilated buildings.
- Keep several feet of distance from people.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after going in public.
- If you need to isolate, keep in touch with family and friends.

Please stay at home and if you need something, contact the Hurstbourne Acres Police Department. They will contact one of the commissioners to pick up anything you might need.

As always, if you see something, say something!

Police Chief Steve Griffin

I had a planned topic for this article and I'll cover that in a minute. First however, I'll take a moment and talk about the current concern on everyone's mind.

The changes to our lives due to the Coronavirus situation have everyone justifiably worried. Right now changes and updates are constantly being implemented to try to address this issue and things are in a state of flux. Only time will tell when or how this will play out. What is important, at this point, is to remain reasonable and not to let our fears run off with us. Maybe we can even use this bad situation as a good reason to reexamine what we consider to be "important" in our lives. My best advice now, as always, is to keep informed, remain calm, care for yourself and your loved ones, seek help when needed and offer help when appropriate. Often times a simple act of kindness or service, either given or received, is all that is needed to change everything for someone. Your Police Department is here to serve you. If you need assistance we will come. Routine issues will be handled over the phone if possible but, if you need us, we will come. Our Officers will also assist our residents, if possible, with non-law enforcement issues that require immediate attention. We do not pretend to have all the answers or be able to help

with everything but, we are all here to serve Hurstbourne Acres to the best of our ability. I will use my last comment as a segment into what I had planned to address this month. I am proud of this Police Department and I am going to take a few moments to tell you a few things about it.

We have just completed a re-accreditation process through the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police. This process requires an agency to provide documentation and proof of compliance of "Best Law Enforcement Practices" in over 170 different areas in 30 separate categories. Of the approximately 390 police agencies in Kentucky, only 125 agencies meet these standards and become accredited. The Hurstbourne Acres Police Department is and has been one of those 125 agencies. The Officers of this agency also set it apart. The average experience level of our Officers is approximately 30 years in law enforcement. This experience represents service in 14 separate agencies large, medium, and small. We have Officers who have been command officers at other agencies, narcotics investigators, detectives, arson investigators, corrections officers, law enforcement trainers, and even a helicopter pilot. All of the Officers here have chosen a career of service to others and have chosen to be here. Like all First Responders, they routinely place the needs and the safety of the public above their own and I am proud of them and the job they do for this agency. The Officers of the Hurstbourne Acres Police Department are here to serve our residents, please let us know how we can help.

As always, if you see something, say something.

Streets and Lights Donna Nichols

PLEASE, I am asking all to follow the guidelines that have been issued to stay safe from the CV. We all need to put forth the effort in order to keep our City CV free.

If you have an elderly neighbor, who is unable to get out, check on them and ask if there is anything that they may need,

A special thanks to Kim Bloomer, our Newsletter editor, who called myself and my neighbor, Ms. Woods, She knew that we live alone and asked if there was anything we needed, as she was going out. Indeed, it is wonderful to have a caring neighbor like Kim!

Again, please stay safe and follow the guidelines set forth by our Governor.

Sanitation Chris Bohnenkamp

I would like to encourage residents of our community to attend our monthly meetings to keep informed on the issues and activities happening in our City. (The next meeting will not be an in-person meeting, but will be via teleconferencing.)

Happy Easter to All!

CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ACRES March, 2020 Minutes – DRAFT

The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM on March 12, 2020 at the meeting room of the Hurstbourne Acres City Hall/Police Department, 1916 Hurstbourne Circle, Louisville, Kentucky, with the following persons present;

- Terry McAllister, Mayor
- Christine Bohnenkamp, Commissioner
- Troy Eskridge, Commissioner
- Donna Nichols, Commissioner
- Teresa Renninger, Commissioner
- Tammy R Baker, Attorney
- Amy B Underwood, Treasurer
- Steve Griffin, Police Chief
- Michael Bolten, Clerk
- Lenny Miles, Resident
- Amy Tanner, Guest
- Doug Rogers, Resident
- William R Noel, Resident
- Kim Bloomer, Newsletter Editor

- Bob Swoboda, Resident
- Carol Swoboda, Resident

February 13, 2020 Minutes

Commissioner Eskridge made a motion to accept the minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and carried without opposition.

Treasurer's Report

Amy Underwood presented the treasurer's report for February, 2020. Commissioner Renninger made a motion to approve, and was seconded by Commissioner Eskridge. The motion carried unopposed.

Warrants

Amy Underwood read the warrants for February, 2020. Commissioner Eskridge made a motion to accept as read. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger and passed unanimously.

Audit Report

Treasurer Underwood advised that the audit report for the last fiscal year has been received. It was characterized as very positive. Mayor McAllister noted that the audit now only needs to be completed every 2 years due to the size of our city.

Police Report

Police Chief Griffin reported the following for February, 2020;

| • | Offense reports | 1 |
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| • | Accident reports | 0 |
| • | Arrests | 1 |
| • | Traffic stops | 16 |
| • | Citations issued | 10 |
| • | Warnings issued | 6 |
| • | Contacts with other agencies | 5 |
| • | House watches | 3 |
| • | Courtesy notices | 1 |
| • | Directed patrols | 0 |

| • | Calls for service | 25 |
|---|----------------------------|----|
| • | License plates confiscated | 4 |
| • | Motorists assists | 3 |
| • | Funeral watches | 0 |

February Highlights

- All officers completed Kentucky League of Cities recommended monthly training.
- The 1 offense report was for a theft from Massage Envy.
- The Department successfully completed the re-accreditation process with the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police.
- The Department completed a safety and liability audit with the Kentucky League of Cities scoring 95%.
- All Golden Watch residents checked on weekly.
- All businesses in shopping centers checked on daily.
- Explorer and Taurus are in good working order.
- Chief Griffin designed and printed a flyer for a free upcoming Active Shooter Seminar. The date for the seminar is still to be determined.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Baker reminded everyone that the hearing for the sidewalk project is March 23rd at 11:00 am. She emphasized that the purpose of the hearing is only to show the Court that there is a need.

Secondly, Attorney Baker completed the second reading of Ordinance #2, Series 2020, establishing the investment policy of the City of Hurstbourne Acres. Commissioner Eskridge made a motion to enact and ordain which was seconded by Commissioner Nichols. A formal vote was then taken. Mayor McAllister and Commissioner Eskridge voted in favor with Commissioners Nichols, Renninger and Bohnenkamp voting against. Therefore, the motion to enact and ordain did not carry.

Attorney Baker completed the first reading of Ordinance #3, Series 2020 amending the City's Budget Ordinance #5, Series 2019.

Lastly, regarding the *Group Home* issue, the manager, when contacted, referred to it as a *supervised residence*. Attorney Baker said she will research further to see what that means legally, but confirmed that the home has no permits or applications filed with Louisville Metro.

COMMITTEE REPORTS Parks

Commissioner Eskridge reported that the steering committee, after a walk through, decided on a general location for the creation of a community garden in the Park. The committee also discussed the types of structures and number of plots. Based on the discussion, the initial maximum cost would be about \$1500. Two grant requests have been submitted with no reply back yet, and Commissioner Eskridge has also contacted places like Lowe's, Home Depot, Meijer and Wal-Mart asking for donations.

In other news, the Easter Egg Hunt is planned for April 11th at 2:00 pm. Commissioner Eskridge is working on a rain backup plan with a local business with plenty of space to accommodate the event.

The scheduled playground maintenance inspection was completed with the checklist form and all necessary issues were addressed.

Lastly, our Park landscaper and grass cutting vendor who also provides the leaf pickup service is retiring. Commissioner Eskridge is working on finding a replacement.

Sanitation

Commissioner Bohnenkamp received a call from a resident about how to have a large item picked up by Ecotech. She advised the resident to call Ecotech directly, and they will work out the details.

In other news, trash is accumulating along the wall being reconstructed on Hurstbourne Lane. The general consensus is that it is from the construction crew. Mayor McAllister said that he would make sure they take care of the problem. Also discussed was a problem with some of the light poles not being adequately secured, and people not cleaning up after their dogs.

Police

Commissioner Renninger reported on recent ordinance violations; barking dogs and cars parked on grass areas.

Also, any police officer feeling ill has been instructed to stay home.

Lastly, Police Chief Griffin was thanked for the work put in to get our police department reaccredited.

Streets and Lights

Commissioner Nichols mentioned a letter that was sent out to all residents from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. They are having a meeting on March 26 to discuss the proposed changes to Hurstbourne Parkway. Commissioners Nichols and Renninger both said that they would be attending.

Lastly, Commissioner Nichols expressed her concern about the removal of her section from the last newsletter without her knowledge. Originally in the last newsletter, she mentioned a meeting that was to be held Feb 2nd concerning annexation of Arboro Place and Hallsdale. She went on to say that "as a Commissioner, whom you elected, I feel our present residents are being totally left out of this issue. You, as residents, deserve a say as to how you feel about this. I would encourage you as residents to contact the Mayor and ask him to schedule a meeting for the current residents of Hurstbourne Acres. My most important duty as a Commissioner is to stand up for our residents who elected me."

After a lengthy discussion, Mayor McAllister agreed, in the future, to contact the writer of any section in question before a decision is made to remove the article and print the newsletter.

Old/New Business Miscellaneous

Mayor McAllister reported that he now has the wheel stops for the Park and is waiting for the appropriate time to get them installed.

Finally, he instructed Streets Commissioner Nichols to work on getting the *No Parking This Side*

markings painted on Hurstbourne Circle. He advised that he may get Hurstbourne Circle cleaned before the painting is started.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Michael Bolten, Clerk

