

The City of Hurstbourne Acres Post January, 2021

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Next City Meeting Thursday, February 11, 2021 Teleconference @ 6:30 p.m. E-mail Mayor Terry at <u>mayorterry@hurstbourneacres.org</u> for a link to the on-line meeting.

# From Mayor Terry

I want to remind everyone to support our local businesses. Most of them have struggled through this past year. These small businesses are a huge part of the Hurstbourne Acres revenue stream that affords our economy.

Please send your request to join the meeting

to mayorterry@hurstbourneacres.org

STAY SAFE.



# City of Hurstbourne Acres Police Info

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# Parks and Recreation Troy Eskridge

When the park/playground opens for spring, there are several items that need to be addressed. First is the playground mulch. We will need to get another load of filler so that we meet minimum standards. We also need some minor repair to the gazebo and picnic tables. Also, both gazebo and tables could use another coat of stain. Finally, there needs to be a better locking mechanism for springhouse door. I will have a rough estimate of the costs in the February city meeting. Have a safe Valentine's Day.

# Golden Watch

Teresa Renninger

# Spring-Is Right around the Corner and A Great Time to Inventory

Begin your spring preparations by taking a household inventory. Household inventories can help with the following: in case of storm damage, a fire, break-in, or just to know what you have accumulated over the years. This task could seem overwhelming, but it could be as simple as getting out a pad of paper and simply writing down the make model and serial number or a brief description of each of the items you own, room-byroom.

Another method you might use is getting out your camera on your phone or maybe a regular camera and take a picture of each room and the serial numbers of each item. If you take a video while walking through each room, you can be record a verbal description of items as you go through your house.

You could also go on the Internet and print a home inventory form you can find there. Many insurance companies give these to their customers so you might check with your insurance carrier. An accurate inventory and proof of ownership at the time of loss can make filing an insurance claim or police report much easier and faster. The inventory may be time consuming to prepare, but the time and frustration it may save you later will be well worth the effort.

> Always remember, If You See Something, Say Something.

# **Police** Chief Steve Griffin

So far, we have been blessed with a mild winter but that could change at any time. Make sure you prepare your homes and vehicles for the potential winter weather.

Vehicles need to be checked for anti-freeze levels, battery condition, tire pressure, and windshield wiper fluid. It is also a good idea to carry some emergency items in your vehicle such as warm clothing/blankets, some snacks and water in case you should be stranded due to bad weather or a break down.

Also make sure your homes are winterized as necessary and any exposed plumbing is insulated against the cold. A few small precautions can go a long way towards preventing serious trouble. Finally, take the time to adequately clean off your car windows before you drive down the street. Only clearing a small patch on the windshield and attempting to drive is not only unsafe, but also considered Reckless Driving under Kentucky Law. Do not put yourself and/or others in danger for the sake of convenience.

If you see something, say something.

# Streets and Lights

Using a part of the Covid monies, I brought up the fact that we needed another PT officer on 12 PM – 8 AM shift. I discussed this with Commissioner Renninger and perhaps these monies would pay for this position for 2 years. After this, we would need to look elsewhere. She had an excellent idea about rental property.

For those who are unaware, quite a few years ago, the Fire Department required this City to yellow stripe the residential side of the Circle and block of Hurstbourne Ln that ends at Hurstbourne Pkwy to ensure NO PARKING, in order for fire trucks to get thru if needed. This was no longer necessary a few years ago, and as eliminated. This was indeed an enhancement to our City streets!

# Sanitation

# Chris Bohnenkamp

A new year - Information to remember:

**Recycle** – Please put in clear bags or loose. **Trash** - needs to be bagged if possible.

# Happy Valentine's Day!



# Regular Trash Collection Schedule

Yard Waste & Recycling	Monday
Trash	Tuesday

# **CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ACRES**

January 14, 2021 Minutes DRAFT

The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM on January 14, 2021 via video conferencing, joined by the following persons:

- Terry McAllister, Mayor
- Christine Bohnenkamp, Commissioner
- Troy Eskridge, Commissioner
- Donna Nichols, Commissioner
- Teresa Renninger, Commissioner
- Tammy R Baker, Attorney
- Amy Underwood, Treasurer
- Michael Bolten, Clerk
- Kim Bloomer, Newsletter Editor
- Marilyn Miles, Resident
- Doug Rogers, Resident
- Bob & Carol Swoboda, Residents
- Paul Schneider, Resident

# December 10, 2020 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**

The Commission completed the review of the November Treasurer's report. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to accept as furnished. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger which carried unanimously. The Treasurer's report for December was then reviewed. Commissioner Eskridge made a motion to accept the report as furnished. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion which carried without opposition.

#### <u>Warrants</u>

The Commissioners completed the review of the warrants for November. Commissioner Renninger made a motion to approve as outlined. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bohnenkamp and carried unanimously. A motion was made by Commissioner Eskridge to approve the December warrants. Commissioner Renninger seconded the motion which carried unopposed.

Lastly, Treasurer Underwood advised that there were six outstanding property tax bills. She was instructed by Mayor McAllister to send a follow up letter. For those that do not reply, our attorney will start the process of placing a lien on the properties in question.

# Police Report

Police Commissioner Teresa Renninger reported the following for December 2020 & Annually:

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•	Offense reports	7 (43 for 2020)
•	Accident report	0 (2 for 2020)
•	Arrests	5 (22 for 2020)
٠	Traffic stops	4 (118 for
	2020)	
•	Citations issued	3 (67 for 2020)
٠	Warnings issued	1 (51 for 2020)
•	Contacts with other agencies	3 (21 for 2020)
•	House watches	1 (31 for 2020)
•	Courtesy notices	1 (12 for 2020)
•	Directed patrols	0 (0 for 2020),
٠	Calls for service	41 (432 for
	2020)	

- License plates confiscated 1 (23 for 2020)
- Motorists assists 3 (35 for 2020)
- Funeral watches 0 (2 for 2020)

December Highlights

- Department continues to utilize revised operating procedures during the COVID-19 situation.
- All officers completed KLC recommended monthly training.
- The seven offense reports were for an assault at the Meadows Apartments, receiving stolen property in Hunnington Shopping Center, terroristic threatening in East Chase Apartments, a shoplifting at Shoe Carnival and three shopliftings at Liquor Barn.
- All Golden Watch residents checked on weekly.
- All businesses in shopping centers checked on daily.
- Explorer and Taurus are in good working order.

2020 Department Highlights

- Department implemented revised safety and operating procedures in response to COVID-19,
- Department supported all city sponsored events (Easter Bunny Hop & Christmas Walk),
- Alcohol Beverage Control Licenses were renewed for all businesses that serve and/or sell alcohol,
- Golden Watch program continues and currently includes 6 residents,
- Lieutenant Flowers and Officer Mundo resigned from the agency,
- Officer Gingerich was hired,
- Sergeant Mills was promoted to Lieutenant and Officer Fiechter was promoted to Sergeant,
- Department completed its third five-year Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police Re-Accreditation process,
- Department completed a Kentucky League of Cities Safety & Liability audit,

- All officers completed their mandatory annual in-service training through the Department of Criminal Justice Training,
- All officers completed monthly Kentucky League of Cities recommended training,
- All officers completed Spring and Fall firearms training to include day and night qualifications with duty handguns, off-duty handguns and patrol rifles,
- All officers completed annual use-of-force training,
- All officers completed annual OSHA mandated training,
- Annual inventory was conducted with all department equipment accounted for.

# Attorney's Report

Attorney Baker reminded everyone of the upcoming 'hearing' on February 26, 2021 at 1:30 pm regarding the proposed sidewalk along Blowing Tree Road.

In other news, there has been a new complaint about the property on Taylorsville Road that has been discussed previously. According to the complaint, the pool at the property is not being properly maintained which could lead to an infestation of rodents and other nuisance animals. She recommended that the City send the owner a letter and if there is no response, cite them under the nuisance ordinance. Mayor McAllister agreed with the recommendation and instructed the attorney to send a letter giving them the suggested 15 days to reply.

Finally, Attorney Baker proposed the passage of a resolution which would request the General Assembly to increase motor fuel taxes or review the allocation process for distribution of revenue to cities for infrastructure expenses, i.e. revenue-sharing programs funded by state motor fuel taxes. Although Attorney Baker completed the reading, the Commission wanted more time to examine the resolution. The actual vote of the resolution is being postponed until the February meeting.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS Parks

Commissioner Eskridge thanked Commissioner Renninger for helping to distribute masked to residents. If a resident did not get one and still would like to have one, they can contact Commissioner Eskridge. In other news, he was able to provide photos of a newly cleaned out spring house. From the CARE funds, the City was able to get seven licenses for Microsoft Office. The licenses have been distributed to City personnel as needed.

# **Sanitation**

Commissioner Bohnenkamp did not have anything new to report.

# **Streets and Lights**

Commissioner Nichols did not have anything new to report.

# **Police**

Commissioner Renninger reported the businesses were very thankful and appreciative for getting the masks from the City. She advised, in other news, that grant money has been received, along with money from Kentucky HB 413. Finally, she brought up the question about installing another one or two speed humps on Hurstbourne Lane. Following a discussion, it was agreed that further consideration is warranted. The discussion included a suggestion from Commissioner Eskridge to put back striping that once helped to define that stretch of Hurstbourne Lane as one way.

# **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor McAllister is still working on getting bids for landscaping on Bunsen Parkway. The property owner of the old Pier One building is selling and it will be used as a medical facility. The same person owns BoomBozz and was told he cannot sell that property for use as a drive through. Lastly, with the additional revenue from the CARES Act, we are looking into purchasing another police vehicle.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Michael Bolten, City Clerk