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The City of Hurstbourne Acres Post November 2022

Next City Meeting

Thursday – December 8, 2022
6:30 p.m.

Hurstbourne Acres City Hall

From the Mayor . . .

I want to thank everyone that voted for me, and let those who didn't, know I will be working hard to make all Hurstbourne Acres residents glad I'm their mayor.

Don't forget . . . if you turned 65 this year you need to apply for your homestead exemption before January 1st. Contact the Jefferson County PVA for details.

City of Hurstbourne Acres Police Info

Dept. Mobile: (502)553-7318
Police Dispatch: (502)574-5400
Office: (502)499-2352

Chief of Police: Steve Griffin
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Sergeant:
Officers: Todd Hale
Mike Holston
Susan Stivers
Paul Wheatley



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Parks and Recreation

Troy Eskridge

Leaf Pick-up – Our final leaf pick up window begins December 5th. Please remember to have your leaves raked to the edge of the street (within 5-7 feet) and remove any sticks, limbs, or debris. Please have your leaves ready on Monday or Tuesday of the pick-up window to ensure they get picked up. Weather or equipment problems could delay pick up. A reach alert will be sent out if there are major delays.

Save the Dates

December 16 - Starts at Dusk
Neighborhood Holiday Walk

Take the family out for a walk and take in the beautiful Christmas lights and holiday decorations. Be sure to take note of the houses with the best holiday decor. We will be having a contest with votes to be cast at our annual Holiday Party. There will be two categories, Classic Christmas and Most Spectacular!

December 17 from 2:00 – 5:00
Holiday Party at Nunnlea House



Our yearly holiday party is just around the corner. We will have appetizers and desserts by Heitzman's Bakery, pictures with Santa from 2:30 to 4:00, and announce our winners of *The Best Holiday House Decorating Contest*. **Our charities for this year are *Paws for a Cause* and *My Dog Eats First*.** *Paws for a Cause* is a 503C that provides service dogs to people in need. They need "non stuffing" toys (like Kongs), leaders and leashes, and poop bags. *My Dog Eats First* is a 503C that provides pet food for Louisville pet owners who are in need. They need dry and wet pet food.

Speaking of Pets . . . Please be a good neighbor and clean up after your pet.

Sanitation

Christine Bohnenkamp

Reminder to all: Live Christmas trees will be picked up for 2 weeks after Christmas. There will be no change in pickup days as the holidays fall on the weekend.

Hope all have a bountiful Thanksgiving!



Regular Waste Pick-up Schedule

Monday	Yard Waste & Recycling
Tuesday	Trash

Streets and Lights

Donna Nichols

Hoping each of you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving,
Within the next week, you should see some City Christmas decorations begin to go up.

Golden Watch

Teresa Renninger



Tis the Season to be “Cautious”

Yes, you read that right I said “Cautious! We all get in a rush in the holiday season and forget some basic safety concerns. Here are a few to think about:

- If someone knocks on your door and you have not contacted them for services, **“DO NOT OPEN YOUR DOOR”** to them. It doesn’t matter if it is noon or 2 AM or anywhere in between. It doesn’t matter if they say they are a neighbor who just moved in and need help, or a realtor who wants to know if anyone is selling their house, or a roofer and your roof needs to be replaced. If you have not called these people, you are under no obligation to open your home to them. If you feel unsafe call 911 right away and then dial the Hurstbourne Acres Police cell phone (502) 553-7318.
- If out in your car and there are people collecting for an unknown charity on the street corner, you don’t have to give to them. Keep your window rolled up and keep on going. Instead give to a charitable organization that you know will put that money to good use.
- If you are in the Kroger, Target, Speedway, or any shopping center parking lot and are approached by a person and they give you a

sad story, do not give to them. Instead, tell them you will call the police for them, and they will gladly help them. Also, tell the store manager that there is someone in their lot pan handling. It is your right to say “NO”.

- When doing your holiday shopping, keep your packages in the trunk or out of site. Always lock your car and **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PURSE IN THE CAR**. Never leave your car unlocked.
- If you have a live Christmas tree in your home, **please keep it watered**. A dry Christmas tree is a fire hazard.
- Finally, when out at holiday events, **please refrain from telling the cyber world**. This is like telling every thief, I am not home come break into my house. Instead take pictures on your phone and post them after the event and tell the cyber world how great the event was.

Always be aware of your surroundings.

As Always,

If You See Something, Say Something!



I would like to thank all of those who went out and voted. I will continue to do the best job for the residents of Hurstbourne Acres. I would also like to thank everyone who ran for office. Please continue to come to the meetings and be involved in our city.

Commissioner Renninger

Police

Chief Steve Griffin

As we move into December, many will be making final preparations for the coming holiday season. As you plan your shopping sprees and look for all the big sales, please remember that thieves are also ramping up for the season.

Make sure that you do not leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicles while shopping. Valuables in plain sight make your vehicle a prime target for thieves that frequent the parking lots of stores and shopping malls during this time of year. If you plan on taking advantage of the ease of on-line shopping, please make sure to track the delivery of your packages and plan to have someone home to accept delivery if possible. It's not uncommon for thieves to follow delivery trucks around looking for packages being left at houses with no one home. We have all seen the videos these "porch pirates" stealing packages off porches minutes after they were delivered. A little pre-planning and some simple common-sense practices will greatly reduce the chance of you and your family becoming victims of theft during the holiday season.

Also remember the cities House Watch Program as you plan your holiday travels. We would be happy to keep an eye on your home while you are out of town vacationing and visiting loved ones. You can find House Watch Forms on-line at <http://www.hurstbourneacres.org/police/policeforms.html> or we would be happy to bring a House Watch Form by your home if you'd like.

We have hired Officer Paul Wheatley for our afternoon shift. Officer Wheatley retired from the Jeffersontown Police Department and also worked for the Jefferson County Sheriff's office for a number of years before coming to us. Please take the time to say hello and introduce yourself if you happen to run into Officer Wheatley around the city.

If you see something, say something!



A Thoughtful Gift

The last two times I've checked the Little Library, it was nearly empty. I **LOVE** seeing our Little Free Library almost empty! That means our friends and neighbors are reading.

Since it's nearing the gift-giving season, I have an idea for you. How about picking up a book or two for our Little Free Library? If you'd like to donate a book in honor of, or in memory of someone, complete the information form below, drop the book(s) and the form off at my house (1910 Woodfield Rd.) I'll add a label to the inside with your name, donation date, and the name of the person you are honoring with your donation. I will also include a list in the December newsletter of donations made in honor of or in memory of someone.

We need books for all ages: children, teens, and adults. *Half-price Books* is right in our area and is a great place to purchase books at reduced prices if you don't have any books at home to donate. *Dollar Tree* also has some good books for just \$1.25 (plus tax).

Kimberly Bloomer

Cut out form and place it in the book before giving it to Kim Bloomer. Donating more than one book, just write the same information on a piece of paper and insert in the book.

Little Free Library Book Donation Form

Title _____

Donated in honor of or in memory of
(circle one)

Donated by _____

CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ACRES

November 10, 2022

Minutes

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The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM on November 10, 2022, 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
- Steve Griffin, Police Chief
- John Bloomer, Treasurer
- Finn Cato, City Attorney
- Michael Bolten, Clerk
- Bob & Carol Swoboda, Residents
- John Bohnenkamp, Resident
- Tom Theiss, Resident
- Lenny Miles, Resident
- Doug Rogers, Resident
- Jim Lynch, Resident

October 13 Minutes

Commissioner Nichols made a motion to accept the minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eskridge and carried unopposed.

Treasurer's Report

John Bloomer presented the Treasurer's Report for October. Commissioner Bohnenkamp made a motion to accept. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renninger which carried unanimously. The audit has been received and Treasurer Bloomer gave an overview. No changes were recommended.

Warrants

John Bloomer read the warrants for October. Commissioner Renninger made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eskridge and carried unanimously.

Police Report

Police Chief Griffin reported the following for October:

• Offense reports	3
• Accident reports	2
• Arrests	0
• Traffic stops	2
• Citations issued	1
• Warnings issued	1
• Contacts with other agencies	1
• House watches	7
• Courtesy notices	0
• Directed patrols	0
• Calls for service	38
• License plates confiscated	0
• Motorists assists	1
• Funeral watches	0

October Highlights

- All officers completed KLC recommended monthly training.
- Department conducted active shooter training for Civil Design, Inc.
- The three offense reports were for a burglary in the Meadows Apartments, criminal possession of a forged instrument at Speedway, and a theft at Kyushu Japanese Restaurant.
- Department supported the Nunnlea Craft Fair.
- Sergeant Hile resigned from the Department.
- Officer Wheatley was hired.
- All Golden Watch residents checked on weekly.
- All businesses in shopping centers checked on daily.
- Durango is undergoing repairs from a collision.
- All other vehicles are in good working order.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Cato sent a letter to AT&T regarding money allegedly owed by Hurstbourne Acres. There is no update on either the PuppyGram situation at Taylorhurst or the sidewalk situation on Blowing Tree Road.

Fence Permit Application

The Commission reviewed the fence permit application for the property at 9008 Haviland Ave. Following a brief discussion, the fence permit application was approved. The clerk was given instructions to advise the owner of the decision.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park

Commissioner Eskridge advised that the date for the upcoming annual Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 17 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The Walk-Around for the homes decorated for the holidays will be on Friday, December 16. That will allow residents to vote at the party the next day. All details will be shared on Reach Alert. Commissioner Renninger suggested that we incorporate a service project as the City did during past Christmas Parties.

Sanitation

Commissioner Bohnenkamp presented three different pickup options for large items. Option #1 would be twice a year, both on Saturday, at no extra cost. The dates would be announced in advance. Option #2 would be a pickup day once every three months, also on Saturday, at a cost to the City of \$2000/year. Option #3 would be 1 bulk item/month/home at an annual cost to the City of \$5520. The option to call EcoTech at any time to pick up a large item will remain, but at a \$25 cost to the homeowner. The Commissioner agreed to wait until January, 2023 to make a final decision about which option to choose. City Attorney Cato recommended that whatever the decision, something in writing be obtained for the change to the contract.

Commissioner Bohnenkamp also mentioned another 'Pop-Up' recycle event will be held on November 19. She will advise residents through Reach Alert. Residents can also visit Metro District 11 Representative Kevin Kramer's website for more information.

Streets and Lights

Commissioner Nichols is working with Kim Bloomer on the Christmas decorations.

In other news, she reported that she called Hagan Properties regarding the need to paint a 'stop bar' at the stop sign when leaving the parking lot by Modern Vascular. The Hagan Property representative said she would contact Modern Vascular, who owns that part of the parking lot, and get back to her. Since Commissioner Nichols has not heard back, she advised that she will call Modern Vascular directly. Mayor McAllister agreed to get involved if the issue hasn't been resolved within a couple of weeks.

Police

Commissioner Renninger reported that the Opioid Abatement Funds became active on October 18. The Mayor acknowledged that he is working on it.

In other news, Commissioner Renninger expressed her concern about the officer retention problem in our City. She made suggestions about how to retain the officers we hire so the budget for the Police Department needs to be adjusted to include any incentives agreed upon. Regarding the list of restaurants offering a free meal to veterans on Veterans Day, Texas Roadhouse was left off the list.

Lastly, for those who ran for office, they will receive an e-mail concerning a 30 day post general election finance statement that has to be filled out. It must be completed between the 8th and 12th of December.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Bolten, City Clerk

Advice from a
SNOWMANTM

Be a jolly, happy soul

Spend time outdoors

Avoid meltdowns

Be well-rounded

Live well, life is short!

