



Meadow Vale News

MEADOW VALE OFFICIALS

Mayor

Mary Hornek
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Social & Special Events

Commissioner

Melissa Steineker
326-3711

Lights, Signs & Streets

Commissioner

Cathy Morrow
797-2558

Drainage Commissioner

Diane Roberts
412-6146

Safety Commissioner

Jason Newman
379-0190

Treasurer

Chris Lusher
767-0852

City Clerk

Matt Hammond
438-0278

City Hall

Non-emergency: 412-5500

Monthly Meetings

Date: 3rd Monday of each month

Time: 7:00pm

Place: 9408 Blossom Lane

Other Numbers

Jefferson Co. Emergency #
911

Meadow Vale Police

Aaron Yates
Officer on Duty: 548-2599
Non-emergency: 574-5471

Lyndon Fire Department

425-7474

Rumpke Sanitation

568-3800

LG&E

589-3500

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www.cityofmeadowvale.org

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Ethics Board Appointed

Residents of Meadow Vale agreeing to serve on the Ethics Board are Donald Aberli, Delson Craig, and Betsy Smith. Please express your appreciation to these civic-minded individuals for their willingness to serve under appointment of the Mayor and approval by the City Commission.



Rumpke Removal Updates/Holiday Schedules

Labor Day: Monday, Sept. 5, 2016

(Week of Sept. 4-10)

Waste and recycling service will not occur on Monday, Sept. 5, and service will be delayed one day during the rest of the week (e.g. Monday will move to Tuesday, and Tuesday will move to Wednesday, and so forth). Rumpke will return to its regular collection schedule the following week.

** Please be sure to empty any standing water sources in your yard. Watering Cans, buckets, and other stagnate water are breeding grounds for mosquitoes. Zika Virus among others is spread via mosquitoes. Let's do our part to keep the mosquitoes from thriving for a better/healthy summer!*

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Volunteers are a very important aspect of what makes Meadow Vale truly great. All the hard work and dedication that our residents give to keep our city clean and vibrant deserves an extra special thank you. The appreciation dinner will be Saturday August 20th.

If you have not already received an invitation and you have volunteered, we apologize for the omission. Please contact Pat Teeter at City Hall at 412-5500.

To RSVP, contact Commissioner Cathy Morrow at 797-2558.

MINUTES**City of Meadow Vale****July 18, 2016**

Mayor: Mary Hornek

Commissioners: Jason Newman, Melissa Steineker, Diane Roberts, Cathy Morrow

City Clerk: Matt Hammond

Treasurer: Chris Lusher

Counselor: Carrie Ritsert

Chief: Aaron Yates

Guests: James Tidwell, Anne Tidwell, Mike Jones, Mary Jones

Mayor Hornek called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

OPEN MEETING

Residents Open Discussion/Comments:

Hounz Lane: Resident found lots of teens walking through yards brazenly on Hounz Lane this summer. "Next Door" website is used to provide info among residents. No solicitation in Meadow Vale; door to door advertisements from a company called Security Systems has been noticed and Chief Yates is now aware of them.

10-13 "break-ins" in and around Meadow Vale from cars being vandalized that were left open, also garage doors being left open causing people to go through the cars parked in the garage. Block watch discussed. Waning resident interest is making it difficult to get an effective Block Watch program.

Cars being opened that are left unlocked. Tiverton Rd seems to be getting hit. Mini Ipad and an old cell phone stolen. LMPD/sheriffs office doesn't seem able to respond to mailbox vandalism/cars being left open. Possibly go door to door to get interest in block watch. Building relationships with our neighbors as an unorganized block watch because folks are not interested in committing to volunteering for a Block Watch program.

The [June Commission minutes](#) were read, motion to accept by Commissioner Steineker, second by Commissioner Newman, approved by unanimous vote.

Financial report: Treasurer Lusher presented the City of Meadow Vale June financial report. The report was reviewed. Total revenue is slightly higher (2%) due to more insurance being collected. Expenses are under budget due to less payroll expenses and audit costs were less than anticipated. Year end budget shows we have a \$66.00 surplus.

Authorization for Expenditure Forms: reviewed and discussed. Expenditures over \$25 need this form completed. Also available in an electronic form (must be printed out) as well as a paper hard copy. This needs to be filled out prior to actually purchasing/paying the vendor. This is a checks and balances system that complies with our annual audit.

Expense Reimbursement Form: not as common as the Authorization for Expenditure Form, but provide the receipt and your signature and the Mayor will review and approve the reimbursement pending prior approval of funds.

Questions about the forms, ask Treasurer Chris Lusher in the future.

The bank statements were made available for viewing.

Commissioner Steineker will do the Oversight Procedure Checklist of the budget.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Morrow, second by Commissioner Roberts. Approved by unanimous vote.

Report from Police Chief: Calls for service regarding pedestrian foot traffic coming through the city (they aren't residents).

12 house checks done in the past month. Continuing house checks with residents that are requesting them for residents going on vacation. 9 traffic violations (running stop signs), warnings issued as well as citations. Additional on street parking issues from new residents that didn't understand the parking ordinances. 1 injury accident in Kroger Plaza. Several calls to Worthington Hills (inter-local police agreement). Worthington Hills has approved an increase in patrol hours but has not indicated any new contract info regarding specifics of hours worked. Rolling Hills wants patrols in July on an emergency basis, we could not accommodate this. Strong indications of getting a permanent contract (inter-local police agreement) with Rolling Hills. Metro and Chief Yates are hopeful of obtaining new info on Meadow Vale cars having items stolen from un-locked cars and garages.

Mayor's Report:

Contracts for service vendors have been signed for next year.

Roberts Rule of Order will be observed for discussion and voting of issues.

Maintenance on the berm continues especially with litter removal. The hedges, bushes, and tree branches need trimming at the sidewalk near Hounz Lane and Tiverton. A person has been spotted loitering on the sidewalk near the corner of Tiverton and Hounz Lane near Hurstbourne Pkwy (KY 1747) on the sidewalk to the Zachary Taylor Elementary School. Bush/hedges are overgrown and a safety hazard. Commissioner Roberts will contact the homeowner about getting at the bushes/trees that are the issue.

OLD BUSINESS/Open Issues:

FISN: an investment account that has moved its location out of state. We need the FISN company to be located in Kentucky (state law) and we are looking to put it in a regular savings account. Motion to approve the move of the FISN account to a PNC savings account by Commissioner Newman, Seconded by Commissioner Morrow, motion approved unanimously.

City Government Classification: There are advantages and disadvantages to changing it or keeping it as it currently is.

Personnel officer job requirement/duties need to be discussed and passed as a municipal order. City Clerk will work on a draft.

Ordinance Codification nearly completed. We have worked to get them updated and ordered in chronological order. We have worked on getting old ordinances that we have not had copies of and comparing them to what is missing.

Employee Handbook: getting finished up with a target goal of September.

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Mayor Moment

Please be sure tree limbs do not hang over the street. Trees that do provide canopy over the streets must be trimmed at least 12 feet above the surface so as not to impede emergency vehicles, especially the fire trucks.

It is also vital that residents do their best to keep trees, shrubs, and other plantings from blocking street signs from vehicular traffic. It is important that drivers of autos and trucks be able to see the signs clearly. Your cooperation in this effort will be greatly appreciated while avoiding accidents.

Always enter and leave the city in accordance with the posted speed limit and be very cautious in watching for children playing as well as walkers and runners who may be using the streets since Meadow Vale has no sidewalks for their use.

Walkers and runners are reminded to walk on the side of the road while facing oncoming traffic (this is the side to your left). Be safe, use the correct side of the street as a best practice for safety.

Finally, be a good neighbor by keeping pets on a leash when not in a fenced yard and by cleaning up after them when going on walks.

— Mary Hornek

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LEGAL

Ethics Ordinance #4, Series 2016-2017 First Reading, Motion by Commissioner Roberts, Seconded by Commissioner Newman, passed unanimously. Counsel Ritsert read summary first reading. Discussion: New ordinance reflects current state and city ordinances in one document. Also completes the requirement for a City of Ethics from the states requirements. This new info comes from KLC (Kentucky League of Cities); KLC will conduct an ethics training for us to better explain the new changes. July 28th at 6:00pm is the training put on by KLC.

Rental Ordinance to be amended; Rental Ordinance #5 Series 2015-2016 as amended July 2016 (First Reading).

Motion to move for a Summary First Reading motion by Commissioner Steineker, Seconded by Commissioner Newman, passed unanimously.

Resolution #1 Series 2016 (Homeland Security Grant), Motion to move to approve the resolution of the Homeland Security Grant by Commissioner Roberts, Seconded by Commissioner Steineker, Approved unanimously

House bill 431 was submitted by Counsel to get State reimbursement for the Meadow Vale Police Department.

City Commission Monthly Activity:

Commissioner Newman-Safety: In contact with the Chief with issues regarding cars being vandalized. Applying for grants from Homeland Security for free equipment. Working on hiring another police officer; advertising for a part time 20 hours. Squad car has been vandalized in parking lot at City Hall. PC quest may have security camera footage of this part of the property. Rolling Hills, hasn't given us a final answer about an a new inter-local agreement.

Commissioner Morrow- Streets/Signs/Lights: Volunteer luncheon dates (Saturday August 20th @ 5:00pm City Hall). Include any volunteers you have to Commissioner Morrow ASAP. Looking at Goose Creek Diner for catering the event. Metro has been called about lights that are out and need fixing. Still working on the sign vendor to get info/pricing for install costs.

Commissioner Roberts-Drainage/Website: MSD called and reported that they had visited residents regarding Goose Creek Drainage and that there "wasn't an issue". Resident is in direct contact with MSD regarding getting their opinion changed. No action on washout road about remediation. The washout has been mowed. Rolling Hills resident is the owner. Resident at 9602 Sommerford Ct notified about cleaning up their yard of open containers that are mosquito breeding grounds. Resident was given a warning by Chief Yates. Chief Yates will check up tomorrow and give them a citation/fine if they are not in compliance.

Commissioner Steineker-Social Issues/ Events: September 17th, the rain date is September 24th at Hounz Lane Park for the Movie Night. Use inflatable vendor for a discount for the screen/projector rental. Plantation may have a screen for us to use for free. Pot luck style or will we provide meat (hotdogs/burgers) for the grill.

Commissioner Roberts moved that we adjourn the meeting at 8:56 PM, second by Commissioner Steineker. Approved by unanimous vote.

****These are unofficial meeting minutes pending Commission approval****
Next Commission Meeting August 15th at 7pm at City Hall

Meadow Vale, Kentucky

Certified City of Ethics



Front row, left to right: Melissa Steineker, Pat Teeter, Delson Craig, Betsy Smith, Don Aberli and Mary Hornek
 Back row: Diane Roberts, Cathy Morrow, Matt Hammond, Chris Lusher

Certification under the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Certified City of Ethics Program is a way to recognize cities and city officials that have adopted principles and procedures that offer guidance on ethical issues, and a mechanism to resolve complaints at the local level. In addition, this program increases public trust and confidence in city governments and their services through the training and recognition that this program promotes.

Administered by KLC Member Legal Services, any KLC member city may apply for this multi-faceted certification program. Meadow Vale is one of only 13 cities in the state to be certified as a City of Ethics under the KLC Ethics Program.

TO EARN A "CERTIFIED CITY OF ETHICS" DESIGNATION, A CITY MUST TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

- Send updated city ethics ordinance to be reviewed by KLC to be certain that it meets minimum standards set out in KRS 65.003.
- Adopt a resolution establishing the six ethics principles to govern the conduct of your city's officials and employees and send along with application to KLC.
- All elected officials and ethics board members must complete intense training on City Ethics Ordinance provided by KLC.
- Achieve Certification

