

Meadow Vale News

MEADOW VALE OFFICIALS

Mayor

Mary Hornek
 593-1206
 mshornek@gmail.com

Social & Special Events

Commissioner

Cathy Morrow
 797-2558

Lights, Signs & Streets

Commissioner

Matt Hammond
 438-0278

Drainage Commissioner

Diane Roberts
 412-6146

Safety Commissioner

Mike Jones
 492-1400

Treasurer

Chris Lusher

City Clerk

Barbie Bryant

City Hall

Non-emergency: 412-5500

Monthly Meetings

Date: 3rd Monday
Time: 7:00pm
Place: 9408 Blossom Lane

Meadow Vale Police

Ray Spann: Chief
 James Wilder: Sergeant
 Jack Arnold: Patrol Officer
 Officer on Duty: 548-2599
 Non-emergency: 574-5471
 Emergency: 911

Lyndon Fire Department

502-425-7474

Rumpke Sanitation

502-568-3800

LG&E

502-589-3500

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To all our volunteers



Have Safe and Happy Holidays
 Meadow Vale



Gail Mornhinweg, who represents a Service Dog Group, appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to allow the group's eleven service dogs to perform "lost and recovery" exercises in the City of Meadow Vale. The group meets on the **third Thursday of each month** to train and conduct maneuvers for the service dogs. She also requested suggestions on how to approach Meadow Vale residents to volunteer and act as "missing" individuals on the designated dates for training within the city limits. The Commissioners and the Police Chief have agreed to the requests. If you would like to contact Ms. Mornhinweg (pronounced morningweigh) to volunteer or request more information, please contact her at 502-550-7013.



Hounz Lane Residents:

Due to inclement weather, Precision Concrete has not been able to begin their work to alleviate trip hazards along Hounz Lane and the walkway towards the Zachary Taylor playground. Once work begins, please allow full access to the sidewalk in front of your home during this process. We thank you for your cooperation.

11-18-2019
7:00PM – 8:00PM

The Commission met in regular session in City Hall with Mayor Mary Hornek and the following Commissioners:

Commissioner Matt Hammond - **absent**
Commissioner Mike Jones
Commissioner Cathy Morrow
Commissioner Diane Roberts

Others present: City Clerk Barbie Bryant, Treasurer Chris Lusher, City Attorney Carrie Ritsert, Police Chief Ray Spann, Police Sergeant Jim Wilder, Code Enforcement Officer George Stewart and guests Gail Mornhinweg and Brian Augustine. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SERVICE DOGS GROUP

Mayor Hornek introduced Gail Mornhinweg, who represents a Service Dog Group. Ms. Mornhinweg gave a brief background on the group's purpose and requested permission to allow the group's eleven service dogs to perform a "search and rescue" exercise in the City of Meadow Vale. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month to train and conduct maneuvers for the service dogs. She also requested suggestions on how to approach Meadow Vale residents to volunteer and act as "missing" individuals on the designated dates for training within the city limits. A Newsletter article will highlight the contact information and dates for the exercises.

MINUTES

The minutes from the 10-21-2019 regular meeting were presented. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORROW, THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Lusher presented the Income Statement and the Balance Sheet for October. He reported that the Grass Cutting expense that was misclassified as Landscaping and the Ordinance Publication expense that was misclassified as Contingency or Legal expense had both been corrected. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES, THE INCOME STATEMENT AND BALANCE SHEET WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0.**

The minutes will reflect that Commissioner Roberts completed the oversight checklist for October and that the bank statements were available for review.

POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

Police Chief Spann arranged the sale of the 2005 Ford Crown Vic to Bullitt County Deputy Sheriff Brent Hall for \$999.00. Insurance for the vehicle has been dropped. All officers participated in Halloween festivities by distributing candy despite the cold weather. Chief Spann commented that "it was difficult to ascertain who had

the most fun, the trick-or-treaters or the officers.” The department coordinated a Narcan Training with Russ Read, manager for the Kentucky HARM Task Force in Jefferson County. Ten kits are now part of the police department’s inventory. Officer and Mrs. Arnold, with the sewing prowess of Mrs. Spann, provided waist-length, rain repellent jackets for the department. Sergeant Wilder has completed the department’s new SOP (Standard Operating Procedures) and it will be reviewed by the Commission for approval. Chief Spann praised Sergeant Wilder for his use of time to complete the task.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Stewart reported that violations were slowing. Courtesy notices were delivered to properties on Goose Creek, Somerford, Lanesboro Drive and Boxford Way. Those properties are now in compliance.

JOINT BOARD OF ETHICS NOMINEES

Mayor Hornek recommended the appointments of Shannon Stafford, Jimmy Hogan and Gary Sparks for a three-year term on the Joint Board of Ethics. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER JONES, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORROW, THE APPOINTMENT OF NOMINEES TO THE JOINT BOARD OF ETHICS WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0.**

RESOLUTION NO. 20 FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH MCIMETRO VERIZON

Mayor Hornek recognized Brian Augustine, with Verizon, who indicated he was on hand to answer any questions regarding the bid by Verizon and the proposed franchise agreement. There were no questions and the Mayor requested the resolution be read by City Clerk Bryant.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MEADOW VALE TO ENTER INTO A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES CORP. D/B/A VERIZON ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, GRANTING A TWENTY (20) YEAR, NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF MEADOW VALE

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 19, Series 2019-2020, the City of Meadow Vale created a twenty (20) year, non-exclusive franchise for a communications system within the city limits of Meadow Vale; and

WHEREAS, the City of Meadow Vale offered at bid a non-exclusive communications franchise pursuant to Ordinance No. 19, Series 2019-2020; and

WHEREAS, MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp. d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (“hereinafter “Verizon”) has submitted a complete application for a communications franchise, in accordance with the terms and conditions reflected in Ordinance No. 19, Series 2019-2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Meadow Vale has reviewed Verizon’s application and its addendums, and wishes to grant a non-exclusive communications franchise to Verizon by entering into a franchise agreement with that company;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislative Body of the City of Meadow Vale, that the Mayor is hereby requested and authorized to enter into a franchise agreement with Verizon for a twenty (20) year, non-exclusive franchise, the terms of which are subject to the provisions of Ordinance No. 19, Series 2019-2020.

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES, RESOLUTION NO. 20 WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0.

FIRST READING – ORDINANCE #20 – ESTABLISH A JOINT BOARD OF ETHICS.

Prior to the first reading, Mayor Hornek introduced the ordinance and presented grammatical and language updates to the proposed amendments. At the direction of the City Attorney, **COMMISSIONER MORROW MADE A MOTION TO CALL FOR THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #20, SERIES 2019-2020. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0.**

City Attorney Ritsert presented the following summary for the first reading.

Summary of Ordinance #20, Series 2019-2020, an ordinance amending and adopting as amended the Code of Ethics to establish a Joint Board for the Cities of Meadow Vale, Rolling Hills and Westwood. The material changes are reflected best in the statement of ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES (A) specifically the addition of the language for the board to identify seven (7) members, three (3) for the City of Meadow Vale, and two (2) for the other cities.

No vote was taken to approve the first reading of Ordinance #20.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Hammond submitted a report via email earlier in the day. The report indicated that four different light pole outages during October and November have been fixed by LG&E. Since graffiti was on the berm wall, Commissioner Hammond applied two coats of paint but feels it needs a third coat, weather permitting. Precision Concrete should be fixing the sidewalks soon.

Commissioner Morrow had no report.

Commissioner Roberts reported that MSD (after more than 10 years) did some drainage remediation for 9720 Somerford Road. Effectiveness of this effort is yet to be determined. The homeowner thinks that relocating an unattached storage unit at the NE corner of a home located at the corner of Meadow Vale and Somerford Road would further help with the situation. Commissioner Roberts will contact the owners of that property.

Commissioner Jones reported that the November staff meeting for the Police Department was cancelled but the December meeting is on schedule. He was able to attend the Narcan training and helped Sergeant Wilder distribute the newly revised Police Department's SOP to the Commissioners for review.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hornek thanked the City Clerk for an awesome October newsletter. The City auditor has been given the information needed to complete the audit and he will make a presentation at the December meeting. Because the 2005 Ford Crown Vic was sold and transferred on 10-22-2019, the Kentucky League of Cities was notified of the sale and the city received a credit of \$651.24 on the liability insurance. Having Officer Arnold added on the insurance policy since August 01, 2019, the credit was applied to the overall police liability costs leaving a balance of \$974.02 for 2019-2020.

A Budget Planning Session will be held on Monday, February 17, 2020 at 6:00pm; a Town Hall Meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, 2020 as part of the Regular Commissioners meeting and the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on April 18, 2020 with a time to be determined.

The Christmas wreaths are ready to be hung. Meadow Vale volunteers Joe Hornek and Jimmy Hogan will put them up by next week.

2020 BUSINESS LICENSE

City Clerk Bryant has prepared a new 8 x 11 business license and will mail a reminder out to the local businesses the first week of December.

OPEN RECORDS PROPOSED AMENDMENT

City Attorney Ritsert has encouraged the Commission to amend the Open Records Policy to allow for requests by email. City Clerk Bryant will research how other cities approach this subject and report her findings for the December meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Since no additional items remained on the agenda, Mayor Hornek adjourned the meeting at 8:00pm.

These are unofficial meeting minutes pending Commission approval

Rumpke Recycling and Holiday Schedule

Christmas Day: Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019

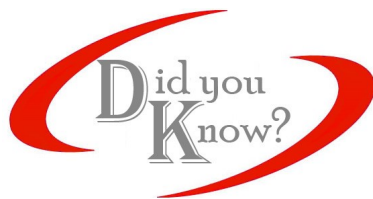
Customers serviced on Monday and Tuesday will NOT be affected by Christmas Day. Service will NOT occur on Wednesday, December 25. Service will be delayed one day during the rest of the week (Wednesday will move to Thursday; Thursday will move to Friday; Friday will move to Saturday).

A Note from District 17 Councilman Markus Winkler

2018-19 Fiscal Year Budget

At the Budget Committee meeting, the administration reported that the city realized about \$4 million more than anticipated from the budget that ended this past June. This was largely due to better than expected corporate tax returns and conservative decisions by the city regarding the issuance of debt and hiring new employees. I believe these additional funds should be used for dealing with our pension obligations, shoring up our rainy day fund, or paying off debt. The only exception for me would be moving up a police recruitment class given our shortage of officers.

I should add that this development, while positive, is not something we can count on moving forward. It is a one-time occurrence that has no lasting impact on the tough choices we were forced to make regarding this current budget or the decisions we will have to make in the coming years. Additional revenue options will still be necessary for us to meet our pension obligations **and** move Louisville forward.



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Meadow Vale City Hall will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. It will be open on New Year's Eve from 10:00am until 2:00pm and closed on New Year's Day.