

City of Meadow Vale

MARCH-2020



Meadow Vale Officials

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Lights, Signs & Streets
Commissioner
Matt Hammond
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Mike Jones
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Social & Special Events
Commissioner
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City Clerk Barbie Bryant
502-507-1863

Treasurer Chris Lusher

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Pat Teeter
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Meadow Vale Police
Chief Ray Spann
Sergeant James Wilder
Officer Jack Arnold
Officer on Duty 548-2599
Non-emergency 574-5471

Be sure to mark your calendar and join us for the Meadow Vale's Town Hall Meeting, Monday, March 16. The open meeting will begin at 7PM and be conducted at our City Hall. The location is 9408 Blossom Lane, Suite A on the northwest corner of Westport Plaza just off Goose Creek Road.



Representative Maria Sorlois will be in attendance to address any local or state issues of concern to you and your neighbors.

In addition, your City Commissioners will be available to answer questions about the proposed, upcoming street paving, involvement of our police department, code enforcement, and other topics of discussion that pertain to being a resident of Meadow Vale.

We look forward to seeing you! ~ Mayor Hornek



Daylight Saving Time begins on March 08, 2020



Rep. Maria Sorolis

Will be on hand during the March Town Hall Meeting at City Hall. She represents the 48th Legislative District in the Kentucky House of Representatives. The Meeting will begin at 7:00pm on Monday, March 16th.

CITY OF MEADOW VALE, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
02-17-2020
7:00PM – 7:55PM

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

Commissioner Matt Hammond
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 and Code Enforcement Officer George Stewart. The Mayor called the meeting to order.

2020-2021 ANNUAL BUDGET PLANNING

Because the time frame for the Special Meeting concluded, the Commissioners continued their conversation and planning for the 2020-2021 Annual Budget that included the proposed rates for the property tax and future annexations.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Lusher presented the Income Statement and the Balance Sheet for January. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORROW, THE INCOME STATEMENT AND BALANCE SHEET FOR JANUARY WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

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

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The City received a check in the amount of \$100.00 from Amy Lewis for a citation issued. Ms. Lewis' property, located at 9818 Meadow Vale Drive, was cited for not removing a downed tree in her yard. Ms. Lewis conveyed to the Mayor that the removal of the tree would begin in April of this year. Code Enforcement Officer Stewart did cleanup duty for a garbage truck spill on Goose Creek.

POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

Police Chief Spann reported that the officers continued their shoplifting deterrence efforts for the retail businesses. Merchants have said their routine visits have led to fewer incidents. The departmental pre-accreditation inspection by Shawn Butler was favorable. He stated favorably that with certain policies in place, specific documents available, standard requisite training completed during the year and with the organization of police records, and files, the department could be accredited by the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police. This will provide 15 KLC scorecard points that equate to a significant reduction in future insurance premiums. The officers continue to complete KLC monthly training and newly developed Bridge courses. At the request of the Mayor and Commissioner Jones, the department developed a list of priorities:

Equipment Needs

4 radios
First Aid Kits
New iPhone
Vehicles – Preventative Maintenance
Crown Vic’s Seat re-stuffed
Class I Uniforms
Computers – Modem & Router

Training Needs

First Aid/CPR
Supervisor – Sarge
Taser
Crime Prevention
Drug Recognition
Stop The Bleeding

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Hornek contacted Westwood and Rolling Hills about their second readings of the Joint Board of Ethics Ordinance and discussed training for all three cities. City Attorney Ritsert presented the Inter-Local Agreement for the Joint Board of Ethics that is required by the Department of Local Government. Once all three mayors have signed the agreement, copies will be sent to each city. The Mayor will seek bids to have two trees removed from the berm that have died.

Mayor Hornek presented the application for the Clerk to attend the Annual Municipal Clerks Conference to be held in April in Elizabethtown. The cost will be \$200.00 if submitted by March 1, 2020. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORROW, THE RECOMMENDATION TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION PRIOR TO MARCH 1, 2020, WITH THE \$200.00 PAYMENT WAS APPROVED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

Mayor Hornek would like to attend, if her schedule permits, the Louisville Leadership “Best of Leadership Summit 2020” meeting on March 4, 2020 at a cost of \$350.00. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORROW, THE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE MAYOR TO ATTEND THE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT USING THE MAYOR’S CONTINGENCY FUND FOR THE \$350.00 FEE WAS APPROVED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER #12 – FRANCHISE AGREEMENT RENEWAL - CHARTER

Discussion prior to the reading of the Municipal Order included stepping away from the State contract and billing Charter directly to increase the percentage from 3% to 5% annually for the franchise fees. City Clerk Bryant read the following:

**CITY OF MEADOW VALE MUNICIPAL ORDER 12, SERIES 2020
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING A RIGHT OF WAY USAGE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT RELATING
TO COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Commission of the City of Meadow Vale, Kentucky (hereinafter “City”) has considered a certain Right of Way Usage Franchise Agreement with Insight Kentucky Partners II, L.P., locally known as Charter Communications (hereinafter “Charter”), who remains the current franchise holder, due to the presumption of renewal in Section 626 of the Cable Act (47 U.S.C. Sec. 656),

WHEREAS, City further acknowledges that Charter has substantially complied with the material terms of the current cable-related Franchise under applicable law and that further that the applicable section of the Kentucky Constitution, when read in conjunction with the federal Cable Act, can be fairly interpreted to mandate that cable franchises must be put out for bid only when a new franchise is granted,

WHEREAS, the City further finds that Charter has the reasonably sufficient financial, legal and technical ability to provide services, facilities and equipment necessary to meet the future cable-related needs of the community,

WHEREAS, the City further finds that Charter has afforded the public adequate notice and opportunity for comment concerning its provision of cable-related services to the community,

NOW THEREFORE, based on the foregoing findings the City therefore desires to enter into a Right of Way Usage and Franchise Agreement with Charter, relating to the operation of a cable system on the terms set forth in the Right of Way Usage Franchise Agreement,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MEADOW VALE, KENTUCKY:

SECTION 1:

That a certain Right of Way Usage Franchise Agreement relating to the award of a non-exclusive franchise agreement for cable related telecommunication services by and between the City of Meadow Vale and Insight Kentucky Partners II, L.P., locally known as Charter Communications, be and herein is approved by the Commission. Further the City Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement, along with any other documents required to effectuate the terms of the referenced Agreement, attached and fully incorporated herein as Exhibit One.

SECTION 2:

This Municipal Order shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 12 WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0. Commissioner Jones abstained.

CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCES

City Clerk Bryant reported that the codified ordinance books should be received mid-March.

BUSINESS LICENSE PENALTIES

City Clerk Bryant reported that 19 businesses have not renewed their 2020 business licenses to date. A second “reminder” letter was mailed last Tuesday to those businesses. Mayor Hornek will ask Code Enforcement Officer Stewart to visit each business and the City Attorney will be notified when to send a letter of violation with a \$250.00 penalty.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Hammond reported LG&E was notified about an intermittent light issue back in late January. He fixed the speed limit sign that is visible when traveling southbound on Hounz Lane at Meadow Vale Drive. As of now, all lights are working, there is no new graffiti present and all signs are in proper condition.

Commissioner Morrow had no report

Commissioner Roberts had no report.

Commissioner Jones had no report

TOWN HALL MEETING

Mayor Hornek announced that the Town Hall Meeting would be an agenda item at the March meeting, scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2020, at 7:00pm. House Representative Maria Sorolis will be a guest speaker. Mayor Hornek and Commissioner Hammond will present detailed information on the proposal to repave the city streets. The announcement will be highlighted in the March Newsletter, as well as, on the City's web site. Mayor Hornek is working with Kandie Atkinson, from the State Department, to correct the boundaries of the city for the 2020 Census.

MISCELLANEOUS

City Attorney Ritsert presented two property tax payments that were received at her office: a cash payment in the amount of \$326.00 and a check for \$225.68. Lien filing letters will be sent to the five properties that have not paid the 2019 tax.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER HAMMOND MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:55PM. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

These are unofficial meeting minutes pending Commission approval



Babysitting in Meadow Vale!!



- My name is Haley Williams, I am almost 13 and have lived in Meadow Vale for 6 years. I am a certified babysitter through the ASHI/YMCA, with a little over one-year experience. I enjoy helping, playing, crafts, and anything the kids think is fun. If you would like for me to be a babysitter for you, text/call me at (502) 767-7948. Thank you, I hope that I can babysit your kids soon!!

Code Enforcement Information

Now that March is upon us, it's time to do some spring cleaning!

Performing simple repairs and cosmetic updates around your property helps to make our community a happier and safer environment, and regular maintenance ensures that your property meets regulation and city codes. Not sure where to begin? No worries - we've compiled this easy three-part checklist to help you out.

Here are some simple guidelines to keep our community cleaner, safer, and more welcoming:

Keep lawns and landscaping attractive and inviting. Develop a reliable lawn and landscaping routine. Keep grass mown, bushes trimmed, and flower beds weeded. Keep outdoor areas clear of pet waste. If your landscaping is lacking, consider overhauling it this spring to create a more welcoming environment for our community - a little bit goes a long way. Make time now to secure a lawncare service for future needs.

Make sure that building exteriors are clean and maintained. Repair broken or missing shutters, and touch up paint on areas that show chipping or visible wear. Keep the front and back doors welcoming and clear of refuse, and painted a clean and appealing color. If there are broken outdoor fixtures, repair or replace them.

Eliminate any sources of visible clutter. Make sure that balconies are not being used as storage spaces, or as drying racks for clothing or rugs. Trash should be contained and out of sight, and parking lots and public spaces should be free of litter, personal belongings, or other debris.

With these suggestions in mind, it's time to step back and find areas that we can improve to make our neighborhood better and brighter. Let's work together to provide a clean and safe place to work and live.

Do you have questions or concerns? You can reach the Code Enforcement office at: LouisvilleCEO@gmail.com, or contact City Hall.

HOUNZ LANE PARK IMPROVEMENTS



Several improvements to Hounz Lane Park are expected to be completed in the coming months. The fence surrounding the area for the new pickleball courts was recently installed as was a concrete pad (pictured on the right side of the photo) where new benches will be placed. The final coating for the courts will be applied once the temperature is appropriate, most likely in April. Metro Parks plans to repair the two tennis courts adjacent to the pickleball area as well. The goal is to have them ready at the same time as the pickleball courts. Finally, the wooden signs like the one at the park entrance are scheduled to be replaced, also within the next couple of months.

-From Councilman Winkler

Other Numbers

Jefferson County Emergency
911

Lyndon Fire Department
502-425-7474

Rumpke Sanitation
502-568-3800

Louisville Gas & Electric
502-589-3500

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE CITY OF MEADOW VALE:

A Town Hall Meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, 2020, as part of the Regular Commissioners meeting

The Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on April 18, 2020, with a time to be determined.

COMMISSIONER'S MONTHLY MEETING

City Commissioners of Meadow Vale meet the third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at City Hall (9408 Blossom Ln, Suite A). The meeting is open to the public. Residents are encouraged to attend.

2020 Census Jobs

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting to fill hundreds of thousands of temporary positions across the country to assist with the 2020 Census count. Jobs for the 2020 Census offer competitive wages that are paid weekly. Authorized expenses, such as mileage, are reimbursed for employees doing field work. Copy and paste the links below for more information.

Census Jobs Homepage:

<https://2020census.gov/en/jobs.html>

Informational Video:

<https://youtu.be/AfL3992GvSw>

Application:

<https://recruitment.2020census.gov/ats/careersite/census.aspx?site=1&c=census>