

City of Meadow Vale

July 2022



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July is time to celebrate...

On July 4th we will celebrate the signing of the Declaration of Independence and freedoms we can enjoy with family, friends, and neighbors. In doing so, let us not forget those words: "That among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." And, let us also remember those words enshrined in our Constitution: "To form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity." Of course, this calls for each of us to accept the responsibilities that also come with freedom.

Please practice safety and be thoughtful of your neighbors when partying this weekend. If you do use fireworks, keep in mind the fact that the grass is dry and that fireworks should be left in a bucket of water away from the house overnight to ensure all sparks of flame are extinguished. Also be sure to pick up any remnants of the fireworks, especially those that may drift into the yards of neighbors.

The Commission passed a lower tax rate of \$0.103 for fiscal year 2022-23. This was managed while also achieving a balanced budget for the same period. Both the tax rate and budget ordinances are available for viewing on the City's website:

<https://www.cityofmeadowvale.org/governance/ordinances/>

The Commission is working on an event in conjunction with St. Thomas Episcopal Church for the fall timeframe. We are planning to offer a fun-filled event for the whole family. With all the violence, negativity and disrespect erupting around us, some positive merrymaking will be a welcomed change. Do keep an eye out for more information to come.

An interesting fun fact...Did you know St. Thomas Episcopal Church is within the boundary of City of Meadow Vale?

~ Mayor Hornek



CITY OF MEADOW VALE, KENTUCKY
SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
06-13-2022
7:00PM – 8:20 PM

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

Commissioner Sandra Dittmer
Commissioner Matt Hammond
Commissioner Mike Jones
Commissioner Robert Schroeder

Others present: City Attorney Kerry Butler, City Treasurer Scott Pitts, Police Sergeant Jim Wilder and City Clerk Barbie Bryant. Guests included Consultant Chris Lusher.

Mayor Hornek called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance. She then announced that the Commission would go into closed session near the end of the meeting per KRS 61.810(1) (B) Deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency.

BID OPENING – GARBAGE SERVICES

Only one bid was received from Rumpke, Inc. City Attorney Butler opened the bid and gave an outline of the proposed services for the contract beginning August 1, 2022 and ending July 31, 2024 and the cost of each. The proposed amendment for the 2024-2026 contracted years and the cost of services was also discussed. The breakdown of costs is as follows:

Solid waste collection per month	\$11.50
Yard waste collection per month	\$ 4.50
Curbside recycling collection per month	\$ 4.50

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER, THE CONTRACT FROM RUMPKE, INC TO PROVIDE GARBAGE SERVICES BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2022, WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the 05-16-2022 regular meeting were presented. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER DITTMER, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES, THE MINUTES FOR THE 05-16-2022 REGULAR MEETING WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Pitts presented the Income Statements and the Balance Sheets for May 2022. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, THE INCOME STATEMENT AND BALANCE SHEETS FOR MAY 2022 WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

The minutes will reflect that Commissioner Jones will complete the oversight checklist and that the bank statements were available for review.

POLICE REPORT

Sergeant Wilder reported on two items from Chief Spann's department activities for the period of May 16th through June 13th:

- On Friday, 20 May 2022, Officer Peters launched an investigation into a vacant residence being burglarized in Rolling Hills. This particular residence has been vacant for a number of years and is in a state of disrepair. Apparently, juveniles

are responsible for damages estimated to be approximately \$3,000.00 in connection with a number of windows shot with a BB gun.

- Also on Friday, 20 May 2022, at about 11:00 PM, a wooden front door was damaged at a residence in the 3800 block of Ashridge Drive in the city of Brownsboro Farm. Unfortunately, there is an absence of solvability factors, i.e., the homeowner does not have any suspects or known enemies, and the home is not equipped with video surveillance cameras. The damage was so significant the door will have to be replaced.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hornek met with Mayor Judy Crowe about the hourly rate for Rolling Hills police contracted services. She explained the new rate and provided her with a copy of the amended interlocal agreement. If accepted, the contract will take effect on July 1, 2022.

Commissioner Dittmer and the Mayor are coordinating schedules to meet with the new minister at St. John's Episcopal Church regarding a Fall Festival.

Mayor Hornek has received notice from the Department of Local Government that the second tranche of ARPA funds are being sent out by the end of next week.

Mayor Hornek will meet with Treasurer Pitts to clarify procedures and laws now that he has full responsibility of the city's finances.

BERM AND ENTRANCE WAY SIGNS

Commissioner Schroeder secured a contractor to remove the concrete on the berm. R.W. Banta Construction LLC will remove the concrete. The cost is \$3,868. A fiber optic line travels through the area of the concrete. A service will be required to determine if the depth of the fiber optic cable will require special equipment to remove the concrete. Costs may increase if special equipment is needed to prevent damage to the fiber optic line.

ORDINANCE #32 BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 2021-2022

City Clerk Bryant presented the second reading in full. **COMMISSIONER HAMMOND MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #32 FY 2021-2022 BUDGET AMENDMENT. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES.**

THE MAYOR CALLED THE ROLL AND THE FOLLOWING VOTED:

COMMISSIONER DITTMER	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER HAMMOND	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER JONES	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER	-	AYE
MAYOR HORNEK	-	AYE

Mayor Hornek then declared Ordinance #32 adopted.

ORDINANCE #33 ANNUAL BUDGET FY 2022-2023

City Clerk Bryant presented the second reading in full. **COMMISSIONER JONES MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #33 FY 2022-2023 ANNUAL BUDGET. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER.**

THE MAYOR CALLED THE ROLL AND THE FOLLOWING VOTED:

COMMISSIONER DITTMER	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER HAMMOND	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER JONES	-	AYE

COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER	-	AYE
MAYOR HORNEK	-	AYE

Mayor Hornek then declared Ordinance #33 adopted.

ORDINANCE #34 ANNUAL TAX RATE FY2022-2023

City Clerk Bryant presented the second reading in full. **COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #34, FY 2022-2023 TAX RATE. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAMMOND.**

THE MAYOR CALLED THE ROLL AND THE FOLLOWING VOTED:

COMMISSIONER DITTMER	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER HAMMOND	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER JONES	-	AYE
COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER	-	AYE
MAYOR HORNEK	-	AYE

Mayor Hornek then declared Ordinance #34 adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Hammond (Public Services) emailed to the Commission the following report:

- I have been working and communicating with Mayor Hornek to better facilitate the transition of responsibilities going forward. I have noticed a few small bits of graffiti on the back of some stop signs and have used black paint to cover it up.
- I was able to convince two Meadow Vale residents to fill out the candidacy application form before the deadline so we will have at least two commissioners on the ballot in November and I have filed to run as Mayor in the November election as well.
- The berm wall is graffiti free and I have contacted LG&E about a street light problem. I completed the May Oversight Procedures Checklist and I will be signing the meeting minutes from the April Commission meeting where I served as Mayor Pro Tem for the meeting.

Commissioner Dittmer (Community Services) reiterated that she and the Mayor will meet with the new minister at St. John's Episcopal Church regarding a Fall Festival.

Commissioner Schroeder (Public Safety) reported on the following:

- Spoke to Kip Eatherly, the Legislative Aide for Councilman Winkler, District 17, to update them on the progress of the sign on S. Hurstbourne Lane.
- Asked Mr. Eatherly to see about making repairs to the Hounz Park Entrance Sign, which is in extreme disrepair. They also discussed the non-mowed area of Hounz Park. Mr. Eatherly will speak to Metro Parks for an agreement to get the park on the every other mowing cycle.

Commissioner Jones (Utilities) reported that he continues to monitor the companies that have not responded to his request for advice on the maintenance of the berm area.

KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE – SEPTEMBER 20-23, 2022

To date, Mayor Hornek will attend the conference. Other Commissioners will check their calendars to see if they are available to attend.

CLOSED SESSION

COMMISSIONER HAMMOND MOTIONED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PER KRS 61.810(1)(B) DELIBERATIONS ON THE FUTURE ACQUISITION OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY BY A PUBLIC AGENCY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0. TIME WAS 7:45 PM.

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER JONES, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAMMOND THE RECOMMENDATION TO COME OUT OF CLOSED SESSION AND BACK INTO OPEN SESSION WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0. THE TIME WAS 8:06 PM.

COMMISSIONER HAMMOND MOTIONED TO CONTINUE THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWBROOK FARM INTO THE CITY OF MEADOW VALE, BUT BEFORE THE FINAL DECISION, THERE MUST BE A FAVORABLE REVIEW OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, COPIES OF CURRENT CONTRACTS, AND A LIST OF CURRENT PENDING LAWSUITS OF ANY AGENT, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR CONTRACTOR SO INVOLVED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DITTMER AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES – INSURANCE POLICIES

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER SCHROEDER, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAMMOND THE RECOMMENDATION TO ALLOW UP TO \$19,000.00 TO COVER THE FY2022-23 INSURANCE POLICIES THROUGH THE KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER HAMMOND, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JONES THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:20PM WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

*****These are unofficial meeting minutes pending Commission approval*****

MEADOW VALE UPDATE

NEW RUMPKE CONTRACT for Years 2022-2024

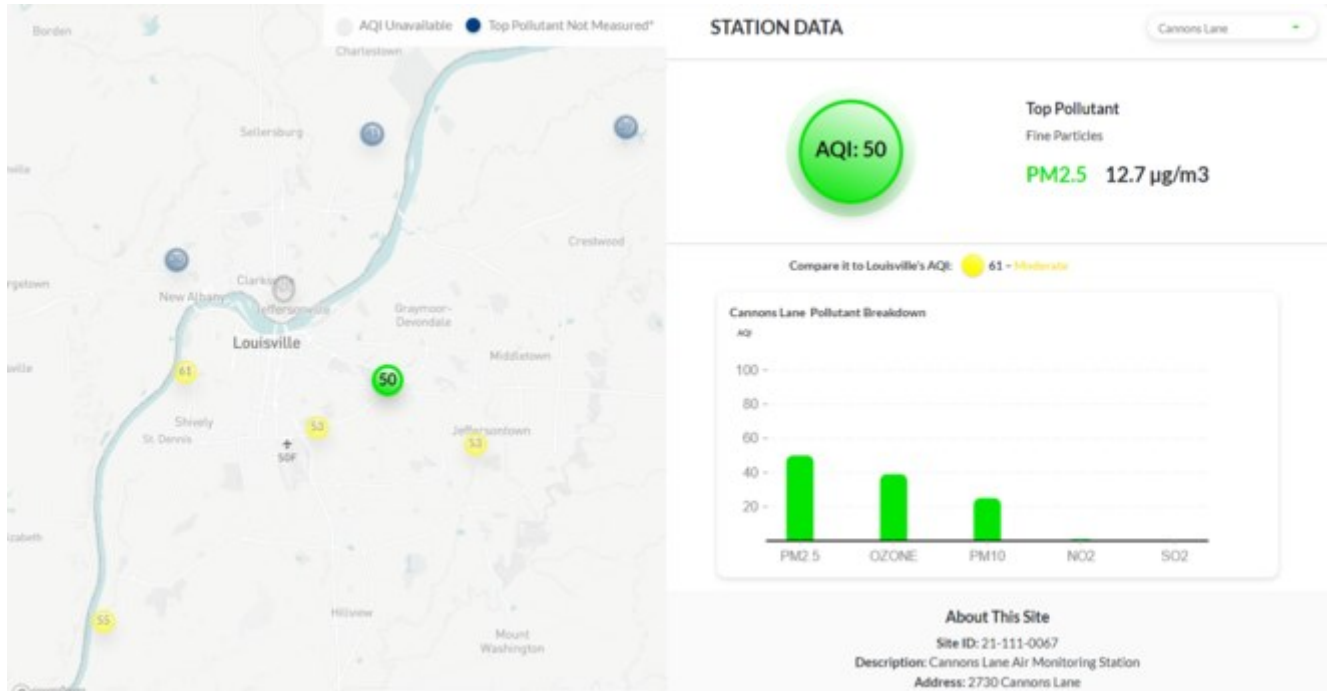
The Commissioners agreed to accept the newest contract from Rumpke following the required bidding process. For all collections, the breakdown of costs is as follows:

Solid waste collection per month	\$11.50
Yard waste collection per month	\$ 4.50
Curbside recycling collection per month	\$ 4.50

Please see the last page of this newsletter for a description of the Yard Waste Program.

DISTRICT 17 NEWS

Louisville Air Watch



Louisville Air Watch provides detailed air quality information for several Louisville-area locations, like this one along Cannons Lane from Monday.

We had several days last month where it was unbearably hot and even unhealthy to be outside, particularly for those in sensitive groups such as children, older adults, and those with breathing ailments. If you or someone in your family is noticeably impacted by days with poor air quality, [Louisville Air Watch](#) might be a good resource for you. It provides live air quality conditions and lots of data from several locations in the Louisville area. For information on what you can do to help improve our air quality, click [here](#).



DISTRICT 17 NEWS



10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

2022 Pop-Up Drop-Off Schedule

April 2	Sun Valley Ball Field, 10401 Lower River Road
April 30	Metro Fleet Services, 3515 Newburg Road
May 21	UofL Shelby Campus, 440 N Whittington Parkway
June 25	Doss High School, 7601 St Andrews Church Road
July 16	Shawnee Park, Southwestern Pkwy/River Park Dr
August 27	Eastern High School, 12400 Old Shelbyville Road
September 24	Sun Valley Ball Field, 10401 Lower River Road
October 29	Metro Fleet Services, 3515 Newburg Road
November 19	Fern Creek Elementary/High, 8815 Ferndale Road

Free recycling and large item disposal events!

ACCEPTED

ITEMS MUST BE SEPARATED INTO CATEGORIES FOR EASY OFF-LOADING.



LARGE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Furniture, mattresses, toilet, rolled carpet, etc.



ELECTRONICS

Limit 3



METAL & APPLIANCES

No refrigerators or items containing coolant.



HOUSEHOLD RECYCLABLES

Paper, plastic, metal, glass



PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL



YARD WASTE

Less than 2 inch diameter and 4 feet long; bundled or in containers or paper bags. Wooden pallets also accepted. NO PLASTIC BAGS



ON-SITE PAPER SHREDDING

Containers to be taken back by resident.



PASSENGER TIRES

Limit 4

NOT ACCEPTED

- Garbage or loose debris
- Concrete, bricks, rocks
- Construction materials (lumber, shingles, siding, etc.)
- Items containing coolant
- Paint
- Batteries
- Light bulbs
- Hazardous waste
- Boats or hot tubs
- Tree trunks
- Items from businesses
- Trailers exceeding 10 feet

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More disposal questions?
There's an app for that!



CITY OF MEADOW VALE

Vacation and Travel Security Tips *“Traveling Safely with Technology”*



No matter how you get to your destination or where you choose to stay, you will still be connected when you're on vacation. Many travelers rely on technology even more to enhance their experience. As you embark upon your next adventure, stay cyber safe while away from home by following some simple practices to help keep your devices safe and your vacation plans from going awry.

Getting ready to go

Travel lightly

Limit the amount of devices you take with you. The more you take with you, the more risk you open yourself up to.

Check your settings

Set the privacy and security settings on web services and apps. It is okay to limit how and with whom you share information (like location tracking) – especially when you are away.

Set up the “find my phone” feature

This will allow you to find, remotely wipe data and/or disable the device if it gets into the wrong hands.

Passwords protect your devices

Make sure you require the use of a passcode or extra security feature (like a fingerprint) to unlock your phone or mobile device in case either is misplaced or stolen.

Update your software

Before you hit the road, make sure all security and critical software is up to date on your connected devices and keep them updated during travel. Turn on “automatic updates” on your devices if you're prone to forgetting.

On the go – having fun

Now that your devices are updated, password protected, and backed up, there are a few steps you can take to improve your security while on the go:

ONLY use secure wi-fi connections

Do not transmit personal info or make purchases on unsecure or public wi-fi or your phone as a personal hotspot to surf more securely.

Think before you post

Think twice before posting pictures that indicate you are away. Wait until you get home to share your magical memories.

Protect physical devices

Ensure your devices are always with you.

- If you are staying in a hotel, the best thing to do is lock them in a safe. If a safe is not available, lock them in your luggage. Don't leave devices unattended with strangers.
- Using your device at an airport or cafe? Don't leave it unattended with a stranger while you get up to use the restroom or order another latte.

Stop auto connecting

Disable remote connectivity and Bluetooth. Some devices will automatically seek and connect to available wireless networks. And Bluetooth enables your device to connect wirelessly with other devices, such as headphones or automobile infotainment systems. Disable these features so that you only connect to wireless and Bluetooth networks when you want to. If you do not need them, switch them off.

~ Submitted by Commissioner Jones

Other Numbers

Jefferson County Emergency
911

St Matthews Fire Department
502-893-7825

Rumpke Sanitation
502-568-3800

Louisville Gas & Electric
502-589-3500

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.

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www.cityofmeadowvale.org

Louisville-Jefferson County Yardwaste Program

The Louisville-Jefferson County Waste Management District bans the mixture of yardwaste with municipal solid waste. All yardwaste is collected separately from residential waste. In accordance with the May 2014 Louisville-Jefferson County Waste Management District yardwaste container regulation (51.507R), yardwaste should be prepared in one of the following ways:



Placed loosely in a dedicated 30-35 gallon can clearly labeled "YARDWASTE"



Placed in 30-35-gallon paper yardwaste bags



Placed in compostable plastic bags (*meeting the ASTM D6400 standards*)



Rumpke 95-gallon yardwaste cart (*additional monthly charge may apply*).

Brush and branches should be cut and bundled. Branches should not exceed four feet (4') in length and three (3") in diameter or weigh more than 75 pounds per bundle.

Yardwaste is collected at the curb. If yardwaste and residential waste are collected at the curb on the same day, there should be a separation between the two waste streams to make identification easier for the collectors. All yardwaste is taken to a composting facility.

Yardwaste includes the following:

- Grass, weeds, and other lawn herbaceous materials.
- Shrubbery and plant clippings.
- Twigs, sticks, small branches within the above guidelines.
- Leaves.

Yardwaste does not include the following:

- Lumber
- Logs, stumps, or firewood.
- Tree branches uncut or exceeding the above guidelines.
- Large amounts of dirt or gravel.

Rumpke will collect Christmas trees for municipalities with yardwaste collection. Trees must be free of decorations and may be placed at the curb uncut. Rumpke reserves the right to place limits on the amount of yardwaste collected from individual residential units following severe storms, tornados, or other periods of severe weather. In any event, unless otherwise specified, Rumpke will abide by the guidelines of the Yardwaste Collection Program.



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