

City of Meadow Vale

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Howdy and Happy Spring Meadow Vale!

As everyone is getting back to sprucing up their yards, I just wanted to share a reminder about our Rumpke Yard Waste services. Our contract with Rumpke is for year-round weekly yard waste removal. Please place your yard waste in bins that are clearly labeled Yard Waste for Rumpke to see. Also, if you cannot fit all the yard waste into a rolling bin or you don't have one, you can stack up small piles of limbs, sticks, etc., and bind them with twine for removal. Please remember to keep these bundles of sticks and yard waste to a size that one person can pick up and place the stacks in in the Rumpke truck.

As the weather warms up, I enjoy saying hello to neighbors on a walk themselves and getting to know my neighbors. We recently had an extended power outage that affected select parts of Meadow Vale and I hope that we can create some good neighbor relationships that may help us down the road; neighbors helping neighbors.

Please stay tuned for some upcoming events and let us know what you think at our monthly Commissioner meetings held at Meadow Vale City Hall off Blossom Lane (near El Nopal in the Kroger shopping center). The dates, times and address are located on the back page of this newsletter.

~ Matt Hammond
Mayor of Meadow Vale



Help Plan Meadow Vale Events!

Do you love to plan parties? We need you! We are looking for people to join our Events Planning Committee. We hope to host a **4th of July Bike Parade** and at least one city-wide party. Contact Commissioner Julie Michels to join: mvcommissionerjulie@gmail.com



CITY OF MEADOW VALE, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
03-20-2023
7:00PM – 8:22PM

The Commission met in regular session at City Hall with Mayor Matthew Hammond and the following Commissioners:

Commissioner Tom Lucas
Commissioner Julie Michels
Commissioner James Wallover
Commissioner Brad Williams

Others present: City Treasurer Scott Pitts, City Attorney Kerry Butler, Police Chief Ray Spann, Office Assistant Pat Teeter and City Clerk Barbie Bryant.

Mayor Hammond called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and the pledge of allegiance was performed. Pat Teeter questioned what is the best avenue to find out who is new in the neighborhood. She will investigate further.

MINUTES

The minutes from the 02-20-2023 regular meeting were presented. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLOVER, THE MINUTES FOR THE 02-20-2023 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 February 2023. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER WALLOVER, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LUCAS, THE INCOME STATEMENT AND BALANCE SHEETS FOR FEBRUARY 2023 WERE APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

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

Treasurer Pitts announced that he is soliciting for a new auditor and that he will provide numbers to the Commission for the 2023-2024 proposed budget. He then presented the balances of all accounts and suggested the need to transfer money from the Special Reserve Account to the Operating Fund to meet the current budget needs through June 2023. **UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLOVER, THE RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFER \$35,202.00 FROM THE PNC SPECIAL RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE OPERATING FUND ACCOUNT WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

POLICE REPORT

Chief Spann gave an update on the report he submitted via email.

- On Monday, 20 February 2023, Officer Bob Flynn recovered a stolen car that was unoccupied/abandoned in a front yard near the intersection of Goose Creek Road and Somerford Road. The vehicle was stolen less than 2 hours earlier on Plank Drive, which is an apartment complex off Fern Valley Road. KYOPS reports entitled *Recovered Stolen Vehicle* and numbered R2323000005 and R2323000007 were drafted. Louisville Metro Police Department was notified of the recovery and the vehicle was removed from NCIC.
- Information was received mid-day on Tuesday, 21 February 2023, concerning a second stolen vehicle being abandoned/recovered. This time the stolen vehicle was recovered on Grenfell Way near the intersection of Somerford Road. This case was being investigated by Louisville Metro police as Meadow Vale officers were not scheduled on duty at this particular time. Area surveillance cameras captured on video, 2 youths fleeing from the vehicle. Neighbors tentatively recognized the youths as being residents of Meadow Vale.

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- The April Newsletter will include the Police Blotter that highlights the connection concerning the recently stolen vehicles.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hammond has hopefully finished the final steps of compliance for the US Department of Treasury ARPA funds compliance process. This has been an effort that has him continuing on from the former Mayor's efforts.

He is working on disputing the January road salting that took place in 24 hours in late January for a total invoice of just over \$4,000 with Walsh Brothers. Mayor Hammond asked Counselor Butler to pursue having liens placed against the delinquent properties for this year's property taxes that have not been paid. He announced that he, along with additional citizens, will cut up the downed trees along the berm to save the city some money as well as get it done ASAP.

It has come to the Mayor's attention that a small business has sprouted up on Meadow Vale Dr. It is an Etsy based custom bakery that has customers driving to the house to pick up cakes and conduct business. City Clerk Bryant will send a letter to the homeowner requesting information about this endeavor and its occupants. Code Enforcement Officer Stewart will also investigate for violations.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR INCREASED COMPENSATION

Chief Spann gave a detailed review of the departments' work schedule and level of education/training for each member. He is requesting the following increases in compensation:

\$4/hour wage increase above current \$16.00 for officers = \$20.00
\$4/hour wage increase above current \$19.00 for sergeant = \$23.00
\$4/hour wage increase above current \$21.00 for chief = \$25.00

The Chief will provide the Commission with the current monthly hours each member incurs and other detailed information. The Commission agreed to review the request for the 2023-24 budget.

CONTRACT FOR MOWING SERVICES

With only the one bid from Walsh Brothers, the Commission agreed to table the bid, seek additional service companies for their bids and call a special meeting for the acceptance of a contract.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Wallover (Public Safety)

- Reported that the city is covered for cyber security through their local computer systems provider – PC Quest Computer Services. Additional coverage comes from the Kentucky League of Cities. No further research is necessary at this time.
- Performed a task on behalf of the city to seek out “possible solicitors” that were reported to the City Clerk. He suggested putting an article in the newsletter that explains the rules and regulations regarding solicitation within the city limits.

Commissioner Michels (Community Services)

- Met with Office Assistant Pat Teeter and was given volumes of information concerning past social events.
- Will look at events that balance adults vs. kids' attractions.
- Sees a need to revamp the Fall Festival.

A Municipal Order to decommission the Social Committee and its appointments will be presented at the April meeting. Commissioner Michels will run the events with volunteers only.

Commissioner Williams (Public Services)

- There was nothing to report on street signs or lights out to date.

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- Attempted to contact our 2021 street paving company and have not been successful. I am attempting to have them provide a quote for filling cracks. I will contact them again this week, the week of 3/20/2023.
 - Walsh Bro's sent the City of MV an invoice for services on 1/30/23 and 1/31/23. This was an ice event that caused public schools to close. Walsh Bro's provided three separate salt treatments within 24 hours. Mayor Hammond is to speak with Walsh Bro's about the need to contact us when multiple treatments during a single event are needed as this does quickly add up in terms of costs.

Commissioner Lucas (Utilities)

- We held the first meeting of the Second Saturday Berm Cleanup. I was the only one in attendance. I will suggest a direct need-to-know blurb for the newsletter (where, when, how) to keep growing the effort.
- A resident contacted me regarding 6-8 deserved mailboxes. They suspected Rumpke knocked them with their truck arm. Upon calling, Rumpke installed temporary mailboxes but hasn't yet replaced them with permanent replacements.

ADJOURNMENT

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLOVER THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:22PM WAS APPROVED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

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



Are a treasure to seek and to enjoy. Become a treasured volunteer for the City of Meadow Vale. Please call City Hall on Tuesday or Thursday between 10:00am and 2:00pm at 502-412-5500.



The Second Saturday **Berm Cleanup** will continue this month.*

When: April 8th at 9:00 AM

Where: Meet at the city sign (Hounz Lane and Meadow Vale Drive)

Parking: Gravel off the road side on Hounz Lane near the city sign.

Please consider joining the **Berm Cleanup** email list by scanning
the QR code here or by entering your email
at <https://forms.gle/jXmyhmriQCsysyV19>



We hope to see you for any
month you are able to join us.
See you soon!

And Thank You!

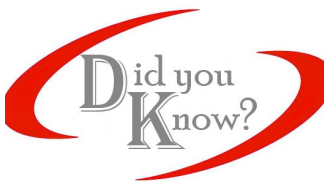
*Work Gloves and Trash Bags will be provided.

MEADOW VALE POLICE

(April 2023)

Police Blotter: For our purposes, the definition of a “Police Blotter” is a written record of facts, meaningful events, interesting occurrences, or crime prevention tips documented, when appropriate, in the city’s monthly newsletter.

Officers of the Meadow Vale Police Department and Louisville Metro Police Department have recently recovered stolen Kia and Hyundai vehicles abandoned in our city. The vehicles’ rear windows are broken, and steering columns are breached. BEWARE if you own one of these types of vehicles. Apparently, the thieves access the Internet where ample information is found concerning how to easily steal certain models of Kia and Hyundai vehicles. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration promulgated an article entitled, “Hyundai and Kia Launch Service Campaign to Prevent Theft of Millions.” If you are interested, the site for this article is as follows: “<https://www.nhtsa.gov/press-releases/hyundai-kia-campaign-prevent-vehicle-theft>.”



Did you know that solicitation within the city limits of Meadow Vale is allowed. HOWEVER, there are several steps that must be taken before a permit is issued to the solicitor. An application must be submitted to the City Clerk that states the nature, character and quality of the goods or services to be offered for sale or delivery. The application also identifies if the solicitor has been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor. The city requires copies of all printed advertising proposed to be used in connection to the solicitation. Once the completed application is received, there begins an investigation of the applicant’s business reputation and moral character. Needless to say, it will take several days before a permit may be granted. If granted, the solicitor must carry the permit on their person, which will contain the words “Licensed Peddler or Licensed Solicitor,” that will show an expiration date for its use.

So, if a person is knocking on your door, you should ask them to show you the City of Meadow Vale’s Solicitation Permit. If they fail to do so, you should call the Meadow Vale Police Department (Officer on Duty 502-548-2599) and inform them of the situation. The City Clerk is available to accept applications for solicitations on Tuesdays from 10:00am until 2:00pm. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at 502-412-5500.

DISTRICT 17 NEWS



Metro Public Works is making progress on adding a self-service recycling location near the intersection of Shelbyville Road and I-265. An application has been filed to permit the placement of an asphalt pad at 13312 Aiken Road. This pad would allow for 10 total dumpsters, similar to the one shown above. This facility would essentially serve as a replacement for the Urton Lane recycling location that officially closed last March. As soon as we know when this site is ready to accept recyclables, we'll pass that information along. For more on recycling such as staffed/unstaffed sites and what items are accepted at each, click [here](#).

Other Numbers

Jefferson County Emergency
911

St Matthews Fire Department
502-893-7825

Rumpke Sanitation
502-568-3800

Louisville Gas & Electric
502-589-3500

MONTHLY MEETING

The City Commission of Meadow Vale meets 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