



April 2018

A City of Historic Homes

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From The Desk Of Mayor Jim

April is National Volunteer Month and we in Windy Hills are fortunate to have many volunteers that support the City all year round. THANKS to all our volunteers who have contributed to the success and pride we all share in our City.

I especially want to recognize our successful, hard working and dedicated City Council members (**Helen Davis, Kate Greer, Lou Phillips, Marianne Rademaker, Suzanne Spencer, and Mike Skelton**) that have contributed a combined total of almost 60 years service to our wonderful City. Your Council works very hard and responsibly for the betterment of our City. They represent you with diversified skills, perspectives, experience and opinions, all the while appreciating the need to work together as a TEAM.

2018 is an election year for Windy Hills Mayor and Council positions. I would encourage anyone interested in running for office to begin the process of learning more about the responsibilities and rewards of being a City Leader. You can do this by getting involved. Attend monthly Council meetings, talk to current Council members and/or myself, join projects that interest you, initiate new ideas and participate in implementation, etc.

I am proud to be mayor of a city full of committed and thoughtful citizens who time and again show themselves willing to put time and effort into making Windy Hills the BEST suburban city in METRO.

Tree Board News

The Tree Board had some dead trees removed and pruning done on Rudy Lane near Regency. The Board felt that the existing trees were dangerous to pedestrians walking on the sidewalk. Two trees have been planted in the area to replace those removed.



Just What Is The Right-Of-Way

The dictionary says that the right-of-way (ROW) is the legal right, established by usage or grant, to pass along a specific route through grounds or property belonging to another. A homeowner may think his/her property line begins at the edge of the street. In reality, it begins at the edge of the ROW. This distance is usually 30 feet from the center of the street but varies due to the terrain. Generally it begins right behind your water meter. However, the only sure way to determine your ROW is with a survey. Property owners are responsible for maintaining the ROW, which includes carrying for the trees and shrubs. Permanent structures, including parking pads, are no longer allowed to be constructed on the ROW. This does not include trees, shrubs, or ornamental decorations. But these could be removed in certain situations.

Please be aware that Windy Hills now requires a permit for adding, replacing, altering, or resurfacing driveways which cross the ROW. Applications for this "Encroachment Permit" are available from City Hall. Please contact us before you start your project.



City-Wide Yardsale?

If you are interested in having a City-Wide yard sale on Saturday, May 19, please e-mail or call Kate Greer before April 15: kategreer@gmail.com or 893-2059. If at least 25 homes are involved, the City will place newspaper ads in the *Courier Journal* and *The Voice*.

Coyotes In Windy Hills

Recently the St. Matthews office has had several calls from residents who have seen coyotes in the neighborhood. If they are there, they are probably around Windy Hills also. The canines have learned to adapt to living with humans as their habitats have disappeared.

Coyotes weigh between 29-33 pounds, have a slender snout, erect ears and a droopy bottle-shaped tail. Their color varies from light yellow to yellowish-brown. They live in woody patches and brush piles. They are, for the most part, nocturnal, but have been seen in daylight. Sightings are more frequent in spring when adults are seeking food for their pups and in the fall when young coyotes are establishing new



territories. Coyotes are susceptible to distemper, hepatitis, mange, parvovirus, and rabies. Their diet consists mainly of rodents, insects, fallen fruit, well-stocked bird feeders, Canada geese,

young fawns, food set out for outdoor pets, and small pets themselves. Be wary of letting your cat or small dog outside of a fenced area. A pack could attack a larger dog. Coyotes rarely confront humans. Deterrents include loud noises, water spraying, bright lights, and objects thrown at them. Should one seem aggressive, it may be because you are near its pups. Do not run from them.

To discourage them from your property, clear brush, don't put pet food outside, keep garbage cans in the garage or locked until right before collection. Don't chain your pets outside. If you have a fenced yard, keep the gate closed. It is unwise to put out traps that could harm coyotes as you could run the risk of catching a pet. Unfortunately, the bad news is that it is nearly impossible to eliminate them from our neighborhoods.

Brightside Cleanup

April 14 is the next Brightside Neighborhood cleanup. Volunteers are needed to spruce up our great city. Please join our City officials near Stock Yards bank at 9:00 A.M. Bags, gloves and doughnuts will be provided. The more volunteers, the quicker the job will be done.



Windy Hills Has New Website

The Council felt that its web site needed to be updated. It has been redesigned and is much more user friendly. Be sure to try it. Log on to cityofwindyhills.com. You will be pleasantly surprised.



Take Advantage Of The City Sibsidy Program

One goal of the City of Windy Hills is to increase our tree canopy. There is a program that our homeowners can use to get financial help planting up to two trees in their yard. Three nurseries are involved—Plant Kingdom, Wallitch Nursery, and Frank Otte on Bardstown Road.

The homeowner can visit any of these, pick out a tree(s), and receive a 20% discount. The tree must be planted by the nursery (it is guaranteed for one year). The homeowner pays the bill and fills out a form at the nursery. The nursery sends us the paperwork and a copy of the paid receipt. Then the City Clerk will send you a \$100 rebate for each tree.

Arbor Day Is Set

The Tree Board has set its Arbor Day for Sunday, April 15. The event will be held on the Green from 2:00-4:00. There will be activities for children, including a scavenger hunt. Light refreshments will be served. A drawing will be held for two trees, valued up to \$350, selected by the winners.

Lock Your Car

Some of our neighboring cities are reporting thefts of residents' unlocked cars. Don't become a statistic. You might also consider closing your garage doors—even if you are home.



Ways To Help The Environment



There are some things you may consider doing to reduce your carbon imprint.

- Take your recyclable items to the Center on Hubbards Lane. Separate them into categories (i.e. paper, glass, metal, plastic, batteries, funny lightbulbs). Better yet, take your nonslick newspapers over to the Humane Society.
- Purchase more locally grown food. This reduces transportation costs and gasoline use.
- You might even plant your own garden and/or visit farmers' markets.
- Shop consignment shops for second-hand clothes and household goods. Or donate to these places.
- Take tote bags to the grocery to eliminate the plastic bags.
- Use your newspaper bags to pick up dog waste. They are biodegradable.
- Consider a home energy audit to see what you can do to save heat and air conditioning usage. It also saves your checkbook.
- Wear a sweater in the winter and turn down your thermostat a few degrees. Lower it at night when you go to bed.
- Install ceiling fans. But don't keep them on unless someone is in the room where they are located.
- Plant a shade tree on the southeast side of your home.
- Take a shower instead of a bath.
- Only use your washer or dishwasher when you have a full load.
- Hang your clothes on a clothes line or rack in your backyard or basement instead of using the dryer.

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

ORDINANCE NO. 3 Series 2017/2018

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY, PURSUANT TO KRS 83A.070(1).

WHEREAS, KRS 83A.070(1) provides that the legislative body of each city shall by ordinance, fix the compensation for each elected council member not later than the first Monday in May in the year in which the officer is elected and whereas 2018 is the election year for the City Council members;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Windy Hills that the annual compensation for each Council member for the City of Windy Hills shall be \$1,200 per year, during the Council member's two year term of office.

Aforesaid compensation shall be prorated and paid quarterly beginning January 1, 2019.

The aforesaid compensation is subject to the annual cost of living adjustments that may be made pursuant to KRS 83A.075.

Any Ordinance inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

Enacted this the 12th day of March, 2018 by the City of Windy Hills.

CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY

ATTESTED BY:

E. James Ising, Mayor

Sandy Moore, City Clerk

Date of First Reading	2/12/18
Date of Second Reading	3/12/18
Date Adopted	3/12/18

Sojourn Second Art In The Park

Sojourn Community Church is hosting the 2nd

Annual Art in the Park event. All residents are invited on Sunday, May 6th from 4-6 on the Sojourn lawn. There will be art activities for kids, light snacks and music. Resident artists



are encouraged to submit art for display. Limited spaces available. Contact Ginnie Meredith at Ginnie.Meredith@gmail.com for consideration. Come enjoy a day of Art in the Park with neighbors and friends!



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City Council meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month, 7:00 pm at Sojourn Community Church, 2501 Rudy Lane.

Emergency – Fire – Police

EMS..... 911

Graymoor/Devondale Police 327-2677

Thru Sheriff Dept. Dispatch 574-5471

St. Matthews Fire District .. 893-7825

(Business)

District 7 Metro Councilwoman,

Angela Leet 574-1107

Metro Call..... 574-5000

or 311

Animal Control Protection..... 361-1318

Dog or Cat Complaints..... 363-6609

Health Department..... 574-6520

Jefferson County Clerk 574-5700

(All branches can be reached at above number)

LG&E 589-1444

(To report street light outages)

MSD Customer Service..... 587-0603

Planning and Design Services 574-6230

Recycling Center..... 896-1293

St. Matthews/Eline Library..... 574-1771

Waste Management..... 1-866-237-7019

Give this account # **169216991**



CITY OF WINDY HILLS

4350 Brownsboro Road, Suite 110

Windy Hills, Kentucky 40207

Kentucky Watercolor Society Exhibit

If spring fever has you wanting to be out and about, come see Water Works, the new exhibit at the Kentucky Watercolor Society gallery, located in the Brownsboro Center Arcade. The exhibit will feature a variety of subjects, techniques and mediums and will run from April through June.



The gallery is open Thursday and Friday from 11-4

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." Winston Churchill