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City of Indian Hills Newsletter

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A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Welcome summer and goodbye cicadas!

Summer is here and I and your City Council wish you a fun, safe, and COVID free summer. We have planned several events this year to put on your calendars. Our first event is the Fourth of July parade that will start at 10:00 AM on Merrick Rd. led by our Indian Hills Police and the St. Matthews Fire Department. I want to thank Kelly Seiler for bringing back the parade and organizing this great event for our kids and adults.

On Saturday August 28th from 9:00 – 12:00 the City of Indian Hills will sponsor a shred day. This year's shred event will be at Sagamore Park where we will guide you to enter on Westwind Rd and exit on to Indian Hills Trail. This is a very popular event for our residents, please make sure you only bring paper, no cardboard or plastic bags.

This year the Indian Hills Council approved a 50% increase in the tree program, this will budget for 30 new hardwood trees to add to our canopy. In this newsletter you will see the application that is due by September 30th to Vance vonBorries. The drawing for the trees will be on Sunday October 3rd in Sagamore Park during Octoberfest, you don't need to be present to win.

Speaking of Octoberfest, after a year off due to COVID, we are bringing it back on a somewhat smaller scale. This year we will have barbeque, food, and drinks for all our residents who want to attend, so mark your calendar for Sunday October 3rd.

Have a great summer and we hope to see you at the upcoming events!

Mayor Chip Hancock



CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Louisville Boat Club located at 4200 River Road. The dates of upcoming meetings are:

Jul 15

Aug 19

Sep 16

All meetings are open to the public. The monthly Agenda will be placed on the City's website (www.indianhillsky.org) a day or two prior to the scheduled meeting.

CITY BUDGET & TAX RATE

At our June Council Meeting, the Council passed an annual budget for FYE 06/2022 as provided in Ordinance No. 1, Series 2021 and is posted on our website (www.indianhillssky.org)

At a later date, the Council will vote on a property tax rate for FYE 06/2022. Since several, if not all, properties in our City were reassessed by the Jefferson County PVA and some of the assessments may be lowered due to appeals by the taxpayers, the City was advised by a Kentucky League of Cities representative to delay passing a tax rate ordinance until the property assessments become final and are provided by the Jefferson County PVA. This may take until July or August.

ATTENTION TO:



Owners allowing their dogs run loose. City Ordinance (Code 6.04.020) reads in part:

6.04.020 Animals running at large.

“A. No person who is the owner of any animal shall permit it to run at large in any public road, highway, street, lane, or alley, or upon unenclosed land, or permit it to go on any private yard, lot, or enclosure without the consent of the owner of the yard, lot, or enclosure.

6.04.010 Definitions. “ ‘At large’ means off the premises of the owner, and not under the control of the owner or his/her agent either by leash, cord, chain, or otherwise.”

PLEASE abide by City Ordinance—Keep your dogs on a leash!

Owners not picking up their pet’s excrement. City Ordinance (Code 6.04.070) reads in part:

6.04.070 Removal of animal excrement.

“No person shall allow an animal to be upon public property or the property of another, absent the consent of the owner or occupant of the property, without some device for the removal and containment of the animal’s excrement; nor shall any person fail to remove any excrement deposited on public or private property within the city by any animal....”

PLEASE abide by City Ordinance—Pick up your pet’s waste and dispose of it properly!

Residents with lawn care service. City Ordinance (Code 8.24.020) reads:

8.24.020 Scheduling.

“It shall be unlawful for a commercial grass cutter to mow lawns in the City of Indian Hills on any day before 8:00 A.M. or after 6:00 P.M. or during any hour on Sunday.”

PLEASE abide by City Ordinance—No commercial lawn care on Sundays, not before 8:00 a.m. or later than 6:00 p.m. any other day!

LET’S ALL WORK TOGETHER AND BE GOOD NEIGHBORS!!!



COP'S CORNER

By Chief Kelly W. Spratt



FIREWORKS

As the country celebrates Independence Day, please be courteous to your neighbors – and obey the law – by limiting your selection of fireworks to only those that are legal within Jefferson County – sparklers, snakes, trick noisemakers, and the like. Basically, any firework that flies or explodes is prohibited.

HOUSE WATCH PROGRAM

As COVID-19 travel restrictions ease across the country, we expect to see an increase in residents utilizing our House Watch Program. This service involves our patrol officers checking the exterior of your home several times each day – observing for anything amiss. We believe that our random presence deters burglary or theft attempts at the participating homes, and we encourage everyone to take advantage of this service. Signing up is simple – just visit our website www.indianhillssky.org/police and click on the yellow “Click to Submit House Watch Request” button.

*Follow the Indian Hills Police Department
On Facebook and Twitter
@ihpdky*

REMINDERS FROM IHPD:

- Obey the City speed limit of 25 MPH.
- Lock your cars, especially at night, make sure anything of value is either removed from the car or locked in the trunk.

REMINDERS FROM THE DESK OF JIM GRAVEN:

- **No** basketball goals at or on street
 - **No** rubbish, trash or yard trimmings allowed to be stored on property
 - **No** boats, ski jets, campers or utility trailers in view from street
 - **No** cooking grills on front porch or front yards
 - **P**lace your garbage cans and recycling out Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning of the pickup, and make sure you remove the cans from the street the day of the pickup.
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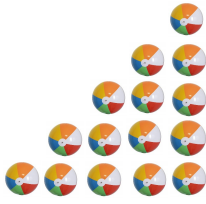
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Before you build or remodel (includes driveways, swimming pools and any interior or exterior renovations), a City permit is required. A permit is also needed for a dumpster or an outdoor storage container, such as a POD (Portable On Demand Storage). They are not allowed to be dropped and parked on City streets. Please contact Jim Graven at 552-4250.



NEIGHBORHOOD WALK..... SAFE

Mayor Hancock and the Indian Hills Council want you to WALK SAFE by following these safety guidelines as you enjoy your neighborhood walk.



WALK FACING traffic

WALK your pet on your left with a short leash

WALK single file on roadway

BE VISIBLE wear light color reflective clothing

BE ALERT to your surroundings.



UPCOMING EVENTS

4th of July Parade—A committee has been working on this for the past few weeks. The parade starts at 10:00 a.m. on Merrick Road led by the Indian Hills Police and St. Matthews Fire Dept. If you're not doing anything, come and have a doughnut.

Seeking Residents' Input—Come to the public meeting on July 29, 5:30pm, at Second Presbyterian Church to hear about and comment on Booker Design Cooperative's initial concepts for the Indian Hills Landscape Design Plan. The Plan, when completed, will describe appropriate designs and plantings for the City's public areas including entrances, intersections, roadways and parks.

The goal is to have landscapes that are aesthetically pleasing, sustainable and low maintenance. At this first public meeting, attendees will have the opportunity to provide comments and suggestions which will be very helpful for the final concept development.

Shredding Event—August 28, 2021—from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. See flyer on page 7.

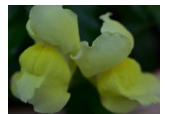
Oktoberfest—Sunday October 3, 2021—more information to follow in upcoming weeks.

Did you know—residents interested in receiving city-related information such as upcoming events, please go to the City's website www.indianhillssky.org, click on "Subscribe to E-mail List, fill out and submit the form.

UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS

(Answers are on page 7)

1. DNWI TCRAEHC _____
2. SUHEO WHTAC GPORMAR _____
3. PASN ANRDGO _____
4. OGD NO SHLAE _____
5. SERO _____
6. LITPU LPROAP _____
7. YDLAIYL _____
8. KWLA FEAS _____
9. ABEHC LBLA _____
10. DRHENGIDS NVTEE _____



Indian Hills Canopy Tree Program – 2021



It may have been a long dark winter but there's lots of green on the horizon! The Indian Hills Tree Committee is back for the 5th continuous year, offering new options for our Canopy Tree packages.

What have we accomplished?

The committee's efforts resulted in the planting of about **100** trees! And this year we can add another **30** to the total!

Tell me again why we need trees? If you're new to the program or to the benefits of canopy trees, there are many environmental, economic and aesthetic benefits.

What can you do to make a difference in 2021?

Consider planting a canopy tree on your property (front or side). IH will continue to share the expense with the resident. The total cost is \$500. **You agree to pay half the total cost of the tree & services provided (\$250.00) and the City pays the other half (\$250.00).**

Attached is an application and instructions for the IH Tree Program. This year's tree choices are listed on the application.

New resident "Welcome Trees" - if you are new to Indian Hills (June 1, 2020 to June 1, 2021), you can enter your name for one of three (3) **FREE** trees to be given away with all costs paid by the Indian Hills Environmental Committee. The odds are quite good! And it's a great opportunity to meet the IH committee members and learn about the program!

Existing residents – the successful program remains the same with half the cost paid by the homeowner and the other half by the City of Indian Hills.

Entering your name in the drawing does not obligate you to take part in the program if your name is drawn. So go ahead and complete the form and submit online using the link or follow instructions to mail or email by the deadline

Thank you for participating and supporting the expansion of healthy canopy trees in our community.

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now." Chinese Proverb



INDIAN HILLS TREE CANOPY PLANTING PROGRAM 2021



We are excited to have you participate. Please read the following instructions and feel free to ask any questions prior to completing and submitting the attached application below.

Costs are shared between the City and private property owners:

- This program is a shared expense between the resident and the City of Indian Hills. The total cost is to be about \$500. **You agree to pay half the total cost of the tree & services provided (\$250.00) and the City pays the other half (\$250.00).**
- We only have 30 trees to offer this year and they are available to any resident of the City of Indian Hills who owns a detached home and is a taxpayer.
- This program is limited to one tree per household. *Elected officials & Committee members are not eligible.*
- The tree must be planted in the front or side yard to optimize canopy shade tree benefits.
- Species for this program are limited to those designated by the arborist and include:
Tulip Poplar, Willow Oak, White Oak and Red Maple.

Submit the completed form online (<https://indianhillssky.org/treepro/>) OR email to Vance vonBorries at vonborriesw@bellsouth.net **OR mail to Vance at 64 Indian Hills Trail, 40207**, by September 30, 2021 to be entered in the drawing. If your name is drawn, *you will be contacted* with further instructions about the arborist site visit and payment will be required at that time.

2021 Application

Name: _____

Email: _____ Tree Choice: _____

Address: _____

Phone (home) : _____ (work): _____ (cell) _____

Your signature acknowledges that canopy trees are valuable assets that require your stewardship.

DEADLINE: No later than close of business September 30, 2021. Don't miss out!

Signature _____ Date _____

Date received: _____ (to be completed by IHTC)

The Indian Hills Tree Committee thanks you for participating. All applications received will be entered in the draw selection at the annual Oktoberfest and you don't have to be present to win. Good luck!

Vance vonBorries
IHTC Chairperson

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES 2021
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR
THE CITY OF INDIAN HILLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021
AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022, ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, an Annual Budget proposal and Message has been prepared and delivered to the City Council, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modifications, now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF INDIAN HILLS:

SECTION 1. The annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, is hereby adopted as follows:

	General Fund	Road Fund
Resources available:		
Fund Balance Carried Forward	1,970,000	15,000
Estimated Revenues:		
Net Property Tax - includes discount	1,108,000	
Bank Franchise Deposit Tax	30,000	
Telecommunication Tax Income	15,000	
Interest/Dividend Income	9,000	
Insurance Fee Income	380,000	
Municipal Aid Program		58,000
Permit & Other Income	10,000	
Indian Hills Tree Program	7,500	
Total Estimated Revenues	<u>1,559,500</u>	<u>58,000</u>
Total Resources Available for Appropriation	3,529,500	73,000
Estimated Appropriations:		
Police Protection	821,556	
Waste Removal	235,000	
Parks/Landscaping	200,000	
Environment Committee Expenses	25,000	
Utilities/Street Lighting	7,500	42,000
Snow Removal		30,000
Resident Programs	20,000	
Road Repairs/Maintenance		20,000
Street Signs		10,000
Infrastructure		11,000
Professional Fees	21,600	
Auto Expense	2,400	
Employee Wages	85,000	
Payroll Taxes	6,500	
Insurance/Bonds	13,000	
PVA Tax Processing Fee	35,000	
Safety and Security	2,000	
General Administration	14,000	
Indian Hills Tree Program	15,000	
Total Estimated Appropriations	<u>1,503,556</u>	<u>113,000</u>
Excess of Resources over Appropriations	2,025,944	-40,000
Anticipated Interfund Transfers	<u>-55,000</u>	<u>55,000</u>
Estimated Fund Balances at End of Fiscal Year	1,970,944	15,000

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect from and after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

First Reading May 20, 2021
Second Reading June 17, 2021
Passed and Approved June 17, 2021

Introduced by: Councillor Kay Matton

/S/

Attest: /S/

Chip Hancock, Mayor

Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk

<u>Council</u>	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Ms. Dreisbach	<u>X</u>	___
Ms. Dunbar	<u>X</u>	___
Mr. Garlove	<u>A</u>	___
Mr. Giesel	<u>X</u>	___
Ms. George	<u>X</u>	___
Mr. Harralson	<u>X</u>	___
Ms. Matton	<u>X</u>	___
Mr. Ulmer	<u>X</u>	___
Ms. Zinniel	<u>X</u>	___

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2021
AN ORDINANCE SETTING COMPENSATIONS FOR CITY OFFICERS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF INDIAN HILLS:

SECTION 1: The compensations of the following officers are herewith set in the following amounts, effective July 1, 2021.

Police Chief-Kelly Spratt	\$87,906
Works Director/Code Enforcement Officer-James P. Graven	\$32,445
City Clerk-Donna M. Sinkhorn	\$45,423

SECTION 2: Said compensations are in addition to any and all supplement amounts.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect from and after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

First Reading	May 20, 2021
Second Reading	June 17, 2021
Passed and Approved	June 17, 2021

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Mr. Ulmer	<u>X</u>	___
Ms. Zinniel	<u>X</u>	___

FLASHBACK—OCTOBERFEST 2019

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE OCTOBER 3, 2021!!



CITY OF INDIAN HILLS SHREDDING EVENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



The City of Indian Hills free shredding event will be on Saturday, August 28, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at:

SAGAMORE PARK

RML Shred will take any paper documents (paper clips, staples and rubber bands are allowed).

They will **NOT** take:

- CD's
- Floppy Disks
- Plastic Bags
- Cardboard

Please limit the paper items to your personal documents. **NO office documents** because of limited truck space.

NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO E-CYCLE

ANSWERS TO UNSCRAMBLE WORD—PAGE 4

1. WIND CATCHER 2. HOUSE WATCH PROGRAM 3. SNAP DRAGON 4. DOG ON LEASH 5. ROSE
6. TULIP POPLAR 7. DAYLILY 8. WALK SAFE 9. BEACH BALL 10. SHREDDING EVENT

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
3905 BROWNSBORO RD
LOUISVILLE KY 40207



CITY OF INDIAN HILLS

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295-2742

Laura Dunbar
896-0403

Lee Garlove
895-0312

LuAnn George
893-4292

James Giesel
777-1781

John Harralson III
836-2929

Kay Matton
895-8809

Gary Ulmer
893-6538

Mary (Mimi) Zinniel
541-3202

CITY STAFF

Jim Graven 552-4250 or
Public Works/Code Enf. 537-0689

Donna M. Sinkhorn 537-0830
City Clerk

Patty Deye 893-1375 Option 5
City Controller

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dispatch 893-2677

Police Chief Spratt 537-0718

Police House Watch 893-1375 Option 9

City's Website

www.indianhillssky.org

OTHER PHONE NUMBERS

Metro 7th District
Councilwoman Paula McCraney 574-1107

Metro 16th District
Councilman Scott Reed 574-1116

Animal Control Services 361-1318

Dog or Cat Complaints 363-6609

Eco-Tech LLC 935-1130

Health Dept 574-6520

Jeff. Co. Clerk 574-5700

(all branches may be reached at this number)

LG&E 589-1444

(to report down powerline or streetlight outage)

MSD Customer Service 587-0603

or Email MSD:

CustomerRelations@LouisvilleMSD.org

Planning & Design Services 574-6230

Correspondence relating to
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and mailed to the address on top left of
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