

City of Indian Hills Newsletter

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A Message from the Mayor

As I write to you today, we are only a few days to the start of Spring, which is when the city will start getting ready for a COVID free Derby. Since infection rates are dropping and more people are vaccinated, the city is planning to bring back our regular events that have been popular in the past but cancelled due to COVID.

City shred day has always been popular in the city, and we have had several calls requesting we do this twice a year, so we have scheduled our first shred day for Saturday May 14th from 9:00 -12:00. The truck will be in Sagamore Park for drop off, so please only bring your personal paper for shredding, NO Cardboard. Our second shred day will be in the fall, but no date has been set yet; look for more information to follow.

Octoberfest is coming back this year to Sagamore Park, so please mark your calendars for Sunday, October 2nd from noon to 3:00. The city will provide food, beverages, and plenty of fun for the kids.

There are a couple safety projects that are scheduled in the city, the first is the re-construction of the bridge on Stonebridge Road. The State of Kentucky has received funding to rebuild the bridge, so it will meet state code for tonnage requirements. This project will take several weeks to complete and caution vehicles will be on Blankenbaker Ln. to help with traffic flow.

The city has approved and contracted a new camera security system to help stop or prevent crime in the city. This system is a network that several other area cities are currently using in Kentucky and nationally. The camera system will immediately text our officers if a reported criminal vehicle has entered the city. This is just another tool our police can use to prevent crime in the city.

Have a wonderful Spring and Derby, and I hope to see you at our shred event.

Mayor Chip Hancock

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

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

Apr 20

May 18

Jun 15

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.



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CITY ANNUAL AUDIT



Our City Controller, Patty Deye, has been busy working (remotely) with Auditors from Dean Dorton and assisting them with the preparation of the City's annual Audit Report.

We are happy to inform you, once again, the City has received a clean unmodified opinion; it was a clean audit, no issues, no deficiencies. A special THANK YOU to our Mayor and City Council for overseeing the City's finances and to Patty for doing a great job!!

You may go to the City's website (www.indianhillssky.org) to view the entire Audit Report

BRIDGE on STONEBRIDGE ROAD

The rebuilding of the bridge on Stonebridge Road will begin the first week of April 2022 with a potential completion date of September 21, 2022. Once completed, it will be able to handle up to 18 Ton vehicles.

This project is part of the Bridging Kentucky Program and will be at no cost to our city.

When needed, the company who was let the contract will be directing traffic, so please adhere to those directions for your and others safety.

We will post more information as it becomes available on our website at www.indianhillssky.org.



ELECTION 2022

This November, you will be voting for mayor and city councilmembers. The mayorship is a four-year term and the council seat is a two-year term. If you are interested in running for office, the deadline to file with the Jefferson County Clerk's Office, Election Center, is June 7, 2022.

More information or the required candidate filing forms can be located at www.sos.ky.gov. Click on "Elections" and then "Candidate Filing Forms" or go to the county clerk's website at <http://elections.jeffersoncountyclerk.org/>. Select "Forms and Reports", then select "Candidate Filing Forms" from the dropdown list.

According to Kristi Gay and Ronnie Weeman, Administrators for the Election Center, "The completed forms along with the filing fee can be dropped off or mailed to the Jefferson County Clerk's Office Election Center, Attn: Candidate Filings at 1000 E. Liberty St., Louisville KY 40204 by the filing deadline. All forms require a wet signature, with notarization where applicable."





COP'S CORNER

By Chief Kelly W. Spratt



FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION

The Indian Hills Police Department investigated more crimes in 2021 than in 2020. Many of these crimes involve fraud or identity theft. While several of these crimes were committed via computer and with no knowledge of the victim, many others involved contact with the victim.

Below are some useful tips to prevent yourself from falling victim to such a crime...

- **NEVER** purchase gift cards when requested by a telephone caller.
- **NEVER** relay gift card, credit card, or bank account information to someone who has called you and demanded this information to pay for a relative's bail or attorney fees, or your own utility bill.
- **NEVER** send cash via mail or courier service.
- **SIMPLY HANG UP** if you receive a telephone call that requests any of the above
- **NEVER** place outgoing mail in your home's mailbox, or a public drop box (after the last scheduled pick-up time for the day), that includes checks, credit card information, or personal information such as your Social Security Number – it is safer to take directly to your nearest US Post Office location.
- If you are embarrassed about discussing with family members about being a fraud victim, then contact Detective Snook at 502.537.0659 for advice
- Regularly monitor your credit card and bank statements to check for fraudulent charges.
- Call our Dispatch at 893-2677 to report any suspicious activity.

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

REMINDER—SHARE THE ROAD & SLOW DOWN

The speed limit in a residential area is 25 miles per hour. We have many walkers and bicyclists in our beautiful city & with warmer weather right around the corner and longer daylight hours, we will have many more.

While driving any vehicle, you should be aware of your surroundings. Watch for pedestrians, bicyclists and other vehicles.....

Drivers, please be a good neighbor, share the road and obey the posted speed limits—your fellow residents are watching and so are our police officers.

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INDIAN HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT - CRIME ALERT

On the evening of 3.3.2022, the following Crime Alert was emailed to those whose e-mail addresses are on file with the Indian Hills Police Department:

INDIAN HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

CRIME ALERT



The Indian Hills Police Department, along with several departments across the country, have received reports of telephone scams involving the possible kidnapping of family members.

These scammers will convince the victim that they have kidnapped the victim's child or grandchild, and demand that the victim drive to a designated ATM or provide specific bank or credit card information over the telephone. These scammers are very skilled at obtaining information from the victim that makes the hoax convincing. These scams are similar in nature to those that involve a supposed family member needing bail money or attorney fees following, or to prevent, an arrest.

Below is a link to valuable information and tips to prevent from falling victim to such a hoax...

<https://www.aarp.org/money/scams-fraud/info-2019/grandparent.html?intcmp=AE-FWN-LIB2-POS4>

If you believe you have been a victim of such a crime, please call our Dispatch at 502.893.2677 and request to speak to an officer with the Indian Hills Police Department.

The Indian Hills Police Department utilizes an e-mail subscription service to disseminate recent crime information and important traffic safety issues. This service has been instrumental in assisting our Department in solving crimes and identifying those responsible.

If you would like to subscribe to receive Crime Alerts, please send your name and email address(es) to:

police@ihpd.org.

2021 YEAREND STATS

TYPE	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	Change
Calls For Service	73	73	125	107	88	86	111	80	76	80	94	72	1,065	1,044	2.0%
Business/House Watch Requests	46	48	86	75	49	78	99	67	58	67	65	63	801	570	40.5%
Business/House Checks	3,356	2,821	3,900	3,089	2,357	4,086	4,989	4,297	2,953	2,837	3,307	3,420	41,412	42,842	-3.3%
Crime Reports	8	2	22	10	3	1	3	4	5	2	1	3	64	49	30.6%
Collision Reports	1	3	2	0	1	1	3	2	2	4	3	1	23	30	-23.3%
Arrests/Criminal Citations	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	5	0	3	0	1	22	17	29.4%
Traffic Citations	19	30	30	27	27	14	17	15	26	17	17	1	240	191	25.7%
Traffic Stops	32	35	44	37	37	20	23	24	29	20	21	8	330	356	-7.3%



NEW RESIDENT



If you are a new resident of the City of Indian Hills, our “Welcome Packet” is now on our website. Just go to www.indianhillssky.org and click on the yellow tab “New Resident Welcome Packet” in the center of the home page.

FYI— Residents interested in receiving city-related information such as upcoming events, please go to the City’s website www.indianhillssky.org then click on “Subscribe to E-mail List, fill out and submit the form.

RESIDENTS—PET OWNERS

Please be a responsible pet owner and a better neighbor—do not let your dog/pet run loose. Any animal must be on a leash and not be permitted to run at large when not in an enclosed backyard. It is not only a violation of City Code §6.04.020 A but Metro Animal Control Services. You surely don’t want your neighbor contacting Metro Animal Services filing a complaint.

REMINDER: License tags and rabies vaccination tags shall be required for each dog or cat four months of age or older in Jefferson County.

REMINDER: Scoop up your dog’s waste and dispose of it properly.

METRO ANIMALSERVICES

To report a stray/dangerous dog/animal or if you suspect cruelty to an animal and as long as it is not a wild animal, please call Metro Animal Services at 473-PETS (7387). For more information about their services go to their website at LouisvilleKy.gov and click on “Resident” tab and then on “Animals”.



TRASH COLLECTION

(Go to City’s website: www.indianhillssky.org)

- Trash, Recycling and Yard Waste are collected on Wednesdays.
- Recycling (in plastic collection bin) is picked up at curbside.
- Yard Waste is an individually subscribed service.



***New residents with questions may contact Eco-Tech directly at 935.1130; or contact Jim Graven at 502.552.4250; or visit the City’s website (www.indianhillssky.org) or email your questions to clerk@indianhillssky.org

TRASH/RECYCLING/YARD WASTE RECEPTACLES

PLEASE be considerate of your neighbors and mindful of the City’s appearance by not putting out garbage, recycling and yard waste containers until Tuesday night and retrieving them by day’s end on Wednesday.

Ecotech observes six holidays a year for residential customers:

New Years Day
Labor Day

Memorial Day
Thanksgiving Day

Independence Day
Christmas Day

If the collection day falls on or after an observed holiday during that business week, i.e., Monday through Friday, that week’s collection day will be postponed by one day. If a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, it does not affect the collection schedule.



BRRRRR.....

Just a shout out and THANKS to Jim Graven and crew for the great job of salting and plowing our roads. Please keep in mind, when there is ice on the roads and severe cold temperatures, there isn't much that can be done, salting would only make it refreeze and possibly make roads worse.



Looking forward to warmer days ahead!!!!



LOOKING FORWARD TO WARMER DAYS!!

Here are some important **REMINDERS** as you begin spending and enjoying more time outdoors:

Please walk on the left side of the street facing traffic, not in the middle of the road.

WALK your pet on your left with a short leash

If riding your bike and/or your children riding bikes: for your and your children's safety, wear bike helmets; ride with the flow of traffic; and obey Stop & Yield signs.

Lawn mowing and leaf removal should be done after 9:00 AM, and end at 6:00 PM M-F. Be considerate of your neighbors—they don't want to hear the lawn mower or leaf blower while they sit on their patio or deck.

No commercial lawn care on Sundays.

If you received/purchased a tree through the Indian Hills Tree Program, please keep the deer cage in place for 5 to 6 years.

JIM'S REMINDERS:

- **No** parking on dirt or grass - park on hard/durable surfaces only
- **No** inoperable or unlicensed motor vehicles on property (store in garage)
- **No** more than 4 cars stored outside of garage
- **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** deteriorating, rusted or falling gutters
- **No** cooking grills on front porch or front yards
- **No** indoor furniture at front of home

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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.



CITY OF INDIAN HILLS SHREDDING EVENT



SATURDAY, May 14, 2022
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



The City of Indian Hills free shredding event will be on Saturday, May 14, 2022, 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 (NO electronics-cellphones, computers, etc.)

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CITY OF INDIAN HILLS

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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

Metro Animal Control Services 473-7387

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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