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City of Indian Hills Newsletter

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A Message from the Mayor

Happy Fall!

On Sunday October 8th, we celebrated Octoberfest in Sagamore Park, and the weather could not have been any better. We had a great turnout, and served well over 250 people barbeque, ice cream, and soft drinks. I want to thank Jim Graven for another perfect Octoberfest, Jim pretty much organized the entire event, so thank you Jim.

We just completed our 2021-July 22 audit, and Dean Dorton presented us with another clean audit for the year. This audit will be available on the Indian Hills website for public review.

The 2022 tax bills just went out in the mail, so look for them so you can take advantage of the discount if they're paid prior to December 31st. These tax bills are mailed to each homeowner, so if your mortgage company is escrowing your taxes, it is your responsibility to forward the bill to your mortgage company.

The November elections are coming up, and a new slate of Council members will be elected. I want to thank each of our Council members for their time and talent over the last two years and I look forward to working with the new Council starting in January 2023.

Have a wonderful Fall season, and a great Thanksgiving!



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:

Oct 19

Nov 16

Dec 21

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.

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



CITY PROPERTY TAX BILLS



On October 17th, the City of Indian Hills 2022 Property Tax Bills were mailed to taxpayers to the addresses provided by the Jefferson County PVA tax roll records. **IF you do not receive your tax bill by November 14th**, please contact our City Clerk, Donna, via email at clerk@indianhillsky.org or call 502.893.1375.

We ask you please to:

1. Provide your phone number on your check in case there is any issue with it. In the past, there have been checks being in two different amounts or not being signed.
2. If your tax payment is made by your mortgage company or made by someone other than you, it is **your responsibility** to provide a copy of your tax bill to whomever pays your taxes.
3. Allow ample time for your payment to arrive by mailing it early. It seems the mail system continues to be slower than in the past years. We would like for our residents to take advantage of the 20% discount, so please be sure your payment may be received no later than December 31, 2022

We thank you for getting your tax payment in early.

CITY ANNUAL AUDIT

It has been a few busy months for City Controller, Patty Deye, who has been working 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.indianhillsky.org) to view the entire Audit Report.

ELECTION 2022

Just a reminder that November 8, 2022 is Election Day. According to the Jefferson County Clerk Election Center website (Elections.jeffersoncountyclerk.org):

"In-person No-excuse Absentee-(Early) Voting"

November 3, 4, 5
8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

One of the eight locations for early voting is located at

Marriott East
1903 Embassy Square Blvd.
Louisville, Ky 40299

For a complete list of locations, visit the abovementioned website.

OR

You may vote in-person at your precinct. If you are uncertain where your precinct is located, please go to <http://jeffersoncountyclerk.org/wheredoivote>

"In-person Excused Absentee Voting" ([visit the abovementioned website to see if you qualify](#))

October 26, 27, 28, 31 &
November 1, 2

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at

Jefferson County Clerk Election Center
1000 E. Liberty Street
Louisville, Ky 40204

LET'S ALL GET OUT THERE & DO OUR PART—VOTE!!



COP'S CORNER

By Chief Kelly W. Spratt



INDIAN HILLS CRIMES THRU SEPTEMBER 30

The list below contains crimes that occurred within Indian Hills between January and September of this year. As you can see, fraud-related crimes are significant and have the most impact on the residents of the city. It should also be noted that a number of the "Theft" and "Theft of Mail Matter" crimes are directly connected to the fraud crimes, and not necessarily a separate event.

While most of the fraud crimes are committed online or over the telephone, the cooperation between our residents and every member of the Police Department has made a positive impact on developing suspects and filing criminal charges. This cooperation and effort will make it harder for these offenders to continue their actions, particularly in our area.

- 1 Burglary (Business)
- 2 Burglary (Residential)
- 2 Criminal Mischief
- 3 Criminal Trespass/Disorderly Conduct
- 1 Drug Offense
- 16 Fraud Related
(Identity Theft/Deception/Extortion/Computer Access/Etc)
- 2 Harassment/Harassing Communications
- 19 Shoplifting
- 11 Theft
- 4 Theft From Auto
- 3 Theft Of Mail Matter

Scam and fraud prevention tips can be found by visiting <https://www.ncpc.org/fraud/>.

Always report suspicious activity by calling our Dispatch at 893-2677.

CRIME ALERT E-MAIL SERVICE

Be sure to subscribe to the Indian Hills Police Department's Crime Alert E-Mail service by visiting our website www.indianhillssky.org/police to receive crucial and time-sensitive emails regarding recent criminal activity or traffic information.

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



RESIDENTS—WE NEED YOUR HELP!!



For many reasons, the City of Indian Hills is hands down the best city in Kentucky! Our residents care for one another, and as the pictures at the end of this newsletters prove, we enjoy one another's friendship and company. There are so many ways we can continue being the best city in this state. Some of those ways are as simple as :

- Place your trash cans and recycling out Tuesday evening or early Wednesday morning of the pickup, and please remove the cans from the street the day of the pickup.
- No rubbish, trash or yard trimmings allowed to be stored on property
- No speeding—adhere to speed limits, stop signs & traffic restrictions—be aware of your surroundings at all times—watch for pedestrians, bicyclists and other vehicles, etc.!!
- Littering prohibited—Please do not litter and if you happen to see any litter, please pick up and dispose of it properly.
- Watch out for your neighbor/each other-report any suspicious activity by calling Indian Hills Police dispatch 502.893.2677

If you are a pet owner, the following information pertains to you:

- **Poo pickup**—Pick up your animal's poo..... And place the poo bag in the trash, not in your neighbor's yard or on public property.
- **Electronic fences**—If you have an invisible electric fence to keep your dog in your yard, and it can still nip at dogs being walked on a leash, PLEASE check the dog's collar to be sure it is working properly, possibly increase the voltage, or you may need to retrain your dog. Someone walking their pet on a leash should not be worried about it being attacked/nipped at.
- **Animals running loose**—Allowing your pet (including cat) to run/wander loose is strictly prohibited. Code of Ordinance Section 93.02— Animals Running at Large provides: "(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." (emphasis added)

Thank you all for keeping our city the best in Jefferson County by being the best you!!!

YOUNG VOLUNTEER BUILDS LENDING LIBRARY



Thanks to Henry Dixon, a young volunteer working for his Eagle Scout rank, we have a nicely built and fully-stocked Lending Library in Travois Park. It has books for all ages. He has done an outstanding job of building it and providing the books. As part of this project, he will continue to maintain it and ask for book donations in the future.

HENRY DIXON, the Mayor and City Council thanks you for this great addition to our park.



JULY 4TH PARADE & OCTOBERFEST

On pages 6 & 7 you will find photos of this year's 4th of July Parade and the Octoberfest. Both events were a huge success and would not have been possible without help and hard work. We would like to thank the volunteer residents, Kelly Seiler, Eleanor Renfro, Sara Beth Escosa, and Jennifer Cress, for their help on organizing the parade. We would also like to thank our Police Department for their presence at both events.

Also, a SPECIAL THANK YOU to Jim Graven for ALL he has done to make both of these events possible.