



The Barbourmeade News

FALL 2013



Mayor's Notes

I am very pleased to advise you that your Commission was able to prepare this years Budget for the City of Barbourmeade without having to raise the City property tax rate or reduce any services that the City provides. This is the third year in a row that we have been able to accomplish this task and I would like to thank the Commissioners who supported this position.

As you may be aware, an important source of revenue for our City is the taxes charged on insurance premiums. Please insure that the City of Barbourmeade is listed as your city on all of your insurance premium bills otherwise the tax is sent to the City of Louisville or whatever other city is listed on your bill. Taxes on premiums are charged on all types of insurance policies whether they be casualty/liability insurance policies such as auto, truck, RV, motorcycle and boat policies as well as homeowner/renters insurance, personal umbrella policies and on the first year life insurance policy premiums. Please check all of your policies and kindly change the city to Barbourmeade if need be. It will not cost you any additional money but will enable the City to continue providing all needed services without a real estate tax increase as we have done for the past three years.

As always, if you have any questions, problems or needs please feel free to contact me by email at bnc48@aol.com or by text at (502) 876-6230. I am here to serve you as are the other members of the Commission.

Thank you – Bryan Coomer

Animal Control

Typically we only deal with domesticated animal calls; however, on June 7 we received a call about two baby falcons who had fallen out of their nests. Upon arrival we discovered the birds were flightless and pretty defenseless. We consulted Louisville Raptor Rehab, a non-profit organization that specializes in raptors, and were able to safely capture the birds and deliver them to their rehab center. Although one of the baby red-shouldered falcons did not make it, the other was successfully rehabbed and released into the wild at Beckley Creek Park on July 6. For more information about the Louisville Raptor Rehab please go to www.raptorrehab.org

Roads and Maintenance

The City of Barbourmeade is currently reviewing road conditions and will be prioritizing roads for resurfacing in 2014. If you believe a particular road needs to be included please contact us at roadmaintenance@barbourmeade.org or 424-7181. As always, if there are other conditions which need immediate attention please contact us as well.

Thank y – Brian Davis

POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR OUR CITY – GRAYMOOR-DEVONDALE
CONTACT NO: (502)327 – COPS (2677)

Safety News

To see or talk to a police officer or to file a report, PLEASE phone 327 – COPS (2677). The dispatcher will contact the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department (GDPD) who are on duty 24 hours a day – 7 days a week. Please advise GDPD and the city Safety Commissioner, Dan Streit, of the details of any crime or accident reports taken by other police departments so they are aware of crimes in our City.

PLEASE Observe the Following:

- **Do not speed or run stop signs – citations will be written**
- Do not park within 30 feet of a stop or yield sign (state law)
- Park in the same direction as the traffic flow (state law)
- **Do not impede traffic when parking on the street**
- **Do not place garbage cans or yard waste on the street**
- Burning leaves, branches or trash is illegal
- **DO NOT park on street during snowy weather**

Safety Suggestions:

- Have adequate outdoor lighting
- **Do not open your door to strangers – City has a No Solicitation ordinance**
- Keep your valuables out of sight
- Do not leave items (such as bicycles) in your front yard
- **Close and lock all doors at night and when you are away, including car doors**
- Have your house number visible from the street
- All guests should park on the same side of the street
- **Graymoor-Devondale police will check your house when you go out of town upon request – call 327-COPS (2677)**

Important Numbers:

- Emergency (Police, Fire and EMS): 911
- To contact our police department 327-COPS (2677)
- Louisville Gas & Electric Co.:
 - Street light outage 589-1444
 - Electric trouble 589-3500
 - Gas trouble 589-5511
- Louisville Water Company 583-6610
- Metropolitan Sewer District 587-0603
- American Red Cross (**they need blood**): 589-4450

*****IMPORTANT*****

Insurance Taxes

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On the Policy Declarations page of your insurance bills, BARBOURMEADE should be listed on the City Premium Tax line. If BARBOURMEADE is not listed, PLEASE call your insurance company AND advise Dan Streit. Premium tax is charged on casualty/liability insurance such as auto, motorcycle, boat, homeowners or renters, personal umbrella and first year's life insurance premium. PLEASE check all policies. These tax dollars should come to BARBOURMEADE to benefit you. Last fiscal year we received \$84,844. Also PLEASE have your insurance mailing address as BARBOURMEADE, KY – using your nine-digit zip code. – Thank you, Dan Streit

Sanitation News

Fall is here! Soon we will be raking leaves and pruning bushes for their long winter's nap. See below for Rumpke's Yard Waste Collection Policy. Barbourmeade Sanitation information is also available at www.Barbourmeade.org

Rumpke observes six holidays for residential customers: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day. If one of the six holidays occurs on a Monday, then pick-up will be on Tuesday.

Please have your containers at the curb no earlier than 3pm the day before pick-up and remove cans by 6pm after pick-up.

Rumpke Yard Waste Collection policy:

- Yard waste is collected every week
- Placed loosely in a 30-35 gallon can clearly labeled 'YARD WASTE'
- Placed in 30-35 gallon paper or plastic yard waste bags
- Brush and branches are to be cut and bundled in 4' lengths and weigh less than 75lbs.
- If both garbage and yard waste is to be picked up, separate the two waste streams to make identification easier for the collectors. Ex: yard waste on one side of the driveway and garbage on the other
- Limit of 10 cans or bags per household. Although this policy is usually not enforced, Rumpke reserves the right to enforce this policy.

Yard Waste includes the following:

- Grass, weeds, and other lawn herbaceous material
- Shrubbery and plant clippings
- Twigs, sticks, small branches bundled in 4' lengths and weighing less than 75lbs
- Leaves

Yard Waste DOES NOT include the following:

- Lumber
- Logs, stumps or firewood
- Tree branches uncut or exceeding 4' lengths and weighing more than 75lbs
- Large amounts of dirt or gravel

Rumpke offers a 95 gallon toter for \$3.50 per month that is billed to the resident. Contact Rumpke for more information. 502.568.3800.

RECYCLING: Rumpke picks up recycling every two weeks. The recycling calendar is on the Barbourmeade website and contains lists of items that are acceptable and not acceptable for pick-up.

Thank you,

Jennifer Hunt

Beautification News

Many residents have taken advantage of the replacement mailbox deal through Brownsboro Hardware. The discount offer is good through the end of the year so it is not too late to update your mailbox and/or post.

The new lights at the entrances have saved us some tax dollars in both electricity and bulb replacement costs and have come close to paying for themselves already!

We have had some vandals damaging some of the lights, especially the ones at the Barbour Lane entrance. The police are watching the entrances and we would appreciate notification of any acts of vandalism that you see. Replacement fixtures, lamps, and labor come out of your tax dollars. Please also report any indications of damaged or leaking irrigation systems.

We have had many shrubs damaged by cars on Highway 22 and accident reports have not been made; therefore we eat the cost of replacements. The vacant shrub spots will be filled in during optimal planting time in the fall. If you see or know of a traffic accident that damages city property, please notify me as soon as possible so we can attempt to have the damage covered by insurance. If you report an accident PLEASE also notify the Graymoor-Devondale police at 327-COPS (2677).

Thank you – Tom Budniak



City of Barbourmeade Commission

Members:

Mayor:

- Bryan Coomer – Mayor, 276-3849, mayor@barbourmeade.org

City Commissioners:

- Tom Budniak – Beautification, 425-0750, beautification@barbourmeade.org
- Brian Davis – Roads & Maintenance and Animal Control, 424-7181, roadmaintenance@barbourmeade.org
- Jennifer Hunt – Sanitation, 290-7736, sanitation@barbourmeade.org
- Dan A. Streit – Insurance & Safety, 426-4323, safety_insurance@barbourmeade.org

City Officials:

- City Clerk – Kellye Green, 339-1802, cityclerk@barbourmeade.org
- City Treasurer – Chris Russell, 897-9495, citytreasurer@barbourmeade.org
- City Attorney – L. Stanley Chauvin III, 584-6394, cityattorney@barbourmeade.org
- City Engineer – Robert Trautwein, 425-2742, cityengineer@barbourmeade.org

City Website: www.barbourmeade.org

Special Note: Please be advised that some Commission Members' personal e-mail addresses have changed. Please contact all Commission Members using the above city e-mail addresses.