



The Barbourmeade News



JUNE 2011

Mayor's Notes

I am pleased to report to the residents of the City of Barbourmeade that the current annual budget for our City has been prepared and that there has been no increase in your Barbourmeade taxes for the upcoming fiscal year. All of the members of the City Commission have been prudent relative to the spending of your City money while still insuring that all City services are provided to our residents in a proper manner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department for the excellent service they are providing to the City. I am sure that you have noticed a dramatic increase in the number of patrols that take place throughout our City during any given week. A "police presence" in our City is a real plus. Thank you Chief Throneberry.

-by Bryan Coomer

Beautification News

Summer flowers have replaced the pansies at all of the entrances. Some dead and dying shrubs and trees were replaced and all landscaped areas have new mulch. The Sprinkler systems have been cleaned, repaired, and made functional.

Several residents took advantage of the tree program offered by Greenscapes. We hope all are satisfied and will try to offer the program again in the Fall if demand is there.

Please trim bushes and shrubs around light posts or city signs in your yard. Do not use weed eaters, however, as these damage the paint. We have noticed City signs that are not visible and limitations to street light coverage due to tree branches.

If you notice any lights out on City entrance signs please call me or send an e-mail. For street lights, please call LG&E at 589-1444.

-by Tom Budniak

Property Taxes

Property tax bills will be mailed on 8/15/11. There will be a substantial discount if paid by 9/30/11. The full amount is due by 10/30/11. If you have recently paid off your mortgage or no longer have your taxes paid through, your escrow account, please contact the City Treasurer, Andy Alvey, at 894-8432 to have the bill sent to you. -by Andy Alvey

**POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR OUR CITY – GRAYMOOR-DEVONDALE
CONTACT NO: (502)574-5471 (through Louisville Metro Sheriff's Dept.)**

Safety News

Our contract police department is now **Graymoor-Devondale**. To see or talk to a police officer or to file a report, PLEASE phone the Louisville Metro Sheriff's Dept. at 574-5471. They will contact the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department who are on duty 24 hours a day - 7 days a week.

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

Safety Suggestions:

- Do not open your door to strangers
- Keep your valuables out of sight
- Close and lock all doors at night and when your are away
- 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 574-5471.

Important Numbers:

- Emergency (Police, Fire and EMS): 911
- Louisville Metro Sheriff's Dept. :
(to contact our police dept.) 574-5471
- 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

Thank You - Dan Streit 426-4323

Sanitation News

Rumpke Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. **Pick-up is only effected when the actual holiday falls on a Monday. In that event, our pick-up day would be the very next day on Tuesday.**

Rumpke's policies on setting out your yard waste:

- Place yard waste loosely in 30-35 gallon cans or PAPER or PLASTIC bags clearly labeled "yard waste" (**stickers are available**)
- Brush and branches should be tied in 4ft. lengths weighing no more that 75lbs. For your convenience, a 95 gallon waste wheeler for YARD WASTE ONLY can be leased by homeowners for \$2.50/month. Call Rumpke for details.

DO NOT put cans, yard waste, junk items or other waste out prior to Sunday late afternoon and bring cans in by Monday evening. In the event of a storm causing a lot of yard waste, Rumpke may choose to only pick up 10 bags or less from each home.

**Call Rumpke at 568-3800 in the event your garbage, yard waste or recycling does not get picked-up.
-by Lisa Crockett

*****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. This fiscal year we have received \$75,000. Also PLEASE have your insurance mailing address as BARBOURMEADE, KY - using your nine-digit zip code. -by Dan Streit

CITY ORDINANCES

The City of Barbourmeade has several Ordinances, enforced by the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department, enacted for the safety, aesthetics, and general well being of its residents. The following are highlights of some of the topics addressed:

- Damage or destruction of city property including signs, lights, posts, landscaping, islands, and entrances.
- Public nuisances including noise, odors, smoke, and litter.
- Animal control including barking, trespassing, chasing, or attacking.
- Animal control leash law, quantity limits, prohibition of poultry, livestock, and bees, and clean up requirements.
- Traffic and vehicle control including speed limits, damage to streets, spillage, parking limitations, restrictions on recreational vehicles, trailers, boats, tractor trailers, motor homes, and heavy trucks, and motorized skateboards.
- Restrictions on solicitation.
- Maintenance of premises including maintenance for safety and sanitation, grass cutting, tree and shrub maintenance, stump removal, trash removal, inoperable vehicles, mail and paper box maintenance, and clearance of public roadways.
- City approval requirements for building construction, alterations, modifications, or additions.

A complete listing of the Ordinances are posted on the City Website: www.barbourmeade.org including details of penalties for non-compliance.

Animal Control

Please do not make any plans to add livestock of any kind on your property. A first reading of the amendment to City of Barbourmeade Ordinance # 10 was passed in May 2011. The amendment to this ordinance prohibits "poultry, livestock and bees" within the City of Barbourmeade.

This amendment was passed to address several complaints and concerns regarding hens/chickens being raised within the City. Many adjacent cities surrounding Barbourmeade have similar ordinances.

-by Todd Holsclaw

Roads & Maintenance

Throughout the month of June, Eagle Signs will be repairing, straightening, and replacing signage as needed within our City. Many of the signs and poles within the City have been in need of maintenance. In the future, if you notice any road signs, stop signs, poles in need of repair, please contact me.

Also, we have an ongoing problem with signage (yard sales, lost dog/cat, etc) being taped to our City poles. Please do not tape any sign to any poles within the City limits. The tape leaves residue on our poles and costs our City money to repair.

City of Barbourmeade Ordinance #7, section 2 states " no sign of any type, including yard, political and/or lost animal signs shall be affixed to and/or placed on any property owned, operated, maintained and/or controlled by the City of Barbourmeade, including traffic signs, street signs, light posts, traffic islands, City entrances or any easement or right-of-way maintained and controlled by the City of Barbourmeade". The violation of this Ordinance carries a fine of \$75.00. Please work with your neighbors to put these signs in yards and remove in a timely manor. Thanks.

-by Todd Holsclaw

City of Barbourmeade Commission

Members:

Mayor:

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

City Commissioners:

- Tom Budniak – Beautification, 425-0750, beautification@barbourmeade.org
- Todd Holsclaw – Roads & Maintenance and Animal Control, 412-8268, roadmaintenance@barbourmeade.org
- Lisa Crockett – Sanitation, 426-9811, 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 – Andrew Alvey, 894-8432, 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.