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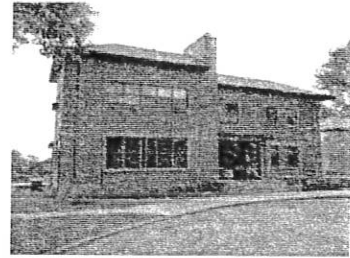
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Dear Cold Spring Residents and Business Partners:

I hope this letter finds all well with you and your family. The "dog days" of summer have arrived a bit early, but we also have had some wonderful days of relief!

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

After serving the city for over 17 years via planning and zoning, city council and three terms as mayor, for a variety of reasons I have chosen to NOT seek re-election this November. The reasons not to run made the decision very clear; however, not seeking re-election was a very difficult decision to make. I wish the best for all who step forward to govern our wonderful city. There are numerous individuals I want to thank for their help, support and friendship over the years and I will do so privately.

I do want to publically thank my wife Mary Kaye for her UNENDING support, encouragement and understanding. I also want to thank my sons Anthony and Joseph. All three know all too well that being Mayor was never a part-time job for me.

On to city business.

As always this time of year, using the City's Strategic Plan as a guidepost, the City's **BUDGET** was approved in May, 2014. The 2014/2015 year budget of \$3,312,000 reflects the city's proposed plan for generating and allocating funds for specific programs, activities and objectives during the coming year. Consistent with prior years' budgets, our core three areas of revenues (property, payroll and insurance taxes) account for 75% of our budget. Budgeted allocation to the police department continues at approximately 47% of total expenditures. The City continues to invest in long-term infrastructure repairs and replacements at no additional cost to residents. The 2014/2015 budget continues the City's strategic road program with a \$2,000,000 repair /replacement program scheduled to occur during the budget year. Since the establishment of the city's strategic plan in 2004, the city has invested over \$6,200,000 in repair and replacement of approximately 50% of the city's streets (47 out of 104 streets). This significant return of taxpayer dollars not only maintains the beauty of our city, it also significantly adds to property values and overall quality of the city.

Your City officials work very hard to be accountable custodians of your hard earned tax dollars and strive to be open and transparent with all city expenditures. As a reminder, you can review the City's monthly financial activity, as well the 2014/2015 budget, by visiting [www.coldspringky.gov](http://www.coldspringky.gov).

As you know, the city has assumed full responsibility for all compliance with EPA **STORMWATER** regulations. Later in this newsletter is an update on this important city responsibility. PLEASE NOTE that although Sanitation District #1 has increased its Stormwater rates by 5%, the city of Cold Spring will be maintaining its storm water fee at last year's rate level (SD1's PRE-increase level)

The city's annual **ART SHOW** will occur again this year; however the show will be held in late summer / early fall when school restarts. Details will be forthcoming on our website as well as event signs as we get closer to the actual event

The **NORTHERN KENTUCKY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** will once again be performing for city residents on Saturday, August 9 at 7:00pm in our beautiful natural amphitheater behind the city municipal building. I would like to thank our Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission for all their hard work especially during the summer months.

The Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission's Movie in the Park series has been a lot of fun. It was great to see all the children, friends and parents join in the fun watching *Frozen* and *The Lego Movie*. Another Movie in the Park, *Planes*, is scheduled for Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at dusk. A City yard / trunk sale at the Carole Huber Municipal Ballfield will be held on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Our annual family "Day in the Park" will be held on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Teresa or Rita in the City office for additional details.

**NOTE:** A couple of summer requests:

**SPEEDING** – Please STOP speeding. 80% of the speeding that occurs in our city is by OUR residents. YOU can make a difference.

**STOP SIGN** running is RAMPANT. Near misses are numerous. It is SO very dangerous.

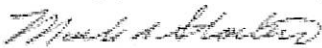
Please care enough about your neighbors, our children and your community to SLOW DOWN.

I am always very proud of all City departments. The City's staff takes great pride in their jobs and is always ready to answer your questions, listen to your concerns and help however possible.

Your Council members continue to work very hard and show terrific vision, enthusiasm and dedication for the City. It is a pleasure and privilege to work with each of them.

Please remember that Council meets the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:30pm. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any issues or suggestions. I can be reached at 859-441-9604, Extension 126, or [mayor@coldspringky.com](mailto:mayor@coldspringky.com). I look forward to hearing from you and hopefully meeting you at a Council meeting someday soon!

Wishing you a wonderful, fun and very safe summer,



Mark Stoeber

Mayor

## PARKS RECREATION AND TREE



**The Kentucky Symphony Orchestra** will be coming to our Municipal Park in the field behind our city building on Saturday, August 9th, beginning at 7:00pm. This is the 2nd year for this event, and this year the KSO Boogie Band will present *Oye Como Va!*, 50 years of Latin pop hits and crossover classics. This event is free of charge. Bring your own chairs, blankets, and coolers and enjoy the show!

**A Trunk Sale** will be held at our Carole Huber Municipal Ballfield on Saturday, September 6th from 9:00am to Noon. Cold Spring residents can sell their goods, either from the trunk of their vehicle or on tables or blankets beside your vehicle. Please call the city office at 441-9604 to reserve your space because there is limited availability.

**Movie in the Park** - The third in this summer series will be held on Saturday, September 20th at our Municipal Park. The featured movie will be *Planes*. The movie begins at dusk.

**Day in the Park** is a very popular and a very fun family event and it will be held on Sunday, October 5th at the Municipal Park. The event is held from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm. There will be free games, prizes, inflatables, pony rides, face painting, a petting zoo, a magician, food, and more. There is no charge for the event.



## STORMWATER QUALITY PROGRAM

### UPDATE (July 2014)

As all residents know, the City of Cold Spring is now responsible for water quality compliance and the Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (KPDES) permit and regulations enforced by the Commonwealth of Kentucky Division of Water (KDOW). With this responsibility, the City will provide regular updates on all of the stormwater permit compliance and activities being performed by the City. One of the key requirements of the water quality compliance program is to inform and educate the citizens about water quality and what things the citizens can do to be part of improving the quality of water within the City. Informing the citizens with our newsletter actually helps the City comply with the one of the water quality regulations and is part of meeting and addressing the six minimum control measures which are part of our stormwater quality plan. The six minimum control measures were summarized in the city's March newsletter stormwater update. If you would like a copy of the March 2014 stormwater update, please do not hesitate to contact the city office at 859-441-9604.

### STORMWATER QUALITY COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY UPDATE

Some of the stormwater quality (permit compliance) activities the City has completed since the beginning of the year include:

- ◇ Added a Stormwater Hotline and posted the number on the City website
- ◇ Updated the City website and added a stormwater page where we will post many of the documents and accomplishments for the stormwater program
- ◇ The City joined the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission (NKAPC) to take advantage of the Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping capabilities which is compliance required
- ◇ Created a stormwater credits program for businesses that may possibly reduce their stormwater charges by applying Best Management Practices (BMP) through a one-time application and an annual one page summary assuring the City the BMP is still working and valid
- ◇ Updated and revised the subdivision regulations
- ◇ Developed and approved the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) ordinance that is required for compliance

Some of the stormwater quality (permit compliance) activities the City will be working on during 2014 include:

- ◇ Newsletter articles and water quality improvement tips for the citizens to help the City with water quality compliance

- ◇ Creating a Stormwater Advisory Committee (SWAC) of key stakeholders comprised of a cross section of Cold Spring citizens and business representatives to help the City with the water quality program
- ◇ Developing a Construction and Post Construction water quality ordinance to manage erosion and sedimentation in new developments and redevelopments
- ◇ Training city staff on how to address and comply with these regulations regarding City facilities as well as how to perform field inspections and how to apply the water quality regulations to new development
- ◇ Developing and submitting the water quality compliance annual report for calendar year 2014 due April 15, 2015.

#### **ADDITIONAL STORMWATER ACTIVITY UPDATE**

- ◇ The City of Cold Spring is documenting the process as to how the city responds to Customer Service Requests. More information will be available in upcoming newsletters.
- ◇ The City Clerk has received 11 customer service inquiries regarding the stormwater system since the beginning of the year
- ◇ The stormwater Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is currently reviewing and discussing all 11 inquiries
- ◇ City representatives have contacted and or visited the site of each of the 11 citizens who requested service

We intend to offer simple suggestions and stormwater quality tips to help the City comply with these regulations

#### **STORMWATER QUALITY PROGRAM TIPS**

1. The City has established a stormwater hotline (859) 441-6863 so you can call if you see any water pollution in the stormwater system in your neighborhood.
2. Do not dump your used motor oil, used gasoline, grease and other hazardous materials in the storm drains, catch basins and inlets. These facilities are designed only for the conveyance of stormwater. These hazardous liquids drain directly into the creeks, streams and rivers and are not treated by any wastewater treatment process.







## POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

By Colonel Edward Burk III



First, I have a few words to the kids of summer. You have worked hard in school for most of the year and need the summer off to relax. Have a great time away from the books. While playing I am asking that you pay extra attention to the cars and trucks that go up and down your street. Unfortunately some of the people driving those cars may not be paying as close of attention to their driving as they should, so you have to be extra careful. Be extra careful and do the safe things that your parents have told you, try to cross at the intersections, look both ways when crossing the street or going to get a ball that went out into the street. Pay extra attention if you ride your bike or skateboard into the street. Your parents and the police don't want to see you hurt. Thanks for your help.

Now a friendly reminder to all the drivers. It is summer and the children are out of school enjoying their respective vacations away from the books. If only we all could have those summer months off to play and vacation. Drivers can never vacation or play while driving. We as drivers need to pay extra attention while driving on the city streets. Stop signs, speed limits and crosswalks need the extra attention. The children are riding their bikes and skateboards, running and sometimes playing in the streets. They sometimes do not see the danger a vehicle presents. A moment of inattention while on a cell phone, changing a CD or radio station, glancing over to admire a neighbor's yard, etc. could have disastrous affects. The city has plenty of children but none to spare.

The Cold Spring Police Department has a Facebook page. Connect to us to keep up to date on events and what is going on in the city. Currently we have 871 "likes" and we could always use more!

Regarding recent events that were posted on Facebook, in the past few weeks there were some burglaries that occurred in Alexandria that may have been preventable. The thief/thieves gained access to a car parked in the driveway that was left open. After getting into the vehicle, they activated the garage door button and opened the garage door and gained access to the house. They then stole items from the house and left.

**This is a reminder again to lock your home and vehicles.** Don't make it easy to be a victim. Also remove anything of value from observation in the car. Put your valuables in the trunk, which may be cell phones, computers, tablets, GPS units, etc. or take them inside the house. This would include the brackets that may hold the device on the windshield. In general thieves will go to easy targets, those that have left vehicles unsecured and with items that can be seen from the outside. If we could get everyone to secure their cars we could eliminate about 95% of the thefts in the city.



Finally if you see something that is suspicious call dispatch to have an officer check it out. That number is 292-3622 or 911. We would rather check something out before we may have a victim of a crime.



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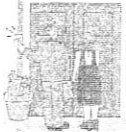
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#### CITY CLERKS NOTES:

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**House to House Solicitors:** Anyone going house to house soliciting business, services or donations is required to apply for a House to House Solicitors Permit, which they should carry with them at all times. If they come to your door and do not have a permit, please contact us immediately.



**No Knock Ordinance:** If you do not wish to have House to House Solicitors knocking at your door, just stop by or phone the city clerk's office at 441-9604 and ask to be placed on the

No Knock list. This list is given to each house to house solicitor at the time they apply for their permits. It contains addresses only of residents who have signed up to be on the list. Any solicitors who ignore this No Knock list can be fined by the Police Department. We will also give you a No Knock sticker to place on your door.

**Miscellaneous permits:** You are required to obtain permits if you are having a yard sale, or need a temporary sign, or need to have a temporary storage unit or dumpster placed on your property. Call the city clerk's office at 441-9604 for more information

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT:

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Code enforcement is a process that works to eliminate blight, improve and preserve the appearance of the City's residential & business areas as well as maintain property values, and create a community where those who live, work, or visit can experience a sense of pride.

- ◇ Any recreational vehicle such as a boat, motor home, camper, trailer and the like must be parked to the rear of your house, on an asphalt or concrete surface.



- ◇ Temporary signs are only allowed on the property of the event, with only one temporary sign permitted at a time. You must apply for a temporary sign permit at the city clerk's office.
- ◇ Grass should be mowed, weeds should be pulled, and brush and dead trees should be cut or trimmed back.
- ◇ Any miscellaneous debris should be removed from your property.

