



COLD SPRING NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor D. Angelo Penque

As winter fades and March transitions into April, we are all excited to see the snow disappear and the landscape come alive with fresh greenery. With the warmer weather, please be mindful of more people enjoying the outdoors—especially children playing outside.

We want to extend a big thank you to everyone who participated in the city-sponsored events over the winter months! From the craft show to Pancakes & PJ's with Santa and the Senior Luncheon, these gatherings were a wonderful way to bring the community together.

The city has a fantastic lineup of activities planned as we move into the warmer months, so be sure to check the city website and follow us on Facebook for upcoming events. We look forward to seeing you there!

Spring brings exciting changes to Municipal Park, including the installation of new playground equipment in March and April. Additionally, the city building driveway will receive upgraded lighting, and all backstops at the city's ballfields will be replaced—great news for our baseball and softball players! Pickleball enthusiasts also have something to look forward to, as a new windscreen will be installed to enhance their playing experience.

We are thrilled to welcome new businesses to our community:

- Wawa Gas will be building at Cold Spring Pointe.
- Hobby Lobby and Chase Bank are also expected to join Cold Spring Pointe.
- First Watch is planning to open on the former DAV site.
- Kroger Marketplace is planning a new location to replace the current Kroger on Martha Layne Collins, which would include gas pumps and a drive-up pharmacy
- The city is working on selling 18 acres of the former DAV site to Neyer Development in an effort to attract new tenants

As our area continues to grow, we remain committed to finding solutions to improve traffic flow throughout the city. To help ease congestion, we've engaged a professional service to provide expert recommendations. Stay tuned for updates on our US 27 Corridor project by visiting our website for the latest details.

We're pleased to share that the city has once again passed its annual financial audit with flying colors, reaffirming our strong financial health. A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated department heads for their diligent management of budgets and expenses—your hard work is truly appreciated!

This spring brings bittersweet news from the city administration. Our long-time City Administrator, Steve Taylor, will be retiring at the end of March. I want to personally thank Steve for his dedication and over a decade of service to Cold Spring. His hard work and leadership have guided our city through many changes, and his contributions will be deeply appreciated for years to come. It is a well-earned retirement, and we wish him nothing but the best in this next chapter!

Enjoy the warmer days ahead! My door is always open, and I welcome the opportunity to connect with you at the office or at our events.

COLD SPRING POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Steve Collinsworth

As we welcome the spring season in Cold Spring, the Police Department remains dedicated to keeping our community safe, informed, and connected. This past winter presented its challenges, but we are ready for the warmer months ahead. I want to thank all our residents for their continued support and cooperation as we work to maintain the peace and security of our town. Together, we create a strong community where safety and respect come first.

If you have an emergency, such as a fire, medical issue, or a crime in progress, please call 911 immediately. This is the fastest and most reliable way to get help from the police, fire department, or ambulance.

If you have a non-urgent request, such as a minor traffic collision, noise complaint, or request for information, please call 859-292-3622. This is the number to the Campbell County Dispatch Center which serves the City of Cold Spring. They will assist you with your situation and dispatch the appropriate agency to handle this request.

Spring Safety Tips:

- **Home Security:** With increased outdoor activities, ensure your home and vehicle are secure. Consider using outdoor lighting and securing doors and windows. Don't leave valuables in plain sight.
- **Pedestrian Awareness:** Spring means more pedestrians on the streets, especially around parks and schools. Drivers, please slow down and watch for individuals walking along roads and crossing at intersections. This would include cyclists as well.
- **Report Suspicious Activity:** If you notice suspicious activity anywhere in our city please report this to the non-emergency number, 859-292-3622. It never hurts to investigate something that just doesn't look quite right.

To report a non-emergency incident, you can visit our website
<https://coldspringky.gov/police/>

PUBLIC WORKS

Director, Ron Hitch

As the seasons change, I believe most of our residents are excited to welcome the arrival of spring! The days are growing noticeably longer, and we've been teased by a few warm days—signs that winter is finally behind us.

Looking back, we've just come through one of the most intense winters in recent years. They say one extreme follows another, and after last summer and fall's drought, Mother Nature certainly made up for it this winter. Our Public Works team worked tirelessly, logging countless hours to treat streets, maintain equipment, and stay ahead of each storm—ensuring safe travel throughout Cold Spring.

Looking ahead, there's plenty of work to be done. This spring, Public Works will be completing a pollinator patch at Orchard Park and installing new parking lot lamps at the city building as weather permits. Additionally, they will continue replacing sections of sidewalks and streets, as well as addressing stormwater infrastructure needs throughout the year.

Our city parks will also be bustling with activity as we prepare for warmer days. Crews will be tending to the grass, planting vibrant spring flowers, spreading fresh mulch, and revitalizing landscape beds.

No matter the season, the team at Public Works goes above and beyond. They handle as much work as possible in-house to save taxpayer dollars and put in whatever hours are needed to keep our streets safe. If you see them out and about, be sure to give them a wave.

To report issues you can visit our website
https://coldspringky.gov/public-works/#works_issue

CITY CLERK

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In an effort to keep you up to date on the latest news and city events in between newsletters, please subscribe to our email blast by calling or emailing me (robin.m@coldspringky.gov) to provide your email address.

Join us for our monthly council meetings, held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 PM at the city building. The planning and zoning meetings take place on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM. If you can't attend in person, meeting packets, minutes, and videos are always available on our website. Stay engaged and have your voice heard!

If you notice potholes, traffic light malfunctions, or other issues on state-maintained roads (US 27, AA Highway, KY 1998), we encourage you to report them directly to the KY Transportation Cabinet District 6 (KYTC6). You can do this by calling 859-341-2700 or by visiting their website: <https://transportation.ky.gov/DistrictSix/Pages/default.aspx>

If you need to speak with city staff, the mayor, or any council members, all contact information is available on our official website. We encourage you to reach out for any inquiries, concerns, or feedback.

Please keep in mind that the city building will be closed on the following days:

- April 18
- May 26
- July 4
- September 1

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officers: Chuck Taylor & Joe Humbert

As the weather warms up, it's time for spring cleaning – inside and out! Our Code Enforcement team reminds residents to keep properties in good condition by:

- Keeping lawns mowed
- Removing yard waste, debris, and clutter
- Properly storing trash and recycling bins
- Ensuring fences and structures are in good repair
- Avoid parking unregistered or inoperable vehicles on the street or in yards

A clean neighborhood benefits everyone and helps maintain property values.

Please be a responsible pet owner by **keeping your pets leashed and cleaning up after them**. We've received numerous concerns about dogs relieving themselves in neighbors' yards. Let's all work together to keep our community clean!

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS:

- Please ensure that your property remains clean and well-maintained, and that dumpsters are properly enclosed. This helps maintain a neat and professional appearance for the area and prevents issues with litter. Thank you for your cooperation!
- To display temporary signs at your business, you must obtain a temporary sign permit from the City Clerk's office. Businesses are allowed up to four permits per year, with each permit valid for two weeks.

To report code enforcement concerns, please visit:
<https://app.govwell.com/cold-spring>

STORMWATER

Rethinking Stormwater: Embracing Green Infrastructure

Stormwater management is evolving, and the future is greener than ever. Instead of treating rainwater as a nuisance, innovative approaches now mimic nature—capturing, filtering, and reusing rain where it falls. Known as green infrastructure, these sustainable practices turn runoff into a valuable resource, not a waste product. By harnessing the power of plants, soils, and natural processes, green infrastructure promotes infiltration, evaporation, and filtration to improve water quality and reduce flooding.

Examples of Green Infrastructure:

- Rain Gardens – Beautiful, functional gardens designed to collect and filter stormwater while enhancing infiltration.
- Green Roofs – Vegetated rooftops that absorb rainwater, reducing runoff while providing insulation and aesthetic appeal.
- Stormwater Swales – Shallow, planted ditches that slow and filter runoff, improving drainage.
- Rain Barrels & Cisterns – Simple solutions for capturing and reusing rainwater for irrigation.
- Constructed Wetlands – Engineered wetland areas that mimic nature to slow, soak, and filter stormwater.
- Permeable Pavements – Special pavement materials that allow rainwater to pass through, reducing runoff and replenishing groundwater.

With spring showers on the way, now is the perfect time to explore or implement green infrastructure solutions for managing stormwater responsibly.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Event Coordinator, Stacy Klosterman

The city has an exciting lineup of events scheduled at the community center, and we'd love for you to join us! From craft shows and concerts to Yoga in the Park, we're celebrating the arrival of warmer weather and sunny skies.

The community center is available for rent, whether you're planning a small gathering or a large event. We're fully equipped to accommodate your needs, and residents receive a 20% discount off the hourly rental rate! To reserve your space, simply complete a rental agreement and submit a \$150 deposit. The rental fee and proof of insurance are due within 10 days of your event. Photos of the party room and meeting room can be found on the website..

The gym is open to the public during the week, Monday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, unless there's a scheduled event or closure. We offer Silver Sneakers classes and open gym play, along with evening hours every Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Additionally, volleyball is available on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Please note, pickleball open gym has ended, but we encourage everyone to enjoy our new outdoor courts!

The indoor track is open Monday from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, and Tuesday through Sunday from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, unless otherwise posted. 18 laps around the track equal one mile.

For the most up-to-date schedules and information about closures, please visit our website, Facebook page or check the community center's message board.

EVENTS

2025

4/19

Eggstravaganza

10:00 AM

4/25

Arbor Day

3:30 PM - 6:00 PM

4/26

Fishing Derby

Registrations will be required
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

5/10

Craft Show

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

6/5

Summer Concert Series

Borderline 360
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

6/26

Summer Concert Series

The Vinyl Countdown
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

7/12

Cold Spring Band Festival

*Shag Dashboard, Every Day People,
& Not Johnny*
4:00 PM - 9:30 PM

7/31

Summer Concert Series

Denim Deluxe
4:00 PM - 9:30 PM

8/10

Concert

Florence Community Band
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

8/23

Cruise In & Concert

Naked Karate Girls
4:00 PM - 9:30 PM

9/13

Pups in the Park

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

10/4

Movie in the Park

Dusk

10/18

Boo Bash

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

11/8

Craft Show

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

11/11

Veterans Day

10:00 AM

12/13

Pancakes & PJ's with Santa

Registrations will be required
10:00 AM

*Rain may cancel or change location of event

Any changes or additions to the schedule of events will be posted on our Facebook page, website, and sent via email blast.



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YOGA IN THE PARK

with Studio 43 Sweat + Soul

10:00 AM
@ the Amphitheater

June 2	July 14
June 9	July 21
June 16	July 28
June 23	August 4
June 30	August 11
July 7	

Bring water, a towel and a mat.
In the event of bad weather, class will be
moved to the community center.

YARD OF THE MONTH

The City of Cold Spring is dedicated to improving the quality of living and appearance of our community. We encourage residents to take pride in their homes and neighborhood. In turn, we look to celebrate those who do a superior job in maintaining their yards in such a way that they enhance the overall curb appeal of the entire community.

One yard will be selected each month, May
through August.