



City of Glenview, Kentucky

THE GLENVIEW NEWSLETTER **Spring/Summer 2019**

PROPOSED MERGER OF HARRODS CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Residents, your Commission was very disturbed to learn in mid-April that the Board of the Harrods Creek Fire Protection District (“HCFPD”) voted, without what we consider to be adequate prior public notice and input, to merge with Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS, Eastwood Fire Protection District and Worthington Fire Protection District. Your Commission has submitted letters objecting to this merger for several reasons. **First**, it is the Commission’s understanding that HCFPD has been debt free, and it is a violation of KRS (Kentucky Revised Statutes) 75.020 for a fire protection district which is to be merged with another fire protection district, to absorb the other’s debts (Worthington has a \$4.5 million debt for their new firehouse). **Second**, our taxes will increase. The merger would allow tax rates to be raised to at least \$0.145 per \$100 of property value. **Third**, several years ago, HCFPD moved our equipment from the firehouse at Lime Kiln and River Road to St. Matthews. With this merger, it will be moved even farther away to the Worthington firehouse at Goose Creek Road and Hwy 22, which could lengthen the response time for Glenview residents. **Fourth**, our representation on the new Board will be severely diluted. **Fifth**, we feel that HCFPD, the Board of Trustees of each of the fire protection districts, and the merger steering committee established by the Board of Trustees to advise the Board of Trustees regarding the merger, have been less than transparent in maneuvering towards this merger without consideration of Glenview residents, and have potentially violated the Opens Meetings Act. **Sixth**, we believe that HCFPD has failed to show how this merger will enhance services for our City. We will keep you updated on our objection efforts.

Commissioner, Nanette Tafel

TAX AND BUDGET ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1 establishes a tax rate of \$0.114 per \$100 of property assessed for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. The Ordinance also sets the discount at 25% for tax bills paid on or before September 30, 2019.

Ordinance No. 2 establishes the Annual Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. This year’s Budget appropriations total \$505,000 which is \$7,000 increase over the prior year budget. We continue to strive for efficiency in expenditures while maintaining excellence in service.

Tim Stephens, City Accountant

GLENVIEW UPDATE
By: Clerk Administrator Kacy DeVore

SIGN REGULATION

Ordinance No. 3, Series 2004 is an ordinance regulating signs in the City of Glenview. Please keep in mind that no commercial advertisement is allowed on any lot, except when a lot (or house) is for sale and 1 sign not more than 5 square feet in size may be placed on the lot for sale only. A Political sign shall not be larger than 5 square feet in size and shall be located only on the lot owned. The height of any sign shall not exceed 3 ½ feet above the original ground level. In addition, signs are not permitted on public property, streets, rights-of-way, public utility poles, lamp posts, hydrants, trees or public easements. Please visit the City's webpage at www.glenviewky.gov for a complete listing of all the City's ordinances. If you observe a violation of the City's ordinance, please contact Kacy DeVore, Clerk Administrator at (502) 292-1997 or at clerkadmin@glenviewky.gov

TREES

If a tree has fallen across the road first contact Harrod's Creek Fire Department (911 or 228-1351) to report the fall down. Second, call Clerk Administrator Kacy DeVore at 292-1997, and she will follow up with Harrod's Creek Fire Department and/or contact a tree removal service to clear the road. It is the City's responsibility to have public, not private roads cleared; it is not the City's responsibility to remove the debris. Please let the fire department know of any down trees as soon as possible in case there is an emergency.

The City does not have an ordinance on how people are to keep their yard. The City has had calls in the past about trees falling down and about how long people take to cut, clean up and pick up the fallen debris. The City has never taken a position on this because we don't want to boss people on how or when to take care of their yard. Please take the good neighbor approach. All the City's ordinances are posted on the City's webpage, www.glenviewky.gov.

SAVE OUR TREES

One of the many nice things about Glenview is our greenery. Many of our trees are in jeopardy due to an overgrowth of vines climbing up their trunks and smothering the leaves. This will ultimately kill the trees. Please check out the trees on your property and cut the vines at the base of their trunks. The vines will turn brown and soon fall off. Act now before it's too late.

RESIDENTS - please have a conversation with your lawn services, contractors, and any other service personnel to **** WATCH THEIR TRAILERS!!!!!!**** Our islands and curbs are being torn up, rutted and left a mess by trucks and trailers not making an adequate turn at entrances and on cul-de-sacs. This costs money to repair the messes and keep the City looking its best.

WEBPAGE

Please be sure and check the City of Glenview webpage for information, and the latest about things happening in the City. Please send Clerk Administrator DeVore your e-mail address if you would like to be added to the City's e-mail news group to receive the City of Glenview's latest news, my email address is clerkadmin@glenviewky.gov.