

Winter 2016

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# CITY NEWS



The City's Events & Recreation committee has planned many fun events for the year. The first will be the annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 19th with an egg hunt and Sunrock farm's traveling petting zoo. Come out and join the fun!

Don't forget to mark your calendars for all the fun the City has planned. A list of this year's events can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

During the winter months please watch out for ice on roadways, driveways and



sidewalks when temperatures drop after a snow-fall. When a snow emergency is called, please remove all vehicles from the streets. We also ask that residents please remove any portable basketball goals that are on the city right-of-way and hanging out into the street. Removal will eliminate the possibility of damage to the goals and plow trucks when clearing snow from the streets. Snow emergencies can be found on all the news channels or the sign at the city building. If you have questions about snow emergencies, you can call Public Works at 344-0797 or the City Building 341-3017.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

The City of Crescent Springs remains in a solid financial position due to the diligent budgeting process by the

employees of the City, and the oversight of expense control by City leadership (Managers, Mayor, Council) and Finance Committee.

Budgeted annual revenue of \$2.4 million flows mainly from Payroll Gross Receipts (\$960,000, 40% of revenue), Real Estate Property Taxes (\$672,000, 28%), Insurance Premium Taxes (\$320,000, 13%), and the recently enacted Utilities Franchise Fee (\$143,000, 6%).

Budgeted annual expenses of \$2.5 million are made up mostly of Police protection services (\$1 million, 41% of expenses), Payroll of City employees (\$471,000, 19%), Fire & Advanced Life Support (Ambulance) services (\$307,000, 12%), Equipment/Vehicle purchase expenses (\$119,000, 5%), and Servicing of Debt (loans for Park and City Building – \$90,000, 4%).

A team of volunteers meets monthly to analyze and review the past month's financial performance and evaluate the financial statements and condition of the City's finances. If anyone is interested in joining the Finance Committee, please contact the City Building.

Matt Zeck City Council Member Finance Chair

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Crescent Springs-Villa Hills Fire Department responded to 1206 emergency calls in 2015, an increase of 134 calls from last year. A complete year-end report can be viewed

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year-end report can be viewed on the fire department web site: www.csvfd.com.

#### FIREHOUSE FISH FRY'S

The Firehouse Fish Fry's began February 12th and will be held every Friday during lent. Hours 4pm to 8pm.



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**OFFICES CLOSED** Friday, March 25

### 2016 COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### Saturday, March 19th

Easter Egg Hunt 1pm Mark your calendar and get your baskets ready!

#### Saturday, May 21st

# Kenton County Veterans Memorial 5K ARMED FORCES RUN/WALK

Race time 8:30am. Race-day registration starts at 7am. Pre-registration <u>ONLINE ONLY</u> at www.RUNNINGTIME.NET

#### ASA "TOP GUN" Adopt-a-Unit Breakfast

Join us for breakfast at our annual fundraiser for the adopted soldiers of the 101st Airborne. Breakfast will follow the KCVM Run/Walk.

#### Friday, June 17

Golf Outing—Eagle Creek Country Club

#### Saturday, August 6

\*Event to be announced

#### Sunday, September 11

9/11 Memorial Ceremony

#### October 22

Halloween in the Park

#### December 3

Christmas in the Park

#### PARK RESERVATIONS

We are now taking reservations for Shelter #2 and Shelter #3. The rental is \$40 for residents and \$80 for non-residents. Please call the City Building to reserve your date. 859-341-3017

## **BUSINESS NEWS**

# WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES Now Open!

Nashville Hot —564 Buttermilk Pike (the former Sandwich Block location)

Coming Soon!

Joella's Chicken — 2440 High Street (the former Eli's Bar & Grill location)

#### Crescent Springs Commons

Work will soon begin on a small retail commercial development located on land along Anderson Road across from the Buttermilk Town Center. A known tenant will be *Auto Zone*, a retail automobile parts store. As part of this development the intersection of Ireland Avenue and Anderson Road will be closed. In its place the developer will build and maintain a new roadway for public use that connects Ireland Avenue through this retail shopping center intersecting opposite Clock Tower Way at the traffic light controlled intersection.

### **City Personnel Changes**

The City would like to congratulate Sue Hill on her retirement December 31st after nine years of service to our City. Congratulations Sue, and good luck!

Assistant Clerk, Susan Laws took over the position of City Clerk/Treasurer on January 4th. Susan has been with the City since 2008 and looks forward to her new position.

We would like to welcome April Robinson as the City's new Assistant Clerk. April has come to the City from the City of Cold Spring Police Department.