



CITY OF
HIGHLAND HEIGHTS

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Hazardous Waste Disposal

The Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District will conduct a hazardous materials collection event on Oct. 25th at Coney Island from 9:00am-3:00pm. Acceptable items include automotive fluids, pesticides, fertilizers, solvents, thinners, cleaners, lawn and pool chemicals. Northern Kentucky residents are required to get a voucher **before attending the event** from their County Solid Waste Coordinator, Reno Deaton. His telephone number is 441-5166.

Winter is Approaching

The next season is winter and the Almanac is predicting a nasty one. Please remember to **remove as many cars from the street as possible**, so the streets can be cleaned of snow and ice more efficiently. Remember, by the time the snowplow works around a vehicle the equivalent of three parking spaces remain untreated.

When shoveling your driveways try not to push the snow into the street. If you have a fire hydrant please do not pile snow around it when clearing your sidewalks and driveways. **It is your safety and your neighbor's safety that is at stake!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Halloween Party: Saturday Oct. 25th for the city's children. This event is for all ages (yes even mom, dad, and grandparents). The Recreation Commission sponsors this activity from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the City Building. There are chills and thrills and food for all the kids. Come and join in the fun.

Halloween Trick or Treat: Friday Oct. 31st in the city from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Make sure your children can be seen in the evening. Accompanying your child helps to guarantee their safety and can be a lot of fun. Have a happy and safe Halloween!

Veterans Day Ceremony/Senior Breakfast: Saturday Nov. 8th at 8:30am followed by the Senior Breakfast from 9:00am-12:00pm at the city building. If you do not qualify for senior status, join us for the Veterans Day Ceremony. We appreciate a crowd. Please call the City office by noon Friday to make reservations for the Breakfast.

Lunch with Santa: Saturday Dec. 20th from 11:30am-1:00pm at the City Building.

Outdoor Lighting Contest: Sunday Dec. 21st the judging will be from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Let's give the judges something to see. We have had good participation in the past. This also makes our city look really joyous for the season.

From the City Clerk/Treasurer's Office

PROPERTY TAXES DUE BY NOV. 30th, 2003. The City of Highland Heights property tax rate for 2003 is \$1.596 per \$1,000 valuation of all property, real or personal. This is down from last years rate of \$1.729 per \$1,000 valuation.

All property tax, real or personal, assessed by the City shall be due on or before Nov. 30th, 2003 and delinquent on December 1st, 2003.

Effective Dec. 1st, 2003, All delinquencies shall be subject to interest at the rate of one (1 %) percent per month or twelve (12%) percent per year. Penalties will be added at the rate of ten (10%) percent on said taxable amount.

Taxes may also be paid by mail. If you need a receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

REMINDER: The City of Highland Heights does not forward real estate tax bills to banks, mortgage companies or tax services. It is the homeowner's responsibility to forward a copy of their bill to the bank, mortgage company or tax service. It is the homeowner's responsibility to pay the taxes.

The Clerk's Office is open Monday-Friday from 9:00am until 5:00pm.

For your convenience the Clerk's Office will open on Wednesday, Nov. 26th, 2003 at 8:00am and will remain open until 6:00pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Development & Grants- A grant to upgrade the nature trail is currently being pursued.

Safety- October is "Fire Safety Month". Please remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors when you change your clocks.

The Parking lot and driveway at the City Building has been designated as "No Through Traffic". The Police Department will stop and advise drivers that are using this area as a through street of this enforcement until the end of October. After that time, they will begin to issue citations.

Finance- A balanced budget has been passed on time.

Public Relations- The committee has been fielding questions from residents on a variety of subjects. The Mayor, some Council members and resident volunteers planted the perennial garden in front of the City Building. Stop by and see the flowers before it gets cold and they are lost to winter.

Parks & Recreation- Thanks to all who attended our concerts and Summerfest 2003.

We hope you will join us next year and share in the fun.

Infrastructure- The committee is working to improve the appearance of the entrance to our City at the I-471 / US27 intersection. The current planning is to add a larger flag and flag pole comparable to the one across the street at Perkins. To continue the design theme along US27 the concrete wall will have a stone façade applied. *Welcome to Highland Heights* will then be placed on the wall.

Technology- The City now has an information page on Cable Channel 16 to let residents know who sits on the different Boards and Commissions in the city.

The committee is currently implementing a web page and e-mail access for the City.

LUNKEN AIRPORT RUNWAY

Lunken Airport is planning a new 900 ft. extension to the southwest runway. This will bring more large jet turbine and turbo-prop powered aircraft over our city. Obviously, this has the potential to create noise problems for our residents, schools, and businesses.

Council member Blocher is representing the City at some of the project planning meetings. We want the City of Cincinnati to realize that our City is well populated. We do not wish to have the quality of life within our community diminished by pilots of large aircraft, who disregard the recommended approaches and departures for Lunken Airfield. They are supposed to be a minimum of 1,000 ft above our populated areas.

Mr. Blocher has asked the citizens to document excessively noisy and / or low flights by recording the time and date of each occurrence. If you bring this documentation to the City Building it will be forwarded to the proper authorities.

For more information contact Mr. Blocher through the City office. Thank you in advance for your assistance.