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NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE JUNE 2019

PUBLIC MEETINGS – PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE IN BELLE MEADE



Your Commissioners will be hosting two meetings in June to discuss the results of the Citizen Survey conducted in May and the status of the property tax rate. These meetings will include detailed summaries of the responses to the Survey questions, prioritization of Survey results, and potential solutions. The Commissioners will

also review the financial impact of proposed property tax increases to offset the loss of the Hall Tax Revenue.

The Public Meetings will be held at City Hall as follows:

Thursday, June 6, at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, June 11, at 7:00 pm

Please plan to attend and participate in the discussions concerning the future of Belle Meade.

MEETING RESCHEDULE & PUBLIC HEARING LEGAL NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Belle Meade for June 2019 is rescheduled to **Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 4:00 pm.** (Monthly meetings are normally held the third Wednesday of each month.)

Public hearing meetings will be held during the regular Board of Commissioners meeting on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at Belle Meade City Hall, 4705 Harding Road, Nashville, for consideration of the following proposed Ordinances, with caption as follows:

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 2019-3, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE BELLE MEADE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ZONING CODE TO CLARIFY RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING SIGNS”.
SECOND AND FINAL READING

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 2019-6, “AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF BELLE MEADE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020.”
SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Public comments will be accepted at this public hearing. Parties wishing to speak on these issues shall be present at the meeting or submit comments to the Office of the City Manager, 4705 Harding Rd, Nashville TN or via email to breardon@citybellemeade.org on or before the public hearing date and time. Copies of the Ordinances are available for inspection at City Hall during normal business hours, M-F, 8am to 4pm, or online at www.citybellemeade.org

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FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT – CHIEF TIM EADS:



- **House Check Service.** We will conduct extra security patrols of your house while you are away. To sign up, visit our website at www.citybellemeade.org. Under the “How do I” tab, there is a House Check request fillable form. If you need assistance, call at 615-297-0241 and speak with the on-duty dispatcher.
- **Park Smart** by locking your vehicle and removing any valuables. The greater Nashville region continues to struggle with vehicles being stolen with keys and/or firearms in them.
- **Scams** – Never give out information unless you know you are doing business with someone legitimate. If you receive a call, postal mail or e-mail and are not sure about

the situation, call us and we will have an officer check on this for you.

- **Solicitors** – Most solicitors are required to have a permit from the City. One exception is religious organizations. Please call the PD if you are aware of solicitors selling goods or services without a City permit – 615-297-6041
- **2018 Annual Report** – We have just issued the report, which highlights activities as well as crime and traffic statistics.

<https://citybellemeade.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/2018-Annual-Report.pdf>

RECAP OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS



The Commissioners took action on the following items at the **May 15, 2019 Regular meeting:**

- Approved a one-year extension to the Creek Debris Removal Maintenance Contract with JR & Associates.
- Approved purchase of a 2019 Dodge Charger to replace vehicle that was struck head-on and totaled, in the amount of \$23,508.25. City will be reimbursed by other driver's insurance company.
- Approved purchase and installation of emergency equipment for the new 2019 Dodge Charger from On-Duty Depot for \$3,759.36. City will be reimbursed by insurance.
- Approved the following invoices over \$5,000:
 - o Gibbs Brothers Construction – \$7,510.18
 - o Gibbs Brothers Construction – \$5,709.00
 - o Gibbs Brothers Construction – \$5,392.36
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-1, Close, Vacate and Abandon the Right of Way of Pendleton Avenue

between Its Intersection with the Right of Way of Lynwood Blvd. and its Terminus in the Turner Subdivision, on first revision.



- Approved on second and final reading, Ordinance 2019-2, Amending Section 11-812 of the Belle Meade Municipal Code to Increase Court Costs for Various Moving Traffic and Other Offenses in Violation of Ordinances of the City of Belle Meade.
- Deferred Ordinance 2019-3, Amending Certain Sections of the Belle Meade Municipal Code and Zoning Code to clarify Restrictions Concerning Signs.
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-4, Amending Section 11-408 of the Belle Meade Municipal Code to Specifically Regulate Turf Fans Under the City's Anti-Noise Regulations.
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-5, Budget Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-6, Fix Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Motion was made to increase tax rate to .30 cents per \$100 of Assessed Value.

CERES SOCIETY DONATIONS – MAY 3 - May 31, 2019

Mrs. Claire Drowota
Mr. & Mrs. John Eakin
Mr. & Mrs. Buford Ortale
Mr. & Mrs. John Phillips
Mr. & Mrs. J. Lillard Templeton, Jr.

OAK SOCIETY - \$1,000 and above

Mr. & Mrs. John Howard

MAGNOLIA SOCIETY - \$500 - \$999

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Elcan
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hull
Mr. Mark Nicol Family Trust
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Taylor
Mr. & Mrs. David Wilds

TULIP SOCIETY - \$250 - \$499

Mr. & Mrs. John Abbott
Mr. & Mrs. David Amiot

Mr. & Mrs. Marty Dickens
Mr. & Mrs. Hunter Ford
Mr. John Fulcher & Mr. Anthony Tinghitella

Dr. & Mrs. James Haynes
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Mr. & Mrs. James O. Williams, Jr.

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In Memory of Lt. Commander Earl O'Dell Henry (Dental Corp) Lost at sea in the sinking of USS Indianapolis (CA-35)

ROSES

Have you ever asked yourself, “Why do I garden? Why do I toil in the sun, wrestling weeds, bugs, and fungal diseases?” It seems that I ask myself this question at the end of each growing season. Yet, I return to my beds each year with renewed vigor and hope. So, why do I garden? I think that it forces me to be present, to feel the gift of Mother Earth in the soil and in the sun’s warmth. When life seems overwhelming in its demands or the news harangues with senseless violence, there is always the garden. The garden offers simplicity, hope . . . a new beginning.

Boscobel, a David Austin rose



and a favorable climate, contribute to their success. To my surprise, many of the gardeners didn’t spray their roses for Blackspot. They seemed to tolerate some disease and to carefully tend the beds to minimize impact.

Upon returning to Nashville, I decided to plant an English style rose garden.

For the first two weeks, my roses seemed happy. Then came the rain, followed by black spot and powdery mildew on bushes of my favorite rose, Mr. Lincoln. If you haven’t encountered Mr. Lincoln, I encourage you to do so . . . its fragrance is intoxicating.

I quickly realized that our climate is quite different from that in England. Unlike the Cotswold gardeners, I needed to learn about black spot and employ a spray program to manage it. As a longstanding organic vegetable gardener, I am familiar with powdery mildew and its treatment. For this article, I will focus on black spot, which can be a serious disease of roses.

Black spot, *Diplocarpon rosae*, is spread by fungal spores. Dormant spores on infected, fallen leaves or canes are splashed onto the lower leaves of roses by rain or irrigation. If the leaves are wet for several hours, the spores are able to germinate and infect the leaves.



Figure 1

Symptoms appear as black spots or ragged brown-black patches that become encircled in yellow (Figure 1). Eventually, the entire leaf turns yellow and drops. In severe cases, the entire plant may defoliate.

How do we manage black spot and protect our beloved roses? The best option is to choose cultivars that are bred for resistance. Elina, First Prize and Mr. Lincoln are hybrid teas with resistance to black spot. New Dawn and Pinkie are climbers, and Iceberg and Angel Face are floribundas with resistance. The American Rose Society and David Austin also list roses with varying levels of resistance. It is important to note that even these roses may be susceptible under high disease pressure. In my garden, Mr. Lincoln and New Dawn have black spot. However, the Elina and First Prize appear to be free of infection.

Site management is also important for roses to perform optimally. The goal is to keep the leaves dry as the spores germinate on wet leaves. Plant roses in sunny locations with ample space to provide good air circulation. Try to avoid overhead watering. It is important to remove infected leaves and prune diseased canes. Leaf litter should be raked regularly to avoid the overwintering of spores.

Unlike our English counterparts, TN rose gardeners will likely need to use fungicides throughout the growing season to manage black spot and powdery mildew. A spray program usually includes both preventative and curative fungicides. Preventative fungicides inhibit the fungus from getting into the plant and curative fungicides attack the fungus after infection. Organic fungicides include neem, Sulfur, Organocide and potassium bicarbonate. Inorganic fungicides include Mancozeb and propiconazole.



David Austin Alnwick

Sarians are available to help aspiring gardeners.

So, back to the original question, “why do I garden?” The garden is where I find inexplicable beauty . . .



New Dawn

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS JULY & AUGUST 2019

Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, July 17th at 4:00 pm
Wednesday, August 21st at 4:00 pm

Board of Building Code Appeals

Tuesday, July 9th at 4:00 pm
Tuesday, August 13th at 4:00 pm

Municipal Planning Commission

Tuesday, July 16th at 4:00 pm
Tuesday, August 20th at 4:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals

Tuesday, July 16th at 5:00 pm
Tuesday, August 20th at 5:00 pm

Agendas are available online at
www.citybellemeade.org

NOTE: The JUNE Board of Commissioners meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, June 26 at 4pm

REMINDERS:

Trash or recycle missed? For the quickest response, report all trash/recycle misses directly to City Hall by phone, 615-297-6041, or use the "Report a Concern" feature on the website, www.citybellemeade.org. This generates an email that is sent immediately to several city staff members.



St. George's Farmers Market – each Thursday from 3:30 to 6:00 pm in the parking lot along Harding Road.

DRUG COLLECTION BOX – available 24/7 in the Police Dept. for the safe disposal of unused or expired medication.



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