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NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE DECEMBER 2021



*The Commissioners and City staff
wish everyone a joyous and
safe holiday season and
Happy New Year!*

JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS – A GREAT GIFT AND KEEPSAKE:

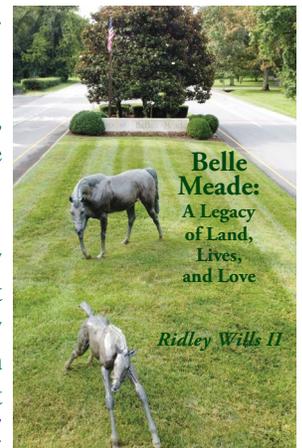
BELLE MEADE: A LEGACY OF LAND, LIVES AND LOVE, BY RIDLEY WILLS II

The book has arrived! Yes, we had anticipated a pre-Thanksgiving delivery and there was a slight delay. But we now have copies of Ridley Wills II's latest book, Belle Meade: A Legacy of Land, Lives and Love, ready for purchase. Whether you are a new or long-time resident of Belle Meade, you are going to want to add this book to your collection. This Wills' latest book offers a glimpse into the past of Belle Meade and the people who paved the way to where we are today, and you might just find out a few interesting facts along the way. And for \$34.95, well you can't beat it!

You can join Ridley here at Belle Meade City Hall for an in-person book signing.

- Wednesday, December 8, 1-3 p.m.
- Thursday, December 9, 4-6 p.m.
- Monday, December 20, 1-3 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 22, Ridley will be at Belle Meade Country Club from 5 – 7 p.m.

If you are not able to attend any of the book signing events, but want to purchase a book, please stop by City Hall during the week between 8am and 4pm. or order online at <https://citybellemeade.org/book-orders/>



FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT – CHIEF CHUCK WILLIAMS



Each year, MADD Tennessee honors and remembers victims of substance impaired driving and underage drinking and recognizes law enforcement heroes for their commitment to protecting Tennesseans from these crimes. On December 9, 2021, Sgt. Chris Roark was recognized for his efforts to combat impaired driving in Belle Meade.



Sgt. Roark is pictured with Phaedra Marriott-Olsen-State Program Director for MADD TN and a victim of impaired driving.

The Tennessee Highway Safety Office held an awards luncheon in Bell Buckle, TN on December 1, 2021, to recognize officers that have made an impact on keeping the roads safer in Tennessee. Officer David Read was recognized by THSO for his efforts in speed enforcement. Officer Read has excelled when it comes to his attentiveness to speed enforcement and commitment to making Belle Meade a safer community. Congratulations to both of these hard-working officers!



THANK YOU, BELLE MEADE RESIDENTS, FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The City of Belle Meade would like to thank the following residents for their tremendous generosity towards the Police Department. Soon after being selected in February as the next Chief of Police for Belle Meade, Chief Williams began meeting with all of the Neighborhood Watch Block Captains. Through many conversations during these visits, it became apparent that the residents wanted to show their support of the police in some way, and two families decided to organize fundraising campaigns for safety equipment. Ansel and Jana Davis wanted each officer to have a body camera and Nate and Nancy Parrish hoped to provide an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) in every police vehicle. The Police Department is so grateful to these residents and the many listed below for their support and generosity. Every officer is now equipped with a body camera and the department is well on its way to having an AED in every patrol vehicle.

BODY CAMERA DONORS (\$19,000)

Allen, Dale & Julie
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Braswell, Edward & Allison
Campbell, Victor & Tawnie
Davis, Ansel & Jana
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Leeper, Jefferson & Kim
Majors, William & Maxine
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Riven, Stephen & Jan

AED DONORS (\$10,655)

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Allen, Mary Lauren Barfield & Lawson
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Davis, Al & Carol
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Tidwell, Crom & Emily Cate
Tompkins, Kathryn & Thomas
Topping, Henry & Whitney
Trella, Pamela
Ward, Andrew & Charlotte
Welborn, Sandra
Wilker, Diana
Wood, Laura Katherine

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Please remember to Park Smart everywhere you go, even when you are home. Take a moment to be aware of your surroundings wherever you may be. Being aware of what is going on around you is one of the best ways to enhance your personal safety anywhere.

Always secure or cover packages in your vehicle and have keys in hand before you get to your vehicle. Never hesitate to request an escort to your vehicle from store security or an employee of the establishment. Always activate your alarm system when leaving your home even if you are going to be away for a short time. If you have over-night travel

plans, please take advantage of the Police Department's House Check program. If you have not signed up for this program, you can complete the enrollment form on the City's website at <https://citybellemeade.org/police-department/> or come by the police station and the dispatcher will assist you with the form.

Continue to call in any suspicious persons or activity to us at 615-297-0241. Practice home safety by regularly testing your smoke detectors, and have your chimneys cleaned and inspected annually. Inspect all electrical decorations for frayed wiring and remember to keep live Christmas trees hydrated.

Last but not least. . . .

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!!

Belle Meade Newsletter

Annual Employee Fund request



The employees of the City of Belle Meade work diligently each day to ensure our safety, maintain our streets, assure compliance with City zoning codes, and provide many

other services to make our community such a desirable place to live. Employees do not receive bonuses other than through our Employee Fund. The Fund was established so that all contributions are permissible under the law and carry no weight with any particular employee or group of employees, therefore, tax-deductible. All cash gifts are deposited into The Employee Fund; these gifts are then equally distributed among all City employees.

During the year, but most often during the holiday season, residents wish to show their gratitude to employees who so conscientiously carry out their duties. This fund is administered by the employees of the City of Belle Meade and is managed separately from other City monetary accounts. The Fund will purchase gift certificates and sponsor events during the year in which all employees participate. The Fund also purchases floral arrangements and fruit baskets when employees have a death in the family, have a new baby or are hospitalized.

The Belle Meade Commissioners encourage residents to participate in The Employee Fund. The response to our letter last year was overwhelming and the city employees are truly appreciative of the generosity and support of the residents. Gifts should be made payable to "Employee Fund" and sent to Belle Meade City Hall, Attn: Employee Fund, 4705 Harding Road, Nashville, TN 37205

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RECAP OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS

The Commissioners took action on the following items at the the **November 17, 2021**, meeting:



- Approved proposal from Barge Cauthen for engineering services for the annual Street Resurfacing project in the amount of \$16,500.00.
- Approved estimates from Stansell Electric for three Public Works projects:
 - o Belle Meade Blvd./Harding Rd. Traffic Signal modifications - \$3,858.76
 - o Jackson Blvd. No Left Turn Modifications - \$1,715.00
 - o Tyne Blvd./Belle Meade Blvd. Sight Distance Modifications - \$1,995.00
- Approved the lowest of three estimates for removal of a hackberry tree at 4301 Lillywood Road in the right of way. The low estimate for this work was from Davey Tree Expert Company for \$2,955.
- Approved conceptual Belle Meade Together Demonstration Projects submitted by the Beautification Committee. The proposed demonstration projects will be a mock up of a sidewalk in the right of way and a center path in the medians on Belle Meade Blvd. City staff and Beautification Committee members will be working on this project over the winter months. More to come about this in future newsletters!
- Approved the following invoices over \$5,000:

o Kimley Horn	\$ 6,275.00
o Straeffler Pump & Supply	\$14,950.00
o Wascon Inc.	\$ 6,130.00
o Route 1-DataSource Mobility	\$12,252.68

**CERES SOCIETY DONATIONS –
NOVEMBER 2021**

TULIP SOCIETY - \$250 - \$499

Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Ortale

Stormwater User Fees were due and payable upon receipt of the invoice. They are now PAST DUE! If you have not already done so, please remit payment to city hall.

Property Taxes are due on or before February 28, 2022. If you have questions or need information, please call Rusty Terry at 297-6041 or email at Rterry@citybellemeade.org.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

January & February 2022

All Meetings Held at Belle Meade City Hall

Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, January 19th at 4:00 pm

Wednesday, February 16th at 4:00 pm

Historic Zoning Commission

Tuesday, January 11th at 3:00 pm

Tuesday, February 8th at 3:00 pm

Board of Building Code Appeals

Tuesday, January 11th at 4:00 pm

Tuesday, February 8th at 4:00 pm

Municipal Planning Commission

Tuesday, January 18th at 4:00 pm

Tuesday, February 15th at 4:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals

Tuesday, January 18th at 5:00 pm

Tuesday, February 15th at 5:00 pm

Agendas are available online at www.citybellemeade.org

Holiday Reminders - 2021

CITY HALL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DEC. 23RD AND 24TH FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AND FRIDAY, DEC. 31ST FOR THE NEW YEARS HOLIDAY.

IN CASE OF SEWER, ROAD, OR OTHER CITY EMERGENCIES DURING THE HOLIDAYS, PLEASE CALL THE POLICE DEPT. AT 615-297-0241 AND DISPATCH WILL CONTACT CITY STAFF.

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS WEEK
BRUSH & CHIPPER PICKUP:
BRUSH & CHIPPER ROUTES WILL BE RUN AS USUAL ON MONDAY, AND WEDNESDAY.
THE FRIDAY ROUTE RESIDENCES WILL BE PICKED UP ON THURSDAY, DEC. 23RD AND THURSDAY DEC. 30TH.**



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