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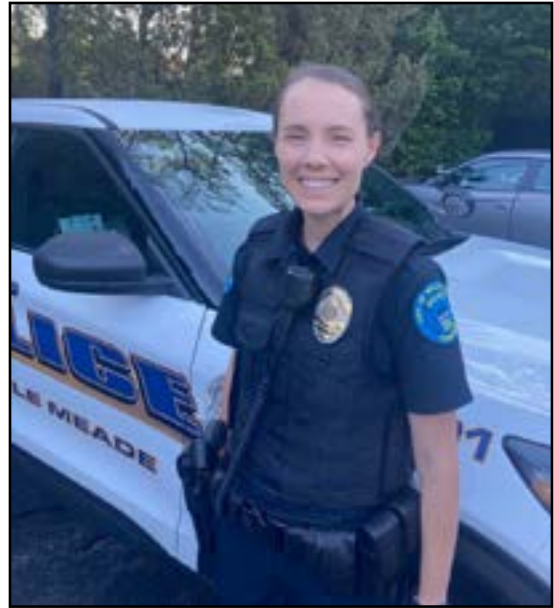
NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE OCTOBER 2025

BELLE MEADE OFFICER TO RUN NYC MARATHON ON NOVEMBER 2ND

Officer Hayley Doty is about to fulfill a bucket list dream for many runners around the world by joining more than 50,000 competitive, recreational, and charity runners at the 2025 TCS New York City Marathon.

Officer Doty was selected to represent a local New York nonprofit in this race. She is an avid runner, and the NYC Marathon has always been a race she has wanted to run. She has been training diligently and would like to thank all those who have supported her with words of encouragement and donations to the nonprofit. We are excited about this opportunity for her, and her dedication to her craft is inspiring to us all.

The event is the largest marathon in the world. Participants start on Staten Island at the foot of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge and run through all five boroughs before ending in Manhattan. More than one million spectators and thousands of volunteers line the city streets in support of the runners. The race celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2021.



Officer Doty

UPDATE ON BELLE MEADE TOGETHER PROJECTS

City Commissioners have ordered a full survey of Belle Meade Boulevard from end-to-end. This follows after the Commission received the results of a survey conducted earlier this year on Belle Meade Boulevard from Harding Place to Page Road. The additional survey work will continue where that effort ended and gather existing conditions from Harding Place to Harding Pike. Additionally, the Belle Meade Boulevard Advisory Committee, consisting of 15 residents, recommended a complete survey as an important and necessary action to support future landscaping in its medians or other efforts to preserve the beauty of the City's iconic and signature street. Belle Meade Boulevard is identified as a focus area within the City's long-ranging strategic planning document that aims to protect and preserve the beauty, character, and safety of the community. Residents of Belle Meade Boulevard will receive notice by mail prior to the start of work and date has yet to be determined.

New traffic calming islands are coming to Lynnwood Boulevard and West Tyne Drive. The city intends to advertise con-

struction bids over the next 45-days. Residents of both streets have been actively involved in the design process and provided comments that contributed to the final designs. The islands will be very similar to existing islands on Lynnwood Terrace. The islands will have masonry stone edges and will be built along the center lines of the roadway. They will be landscaped initially with sod and, seasonally, will receive the same fall and spring plantings like other planted beds throughout the city.

Projects like these have been identified and prioritized within the Belle Meade Together Plan, originally adopted by the City in October 2021. The Plan provides a design approach for the city staff and its civic leaders to follow in order to honor the City's beauty and quality with appropriate and complementary solutions. Belle Meade's design philosophy is described as "less is more" and encourages minimal use of hardscaping to avoid an "engineered" look; rather, seeking understated design treatments that aspire to blend seamlessly with the surrounding landscape. To read more from the Belle Meade Together Plan, please visit the City's website at citybellemeade.org and look for the link in the sidebar at the right-hand side of the homepage.

BELLE MEADE LIMITS JACKHAMMERING NOISE

City Commissioners approved a revision to the City's noise control ordinance to further limit loud, repetitive jackhammering noise from construction sites. The new code limits jackhammering to only occur between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Jackhammering, with either handheld tools or larger, hydraulic machines, is not permitted on Saturdays, Sundays, or any federal holiday. These noise limits were passed on final reading on September 17, 2025 and become immediately effective.



GOOD NEIGHBOR REMINDER

As the leaves begin to fall, please remember to keep gutters and down spouts clear of leaves and other debris. Look for storm drain covers and remove leaves that could prevent water from draining. Additionally, if you have drainage ditches or culverts, do not block them with leaves, brush, or yard trimmings.



FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT – CHIEF CHUCK WILLIAMS

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE



On August 28th, members of the City of Belle Meade Staff at St. George's Episcopal Church participated in a blood drive with Blood Assurance. Blood Assurance is a nonprofit, full-service regional blood center serving healthcare facilities in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky, and North Carolina. More than 540 volunteer blood donors are needed every day to supply these hospitals adequately. Thank you to everyone who participated, and a special thanks to St. George's for hosting this event.



EXPLORING BELLE MEADE HISTORY:

William Harding Jackson: Belle Meade's Link to the CIA



White House, March 1, 1950:
William Harding Jackson, U.S.
National Security Advisor and
President Dwight D. Eisenhower

William Harding Jackson was born on March 25, 1901, on the Belle Meade Plantation. He was named for his father, William Harding Jackson, who died when he was two years old. Jackson attended Fay School in Boston, which was an Episcopal Preparatory School.

He graduated from Princeton University in 1924 and Harvard Law School in 1928. Jackson went on to build a successful career in law and finance. Yet, like many of his generation, his course changed with World War II. He entered the Army as a Captain in February 1942. He served as the chief of intelligence for General Omar Bradley and briefly served in the Office of Strategic Services, as a precursor to the CIA. He left the army in August of 1945 as a Colonel.

In 1950, President Harry S. Truman appointed Jackson Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, placing him at the heart of America's response to the emerging Cold War. He worked to strengthen the young CIA, laying foundations that would guide U.S. intelligence for decades. Later, under President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Jackson served as Acting National Security Advisor, helping shape national security policy at the dawn of the nuclear age.

Though his career took him far from Tennessee, Jackson remained tied to Belle Meade through family and heritage. He died in Tucson, Arizona on September 28, 1971 at 70 years old. He was buried at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Nashville.

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:
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GUIDELINES FOR DRAINING YOUR POOL OR SPA

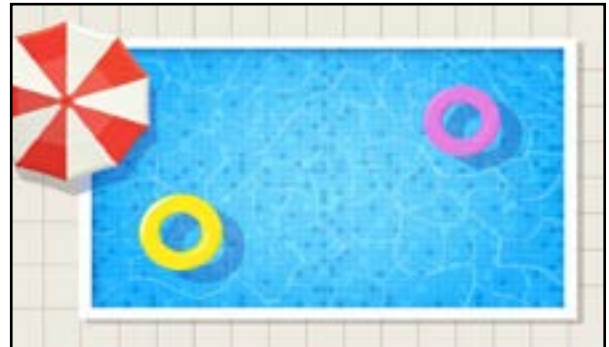
You can help keep our creeks, streams and rivers clean by properly draining your swimming pool or spa. **DO NOT DRAIN THE WATER INTO DRAINS MEANT FOR STORMWATER.** Stormwater drainage systems (catch basins in the streets, ditches, etc.) drain rainwater directly to creeks and streams.

You may drain the water onto grassy areas following these guidelines:

- ◆ A saltwater swimming pool system uses pool salt to make chlorine. The chemicals, chlorine and salt in pools can kill plants, wildlife, and aquatic animals such as fish and crayfish.
- ◆ De-chlorinate the water by allowing it to stand untreated for 7 to 10 days before you drain the pool/spa.
- ◆ Drain the water directly onto the grass in your yard. Be a good neighbor – allow the water to only drain onto your property so that it does not cause erosion or flooding in your neighbor's yard.

- ◆ Drain the pool water slowly to allow it to be absorbed into the ground and to prevent erosion and ponding. Standing water can lead to mosquito problems in as little as 48 to 72 hours and may be a code violation.

It is illegal to drain your filter backwash water, saltwater or chlorinated pool water, or spa directly into the stormwater drainage system or a creek unless it is de-chlorinated. (CITY OF BELLE MEADE STORM WATER ORDINANCE – SECTION 8, ILLICIT DISCHARGES).



RECAP OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS

The Commissioners took action on the following items at the, **September 17, 2025** meeting:



- Approved, on final reading, Ordinance 2025-8 amending Title 11 of the Belle Meade Municipal Code to Limit Hours for Jackhammering activity to weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., no holidays, Saturdays, or Sundays.
- Approved, on the 1st of 2 readings, Ordinance 2025-9 amending Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, to make three (3) amendments to the city's policies:
- Amending the value of contracts requiring Board of Commissioners' approval from \$3,000 to \$25,000 and aligning it with the existing threshold established for competitive sealed bids.
- Amending the list of city officials authorized to sign checks to additionally include the city manager; and
- Amending policies related to internal controls to remove and replace a requirement for the Board of Commissioners to approve all invoices over \$5,000 with a requirement for the Board of Commissioners to review a complete list of all checks written each month.
- Approved, on the 1st of 2 readings, Ordinance 2025-10 amending the current year budget; most significant was the addition of \$400,000 in capital expenditures to support the construction of traffic calming islands on West Tyne Drive and Lynnwood Boulevard.
- Approved Resolution 2025-07 to declare two (2) city vehicles as surplus property to be sold.
- Approved a Parade Permit for the annual Belle Meade Holiday Parade for Saturday, December 6, 2025 on Belle Meade Boulevard.
- Approved a contract totaling \$17,888.03 with Omnigo for police record-keeping software.
- Approved Beautification Fund expenditure of \$5,556 with LSI to remove and replace a tree at the cul-de-sac island on Sunnyside Drive.
- Approved city-wide landscaping expenditures not to exceed \$12,500 for October with LSI.
- Approved city-wide landscaping expenditures totaling \$51,095 with LSI for seasonal services, including the fall color plantings in all landscaped beds.
- Approved proceeding with the Harding Pike (Lynnwood Blvd to Belle Meade Blvd) Sidewalk Project, with support from TDOT's 2021 Multimodal Access Grant funds, following two public workshops.
- Approved an Amendment to the Agreement with KCI Technologies to authorize additional survey work, totaling \$57,000, on Belle Meade Boulevard.
- Received a presentation of financial statements and investment schedules from Finance Director Leigh Mills, reviewed all checks issued in July, and approved all invoices over \$5,000.
- Approved a one-year contract extension with Chano and Sons, totaling \$20,988, for janitorial services through September 30, 2026.
- Discussed scheduling a 3-hour retreat for the Board of Commissioners to be held in October.
- The Board of Commissioners' next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15th at 4:00 p.m.

CERES SOCIETY DONATIONS – SEPTEMBER 2025

OAK SOCIETY-\$1,000 or more
Ms. Laura Katherine Wood

MAGNOLIA SOCIETY-\$500-\$999
Mr. & Mrs. Irvin Small

TULIP SOCIETY-\$250-\$499
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Jackson
Ms. Ellen Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Miller

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS
OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2025
All Meetings Held at Belle Meade City Hall**

Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, October 15th at 4:00 pm
Wednesday, November 19th at 4:00 pm

Historic Zoning Commission

Tuesday, October 14th at 3:00 pm
Tuesday, November 11th at 3:00 pm

Municipal Planning Commission

Tuesday, October 21st at 4:00 pm
November 18th at 4:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals

Tuesday, October 21st at 5:00 pm
Tuesday, November 18th at 5:00 pm

Agendas are available online at
www.citybellemeade.org

REMINDERS:



**Belle Meade Trick or Treat
2025: Sunday, October 26th
from 1:00 to 4:00 PM**

Calling all ghouls, ghosts, princesses, and pumpkins! Join us for our **FREE** annual Trick or Treat at Belle Meade Historic Site on Sunday October 26th from 1 to 4 PM! This classic Halloween event is for children and their families.

BELLE MEADE'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARADE will be on **Saturday, December 6, 2025** with the parade of floats down Belle Meade Boulevard beginning at 1:00 p.m. The route will follow the same route as last year, beginning at the Page Road end of Belle Meade Boulevard and ending at the Belle Meade Country Club/Harding Place intersection. Spectators may park and watch from the southbound lanes.



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return service requested