

GLENVIEW NEWSLETTER
SPRING 2007

MAYOR'S MESSAGE
By: Richard M. Breen

I want to thank you very much for the privilege and honor of serving as your Mayor. I really enjoy the job, and these are exciting, challenging times for our City. There is a lot going on!

In January, at our first regular meeting, the Commission voted to keep Leonard Heydt City Administrator and Kyle Hubbard City Attorney. We have employed Kacy White as our new City Clerk, and Tim Stephens CPA as City Accountant. The new personnel were necessary to establish a computer based accounting system for the City (Quickbooks), to ready the City for the 2007 audit, to set up a computer based system for the City's tax roll, and to upgrade the City's web page.

As the Commission starts to work on next years budget, we anticipate maintaining the current tax rate of .13 cents per \$100.00. Glenview's taxes are among the lowest in the Commonwealth (Anchorage is .36 cents). Historically, Glenview's tax rate has varied between .23 cents per hundred, and .11 cents per hundred, with the current rate of .13 cents in effect for the last six years. We are just beginning to assess some maintenance issues, like the clogged drains on Woodside Road, and some long term capital projects. I pledge to work to keep Glenview's taxes among the lowest in the state.

I have met several times with the City of Louisville Water Company, LG&E, and Bellsouth to assure that all of the utilities on Glenview between the Post Office and River Road will be buried, and the existing utility poles and overhead wires will be removed. Establishing electrical service to the well will also permit us to install some dignified lighting so the Glenview entrance will be easier to find at night.

We brought in John Beckman, a licensed planner, as a consultant. His thoughts and report are very helpful. Basically, the City has three subjects for future discussion. First is land conservation, like protecting the bottom lands along River Road. Second is traffic planning, to help preserve our rural character as we deal with extensive future development. Third is a long term project to enhance the entrances to our City that do not have a Glenview signature. We are in the earliest stages of these projects, and as we move forward we will be keeping you informed and seeking your input.

I also want you to know that I met with the developer of the Profit Estate on Lime Kiln Lane, and his attorney. They promised me that they would not widen Lime Kiln, and they will remove the utility poles and bury the wires that now exist on the front of the

property. The developer was very hospitable, and has also agreed to remove as few trees as possible, which is furthered by the decision not to widen Lime Kiln.

Again, thank you. I am proud to be your Mayor, and I promise to work hard with the Commission to do what is best for Glenview. I really appreciate the City's Commissioners' cooperation and support.

GLENVIEW UPDATE

By: Leonard Heydt
City Administrator

LOUISVILLE WATER COMPANY PROJECT

The Louisville Water Company has drilled a temporary test well at the corner of River Road and Glenview Avenue. This test well is designed to sample water from the large aquifer that flows beneath the area. The test well is part of a complex Water Company plan to develop an alternative source of water. The well on Glenview Avenue is slated for removal in July of 2008. The temporary easement to use the property was obtained by the Water Company from Landsdown Neighborhood Association, and will expire in August of 2008. The City of Glenview was not informed of the project before it started, and only learned about the project after contacting the Water Company to inquire about its plans. Mayor Breen has been to three meetings with the Water Company. Commissioner Capteron has attended a meeting, and other City Officials have attended numerous meetings.

Since Glenview has become involved, several changes are being made to the plan. The Water Company needs electricity to run the pump. LG&E planned to erect four utility poles along the east side of Glenview Avenue to provide power to the pump. Glenview was adamantly opposed to this plan. Glenview has convinced the utilities to bury the power cable on the west side of Glenview Avenue. As part of the project Glenview has persuaded the telephone company to relocate their existing lines underground and thereby eliminate the telephone poles that exist on the west side of Glenview Avenue. The well will be screened from view soon after the electric lines are connected to the pump. The work should commence shortly and may be underway by the time you receive this newsletter.

CONSULTANT'S REPORT

The City of Glenview recently engaged the services of John Beckman with Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC to conduct a one day visit to the City of Glenview for the purpose of providing a professional perspective on the current physical conditions in the City,

with a focus on traffic, visual environment, pedestrian and other quality of life issues, and to assess known pressures for change, and the likely future and suggest approaches for managing that future.

Wallace Roberts & Todd is a well known environmental planning firm based in Philadelphia and is currently working on the City of Parks and Floyd's Fork projects in Jefferson County.

The City Commissioners have received the report from the consultant and are working on evaluating the recommendations. Some of the recommendations provide the foundation for further action and are already being addressed.

LIME KILN LANE / BRITTANY WOODS CIRCLE DRAINAGE

The residents of Brittany Woods Circle have been subjected to a drainage problem for a long, long time. The corner of Lime Kiln and Brittany Woods Circle becomes a lake whenever there is a moderate rain. The storm sewer line is blocked under Lime Kiln Lane. There have been several plans to fix this problem but nothing has been accomplished. Finally, thanks to the diligence of several Brittany Woods Circle residents and the City of Glenview it appears that the repairs will be made in the near future. MSD has informed City officials that the funding and design for the repairs have been finalized. MSD is currently going through the approval and permit process to trench across Lime Kiln Lane. Hopefully this work will be completed before the spring storms.

WOODSIDE ROAD DRAINAGE

Woodside Road has experienced drainage problems for many years. The problem is due to a spring and drainage lines that are no longer functioning. Mayor Breen and Administrator Heydt recently met onsite with MSD to discuss the problems. MSD has agreed to include Woodside in the MSD project DRY program designed to address issues similar to the Woodside Road problem. Funding will become available on July 1, 2007. Glenview is exploring the feasibility and the cost involved to see if some of the drains can be cleaned out now before the spring storms cause more drainage problems in this area.

VINES

In an effort to conserve the trees we have, workers will be cutting out a portion of the vines growing on trees beside Glenview roadways. If left unchecked the vines can slowly

kill a tree. If you have a tree growing near the road and you do not want the vines cut, please advise the City Administrator at 292-1997.

LITTER AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

The City has started a litter sweep. These sweeps have been done for several years and the intention is to do this several times a year. During the last sweep the City picked up over 26 large trash bags full of litter plus a tire and a part of an old stove. The major problems seem to be River Road, Woodside Road and Glenview Avenue. Should you see someone littering try to get his or her car license number and report this to the City Administrator at 292-1997. DO NOT TRY TO CONFRONT ANYONE.

In addition to the litter sweep the City has cleaned up the sides of Woodside Road that had become overgrown with vegetative debris.

The City has experienced a problem with illegal dumping on Glen Arden Road. The police have caught one person but the dumping still occurs periodically. Should you observe anyone dumping trash anywhere in the City please call the administrator with a description of the vehicle and vehicle license number.

VIAL OF LIFE PROGRAM

The Harrods Creek Fire Protection District is implementing the "Vial of Life" program, free of any charge to residents of the Fire Protection District. This program is part of one that is nationally recognized and one that could save your life in a time of need.

The program is designed to provide your important medical information to first responders in the event you are unable to speak or cannot remember the medications that you are taking at the time of your emergency. Your medical information would be sealed in a tube to be placed inside your refrigerator door. A small decal would be placed on your front door alerting first responders that your medical information is located inside the door of your refrigerator. Having this information stored in this vial would make it readily accessible to take with you if you ever must leave your home quickly in the event of a community wide emergency.

If you would like to implement this program or have any questions please contact District Chief Dell Marstilller at The Harrods Creek Fire Department, 228-1351, 8:00A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. This voluntary program is one more way your fire department is looking out for your safety.

RUMPKE GARBAGE SERVICE

Rumpke garbage collections are on Monday and Thursday with yard waste pickup on Monday. This schedule is affected by several holidays during the year. If an observed holiday falls during the week your garbage collection will be delayed by one day. Included with this newsletter is a schedule of Rumpke holidays for 2007. Should you experience a problem with Rumpke and you cannot reach them at 568-3800 please call the City Administrator at 292-1997.

DOGS, DOGS, DOGS

Dogs must be under control at all times and are not allowed to roam loose. There have been several recent encounters between walkers and dogs. Animal control will issue citations if they are called to an area and find dogs loose. Many of our walkers are elderly and a well meaning but overly friendly dog could cause these walkers to fall. Please see that your dogs are under control or restrained at all times.

EXTRA POLICE PATROLS

The City of Glenview engages extra police patrols on a regular basis. The times for these patrols are never the same. Some patrols are at night and some are during the day. The unmarked vehicles run radar and watch for other traffic violations. The officers are available to keep an eye on your home while you are away or they can even drive through your driveway on a regular basis if you so desire. Lt. Jenny Assef is in charge of the extra patrols and can be reached at 376-9153 to arrange for house watches or additional services.

MOSQUITOES

Mosquito season is almost here. Hopefully drainage improvements within the City will reduce the yearly mosquito problem. The Metro Health Department advises that mosquitoes must also be controlled around the home. ANY STAGNANT WATER is a breeding source for mosquitoes. The most common areas to find stagnant water around the house would be birdbaths, any type of container and stopped up gutters. Check around your house and make sure you are not providing a place for these critters to breed.