

WILDER EXCHANGE

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WATER DISTRICT

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DISTRICT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

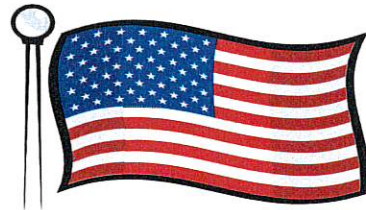
- ◆ City Council Meetings - 1st & 3rd Monday of Every Month at 7:00 PM
- ◆ City Council Meetings can be viewed on Spectrum channel 200, Cincinnati Bell Fiopics channel 806 or www.campbellmedia.org
- ◆ Wilder Planning & Zoning - 4th Monday (as needed) at 7:00 PM
- ◆ Wilder Vol.Fire Dept Drill - Every Monday at 7:30 PM

SPECIAL DATES

July 5, 2021—City Building Closed

September 6, 2021—City Building Closed

September 12, 2021—Fifty-Sixth Annual Flag Raising Ceremony



PLEASE KEEP OUR MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN
THE ARMED FORCES IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND
PRAYERS

**PLEASE SIGN UP NOW TO RECEIVE
IMPORTANT NEWS AND
E-NEWSLETTERS IN THE FUTURE.**

WWW.WILDERKY.GOV



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

When: JULY 31st AT DUSK

Where: City Center Park

What: Raya The Last Dragon

Live Music, Food, Drinks and Sweets from
6 pm - 9 pm

**Bring a blanket or chair to enjoy the show



ADULT OPEN PLAY PICKLEBALL EVERY TUESDAY 4 PM - 6 PM. PLEASE CALL
THE CITY BUILDING TO RESERVE A SLOT FOR YOUR TEAM.
859-581-8884



RECREATIONAL 6 PERSON COED
SAND VOLLEYBALL

8 GAME SEASON
THURSDAY NIGHTS
STARTS JULY 22nd (NEW START DATE)

LEAGUE FEE \$100
PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR TEAM'S ROSTER ALONG WITH
FEE BY JULY 15
CALL THE CITY BUILDING FOR MORE
INFORMATION
859-581-8884



TRASH TALK TUESDAY

Warmer weather has definitely arrived and summer is here. Many people take advantage of the sidewalks that the city has to offer. This may come in the form of running, walking, biking, strollers etc. Please be mindful on trash day to place your bins closer to the curb as to leave a path for your neighbors to safely pass.

In accordance to Ordinance No. 92-1201 Section Two, Subsection (1) Containers must not be set out prior to dusk on the day preceding collection and must be removed as soon as possible within the same day as collection.

Any questions please call 859-581-8884.

Please be mindful of your neighbors this 4th of July weekend. While fireworks may seem harmless, your elderly neighbors, families with young children and those with household pets are being significantly impacted. Also be sure to clean up firework debris.



NOW THAT THINGS ARE GETTING BACK TO NORMAL PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES. THE CITY OF WILDER HAS AN ARRAY OF BUSINESSES YOU MAY OR MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT ARE IN THIS AREA. PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, WINDOW CLEANING, MOVIE THEATER, RESTUARANTS, GAS STATIONS, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, VISION CARE, CHIROPRACTIC, FURNITURE, SPORTS, GRANITE SHOPS, HOTELS, VETERINARIAN, TOWING SERVICE, COUNCILING SERVICES, CLOTHING RETAIL AND MUCH MORE.

Tips for safe summer cookin'

General Grill Safety:

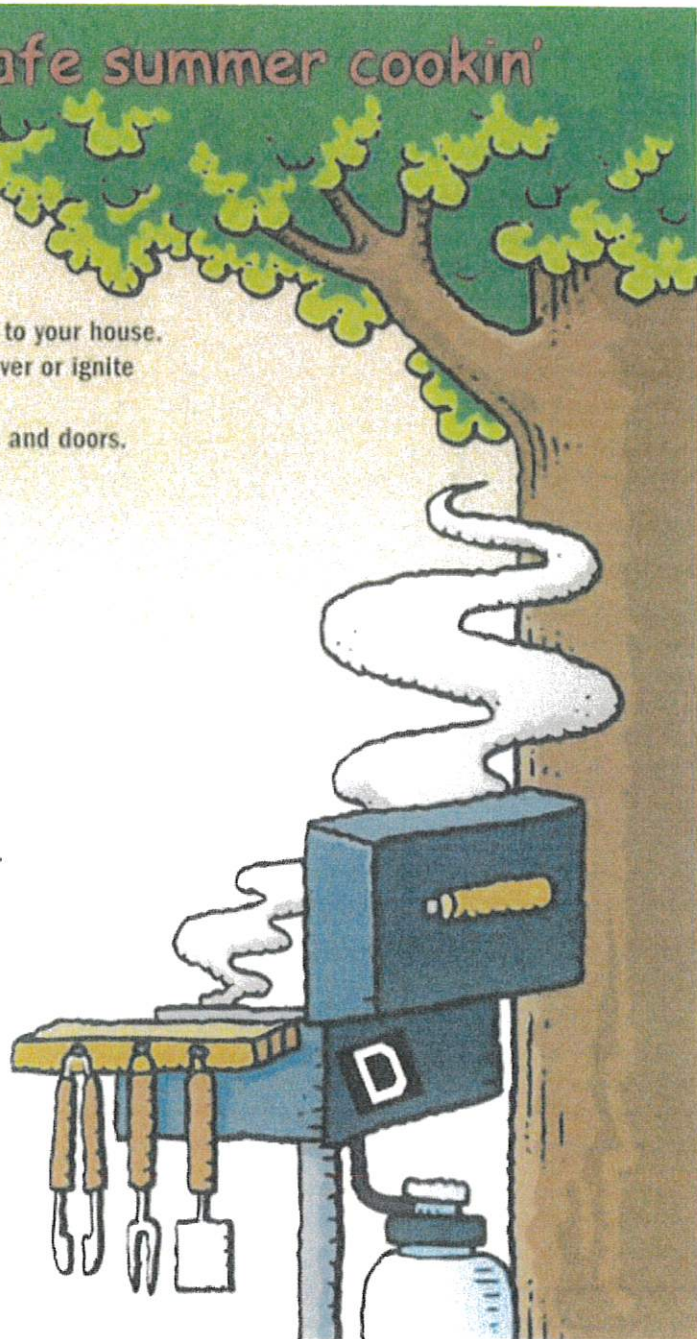
- Do not place an operating grill next to your house.
- Place grills where they will not tip over or ignite objects above them.
- Keep grills away from open windows and doors.
- Do not use grills under awnings or carports.
- Do not place within 15 feet of combustible material.
- Dorm residents **MUST** use designated picnic areas.

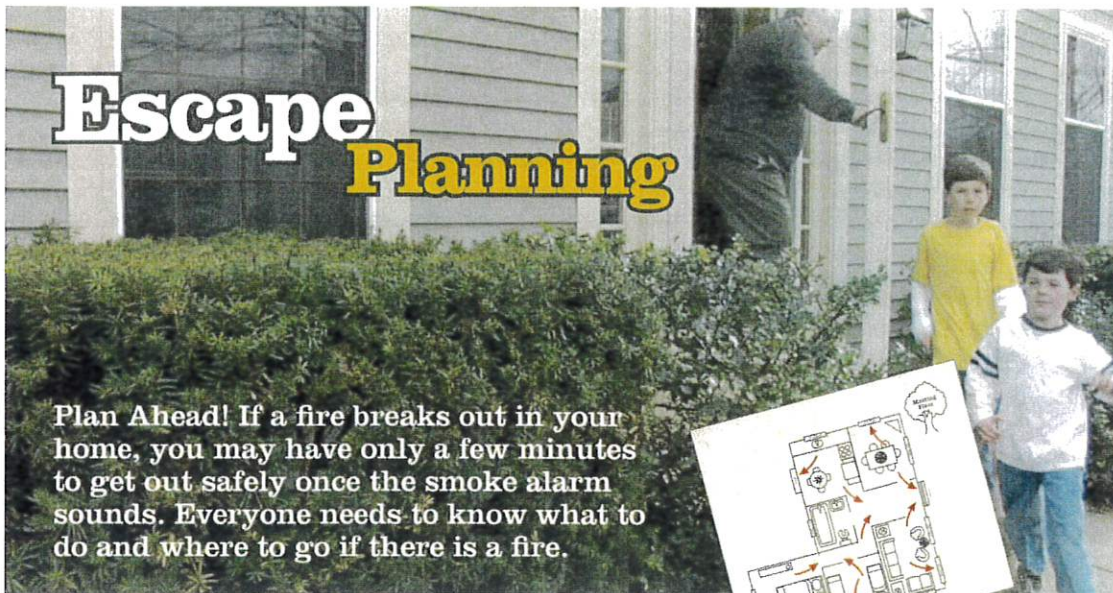
Charcoal Grill Safety:

- Only apply lighter fluid on coals before fire is ignited.
- **NEVER** use gasoline to start a fire.
- Always soak coals in grill with water after cooking.
- Store unused charcoal coals in dry, well-ventilated area.

Gas Grill Safety:

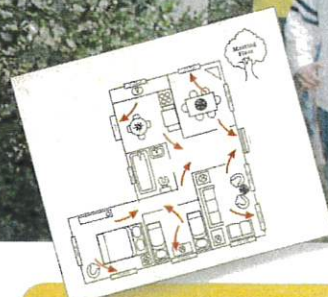
- Always store outside when gas bottle is connected.
- Ensure no gas leaks. Prior to each use, check hoses and regulators.
- Check igniter switch for operation prior to turning on.
- Use caution when igniting grill.





Escape Planning

Plan Ahead! If a fire breaks out in your home, you may have only a few minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go if there is a fire.



SAFETY TIPS

- » **MAKE** a home escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Discuss the plan with everyone in your home.
- » **KNOW** at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.
- » **HAVE** an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole or mailbox) a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet.
- » **PRACTICE** your home fire drill at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.
- » **PRACTICE** using different ways out.
- » **TEACH** children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- » **CLOSE** doors behind you as you leave.

IF THE ALARM SOUNDS...

- » If the smoke alarm sounds, **GET OUT AND STAY OUT**. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- » If you have to escape through smoke, **GET LOW AND GO** under the smoke to your way out.
- » **CALL** the fire department from outside your home.

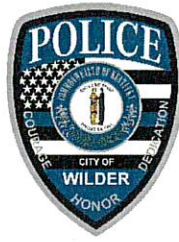
FACTS

- ! A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire. Install smoke alarms inside every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- ! According to an NFPA survey, only **one of every three** American households have actually developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.
- ! While **71%** of Americans have an escape plan in case of a fire, only **47%** of those have practiced it.
- ! **One-third** of American households who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life-threatening. The time available is often less. And only **8%** said their first thought on hearing a smoke alarm would be to get out!



Your Source for SAFETY Information
NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

From the desk of the Chief of Police



New Laws

The 2021 regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly produced several new laws. Here are a few noteworthy new laws going into effect. Unless enacted as emergency legislation or the bill specified at a later effective date, all new laws and amendments are effective on June 29, 2021.

HOUSE BILL 125 — MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE

Creates a new section in KRS Chapter 186 to require the Transportation Cabinet to establish a restriction category on the motorcycle operator's license to restrict license holders to operation of 3-wheeled vehicles if they took their license exam on a 3-wheeled vehicle.

<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/21RS/hb125.html>

HOUSE BILL 126 — THEFT STATUTES

Makes amendments to theft statutes to raise the felony threshold to \$1,000, creates a Class B misdemeanor for property valued less than \$500, and Class A misdemeanor for property valued at least \$500 but less than \$1,000. This bill was signed into law by Gov. Andy Beshear on March 22, 2021.

<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/21RS/hb126.html>

HOUSE BILL 439 — OPERATOR'S LICENSE

Amends KRS 186.577 to require vision testing on an operator's license renewal, and make other amendments to statutes to conform. This bill was signed into law by Gov. Andy Beshear on March 25, 2021.

<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/21RS/hb439.html>

Sincerely,

Chad Martin
Wilder Chief of Police

Please read the following State Health Guidelines regarding the Splash Pad. The following page are the cities rules. These requirements are strictly for the health and safety of our visitors. They also help keep the park and splash pad clean and functioning properly. Damage to the water features may result in lengthy closures.

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services

STATE HEALTH GUIDELINES

- Admission to the facility is refused to all persons having any contagious disease, infectious conditions as colds, fever, ringworm, foot infections, skin lesions, carbuncles, boils, inflamed eyes, ear discharges, or any other condition which has the appearance of being infectious. Persons with excessive sunburn, abrasions which have not healed, corn plasters, bunion pads, adhesive tape, rubber bandages, or other bandages of any kind are not permitted. A person under the influence of alcohol or exhibiting erratic behavior shall not be permitted in the facility area.
- No food, drink, gum or tobacco will be allowed in other than specially designated and controlled sections of the facility area.
- Personal conduct within the facility shall assure that the safety of self and others is not jeopardized. No running and no boisterous or rough play.
- Spitting, spouting of water, blowing the nose, or otherwise introducing contaminants into the facility water is not permitted.
- Glass, soap, or other material which might create hazardous conditions or interfere with efficient operation of the facility shall not be permitted in the facility or on the deck.
- All apparel worn in the facility shall be clean.
- All animals shall be excluded from the facility area.

WILDER SPLASH PAD RULES

- NO GLASS CONTAINERS
- NO LITTERING
- NO FOOD OR DRINKS ALLOWED IN SPLASH PAD AREA
- NO PETS ALLOWED ON SPLASH PAD
- CLIMBING ON SPLASH PAD FIXTURES IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED
- CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE PROPER SUPERVISION
- CHILDREN WEARING DIAPERS MUST HAVE SWIM DIAPERS ON WHILE IN SPLASH PAD AREA
- SPLASH PAD MAY BE CLOSED AT ANY TIME DUE TO WEATHER, MAINTENCE OR OTHER OPERATIONAL CONCERNS
- WATER IS CLORINATED AND RE-CIRCULATED THROUGH A FILTRATION SYSTEM
- DO NOT DRINK THE WATER
- NO SAND OR MULCH TO BE BROUGHT INTO SPLASH PAD AREA
- NO POP-UP TENTS OR PORTABLE CHAIRS IN SPLASH PAD AREA
- NO SMOKING

From the desk of City Clerk/Treasurer

Thank you to everyone who came out to our first Movie Night last month. It was a huge success. Hope to see everyone of you later this month for our next Movie night.

There are still some dates available for shelter rentals at the City Center Park. At this time 4 hour rentals are \$25.00. Please call the city building for more information.

Also, anyone doing business in the City of Wilder must have an Occupational License. Please call the city building for more information.

Thank you,
Juanita Schultz, City Clerk

From the desk of City Administrator

Three Mile Road Closure

Duke Energy is in the process of replacing 2000 feet of gas main from Three Mile Road up the hill to Johns Hill. This work is being done as part of Duke's ongoing commitment to provide safe and reliable gas service to the area. The work will create some road closures and detours. While the bulk of the road closures will effect Three Mile Road residents only, those using Three Mile/Gibson Lane will also need to pay close attention to the road closure signs and detours.

Three Mile Road closure is scheduled for July 10th-17th. Message boards will hopefully be up by July 5th. Detours will be marked for local traffic or those accessing the interstate.

The message on boards include:

- Message Board 1 @ Licking Pike & Johns Hill road will read "Road Closed at 3 Mile Use Detour" 7/10-7/17.
- Message Board 2 @ 3 Mile Rd & Gibson Ln "Road Closed Use Alternate Route 7/10-7/17.

While we realize this is a major inconvenience especially to our residents on Three Mile and Gibson Lane, all efforts are being made to expedite the work and minimize the negative impact on the travelling public.

Animal Control Officer

Since April 2018, the city has been contracting with the Northern Kentucky Animal Control to respond to, investigate and regulate animal issues within the city. The animal control is managed by Teri Baker and serves the City of Wilder and 9 other cities. We are happy to have this service available to our residents. While the Wilder Police still respond to animal related calls from time to time, it's nice to have someone specifically trained in this field to respond to calls and be available to enforce the city's animal control regulations. Calls for service are handled through Campbell County Dispatch at (859)-292-3622 or 911 in an emergency. Information about Northern Kentucky Animal Control can be viewed at [facebook.com/NKYanimalcontrol/](https://www.facebook.com/NKYanimalcontrol/) or by calling (859) 572-1211.

If you have any questions about the animal control contract or city ordinances concerning animal control you can also contact the city building at (859) 581-8884.

ALSO FYI: DUE TO HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS, DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE NEW SPLASH PAD OR PLAYGROUND AREAS.

Thank you,

Terry Vance
City Administrator

*From the Desk of
Mayor Robert A. Arnold*

DEDICATIONS

Fire Station – After a long delay due to the worldwide pandemic, we were able to finally have an appropriate dedication to the new fire station that is adjacent to the city building. This is a much needed and well-deserved upgrade for our first responders who faithfully and without hesitation answer the call when needed. I am grateful for all those who attended and to the staff who worked very hard to make it a special event. Please reach out to our fire chief, Doug Nyman, if you would like to take a tour of the newest asset of the city.



City Center Park – As with the fire station, the new City Center Park, featuring the very popular splash pad, was given its proper due with a dedication on the same day that we dedicated the new fire station. The park is behind the city building and is a complete transformation of the old park that existed and was rarely used. Since the dedication, this new park is in regular use by residents and the general public. The added shelters have been very popular and are available to rent for parties and family gatherings. A drive around the back of the city building will give you a good look at the improvements that have been made there. Please call the city building for details for renting the shelters.

MAINTENANCE AND CITY BEAUTIFICATION

This time of year creates a heavy burden for the city maintenance staff. Like most homeowners, the City maintenance crew spends an inordinate amount of time outside cutting grass on all of the city owned properties, along some of the roadways, and in the public parks. With the addition of the City Center Park and the splash pad, there has been increased responsibility for the staff. To keep a focus on the maintenance of the city, we have hired an additional seasonal employee. It is a major undertaking for our small staff, but they are working hard to keep up with the increased workload.



Over the next several months, you will see the first attempts to focus on the beautification of the city. This was emphasized in the comprehensive plan created in 2019. As such, I am trying to increase our efforts to meet the goals set forth in that plan. There is a sub-committee of City Council that is bringing forth recommendations that we will try to implement. To start, there will be a focus on the entryways to the city and the city center area.

Bob Arnold,
Mayor