

WILDER EXCHANGE

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CITY SERVICE REFERENCE NUMBERS



CITY BUILDING	859-581-8884
POLICE DEPT.	859-581-8863
FIRE DEPT.	859-431-1440
MAINTENANCE	859-581-8884
RUMPKE	800-828-8171
NORTHERN KY WATER DISTRICT	859-578-9898
SANITATION DISTRICT	859-578-7450

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

March 4th thru April 8th – Drive-thru Fish Fry at city building 4pm-7pm

April 10th 12:30-1:30— Easter Egg Hunt

April 15th– City Building Closed– Spring Holiday

May 8th– Mother’s Day

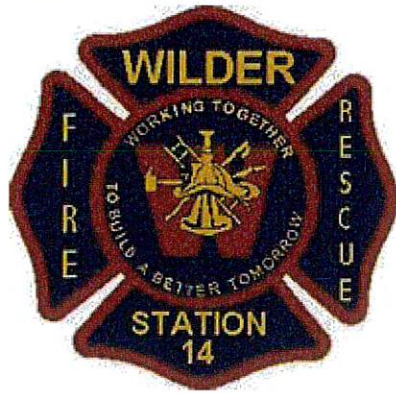
May 13th, 14th & 15th– City Wide Yard Sale

May 30th—City Building Closed



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

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WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL



Drive-thru Fish Fry

Please call 859-431-5884 to place order or order in person without leaving your car by entering rear side of building via South Street. Signs will be placed to direct you. Please check out our facebook for menu items at www.facebook.com/wilderfd

March 4th thru April 8th

4:00pm – 7:00pm



EASTER EGG HUNT

***City Center Park
Sunday April 10th
12:30PM – 1:30PM***

***Hotdogs, Drinks and cookies
Bring your child and get pictures with the Easter Bunny***

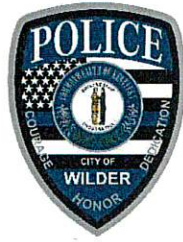
***Three Age Group
0-4 years, 5-8 years and 9-11 years***



Sunday March 13, 2022



Remember to change your batteries in your smoke detectors



"Better to be three hours too soon, than a minute too late." - William Shakespeare

I'm sure you've heard a saying or two about how precious time is and to live in the now. These sayings have come to the forefront of so many minds in recent months, including my own. Don't worry, I'm not going to tell you to quit your job and pursue your childhood dream, or call your parents more often, (even though you should). I want to remind you how important it is to call the police when you see something that looks suspicious.

In recent weeks, there have been several calls where people wanted to report something that seemed suspicious to them. The only problem is they waited until the next day, or even days later to make the call. If you see someone sitting in a car in your neighborhood for an extended period of time, call 859-292-3622 and notify the Campbell County Dispatch Center. They will send an officer to investigate. Maybe it's a family friend that arrived early, or a contractor working on an estimate, but what if they are waiting for an opportunity to commit a crime? Waiting until the next day or days later to call the police will not deter criminal activity.

There have been reports of suspicious people walking through backyards and suspicious vehicles driving around neighborhoods, but residents have waited to notify the police until hours or days later. Don't be worried about overreacting or upsetting a neighbor. Our officers are extremely professional and can quickly evaluate a situation. If the situation is completely innocent, the person could resume their activity and feel assured they are in a safe area. If someone is up to no good, wouldn't it be better for the officer to prevent a crime instead of showing up hours later to interview a victim of a crime? So, if you see something that looks odd, your officers are out twenty-four hours a day and would love to check on the situation for you.

Sincerely,

Chad Martin
Chief of Police

From the desk of City Clerk

Spring is approaching fast and the weather will be changing soon. Don't forget to get your Frederick's Landing passes at the city building. Wilder residents can take advantage of one (1) free pass per household.

There are 3 shelter available for rent within the city. Two at the City Center Park and One at Frederick's Landing. Please call the city building for details at 859-581-8884.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

POT HOLES ROAD MAINTENANCE

Do you ever wonder who is responsible for street/road maintenance and pot hole repair. Depending on what road it is determines what agency (city or state) will make the repairs. In the City of Wilder many of the heavily travelled roads are maintained by the Kentucky State Transportation Cabinet. Below is a list of roads that fall under state maintenance.

- Johns Hill Road State Route 2345
- Three Mile Road State Route 2238
- Mook Road State Route 1632
- Licking Pike State Route 9
- AA Highway State Route 9
- I-275 Including on and off ramps

If you encounter any problems, pot holes, slippage, signage, drainage problems or traffic signal issues, on any of the routes listed above, please report these issues directly to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District Six Offices. The number is listed below:

859-341-2700

For all other street repairs or concerns please contact the city building at 859-581-8884.

DOG ORDINANCES

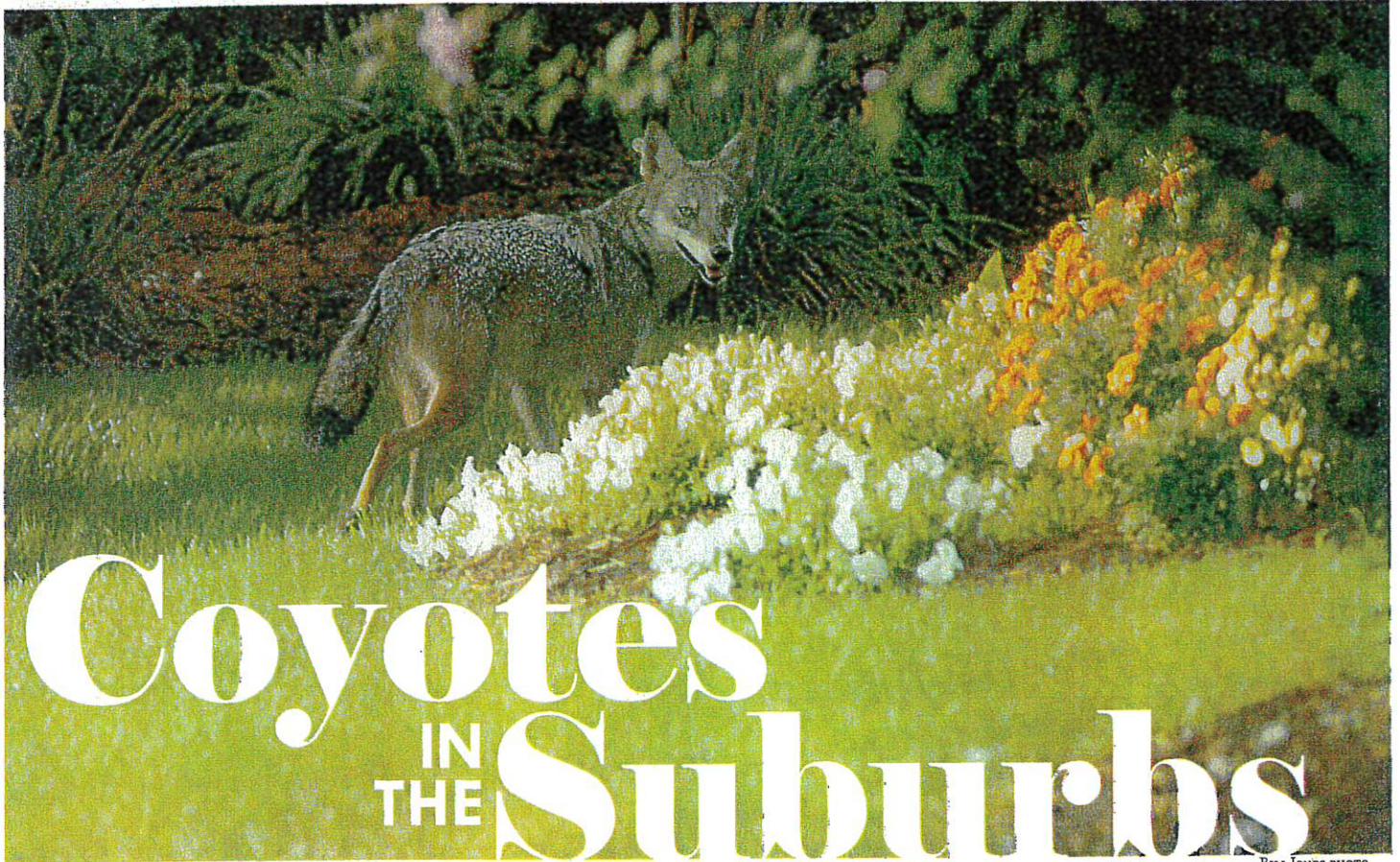
JUST A REMINDER THAT THE CITY OF WILDER HAS ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO ANIMALS, SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARD TO THE FOLLOWINGS ISSUES:

- Leash Law: Dogs are not permitted to run loose. They must be on a leash if off of owner's property.
- Habitual Barking: No person who owns or is otherwise responsible for a dog may allow that dog via loud, frequent or habitual barking or howling to cause a disturbance to other residents
- Removal of Excrement: Those responsible for pets must take care of cleanup after the pet. The city has installed waste stations along sidewalks and in city parks.

ANYONE WITNESSING VIOLATIONS OF THE ABOVE MAY CONTACT THE WILDER POLICE DEPARTMENT 859-581-8863



WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT QUICK REFERENCE SERIES: **COYOTES**



BILL JONES PHOTO

Coyotes IN THE Suburbs

COYOTES, ONCE LIMITED to the prairies of central North America, are now common in suburban and urban areas across the country.

Neighborhood and city residents not used to being around these animals often have questions about how to deal with them. A basic understanding of the behavior of coyotes – and following some simple guidelines – can help reduce conflicts with these wild animals.

Coyote sightings increase during certain times of the year. Coyotes roam more as breeding season begins in January and February. Their visibility continues into July as they care for their new pups. Sightings pick up again in the fall, when juveniles disperse to find their own territories.

Coyotes may be less tolerant of people around their dens while they are raising pups, especially when someone gets too close. Coyotes are adaptable animals that

How to avoid conflicts with your new neighbors

can use a variety of dens. Sites can include hollow trees or logs, rock crevices, brush piles, abandoned groundhog burrows, self-excavated holes, abandoned buildings or junk piles.

Total eradication of coyotes is not possible. Trapping and removing coyotes will only result in new coyotes moving in to occupy empty territories. Efforts to eradicate coyotes can actually increase their numbers: females may breed at younger ages and give birth to larger litters. The survival rate of pups may increase due to less competition for food.

Fortunately, coyotes typically avoid humans – unless people create situations that attract animals to their homes. Communities must work together to maintain the natural fear that coyotes have of humans and create an environment where coyotes and humans can better co-exist.

The number one rule for dealing with coyotes is not to feed them or provide them with a food source. Discourage your neighbors from feeding coyotes or leaving food out for feral cats or other wildlife.

Coyotes fed by people may lose their natural fear of humans and become aggressive. Nature already provides plenty of food for these omnivorous animals. A coyote's buffet may include mice, rabbits, frogs, insects, carrion, goose eggs and fruit. A coyote in search of an easy meal may also take advantage of dog food left on the porch, unsecured garbage and garden fruits such as watermelon and strawberries. ■



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WHAT TO DO IF YOU ENCOUNTER A COYOTE:

DON'T PANIC. Coyotes are curious and sometimes follow people to see what they are doing in their territories.

DON'T APPROACH a coyote to take photographs or video.

DON'T TURN YOUR BACK.

DON'T RUN. Running away dampens the coyote's fear of people; it also could trigger its chase instinct.

DON'T HAZE a coyote that is cornered, with pups, or appears sick or injured. Slowly back away.

What should you do if a coyote approaches you?

- Try to scare it away immediately. Don't stand and watch it.
- Shout, whistle, clap your hands, stomp your feet and make some loud noise.
- Wave your arms, widen your stance or wave a walking stick – anything to make you look bigger.
- Establish dominance: Take a step or lunge toward the coyote. Throw a rock or stick in its direction, but not directly at it.
- Pick up small dogs and children.
- Keep scaring the coyote until it's out of sight.
- Coyotes will protect their pups, so stay away from dens. If you suspect a den is nearby, slowly back away from the area.
- Share these solutions with neighbors so everyone works together.

Additional tips to avoid problems with coyotes include:

- Do not leave pet food outside. If you have to feed your pet outside only give them the amount of food they can eat in one sitting.
- Bring bird feeders inside at night and remove the seed that falls on the ground. Bird feeders attract squirrels, mice, raccoons and opossums, which in turn attracts coyotes. Don't hang any feeders when coyotes are in the area.
- Secure garbage containers and compost bins.
- Fence gardens and compost piles.
- Keep BBQ grills clean, including the grease trap.
- Supervise pets while they are in the yard as coyotes can climb over or dig beneath most fencing. Consider kenneling unattended dogs.
- Plug holes under fences and block access to crawlspaces under sheds, out buildings, porches and houses.
- Keep cats inside.
- Install motion-sensitive lighting around the house, or turn on outside lighting and check the yard for unwanted animals before letting a dog outside at night. Consider leashing your dog if coyotes are roaming the area. Clean up dog droppings, as they will attract coyotes.
- Walk your dog on a short, non-retractable leash that is highly visible; a coyote is less likely to attack a dog if they see it as part of you. Avoid walking your dog at the same time or on the same route every day, as coyotes learn patterns.
- Don't leave small children unattended. Show kids pictures of coyotes then instruct them to never approach a coyote or run from one. Children should also learn how to scare away coyotes.
- Do not let your dog chase or "play" with a coyote; the coyote will defend itself and your dog may be injured.
- Educate your neighbors about these guidelines. Keeping coyotes wild and wary of humans is a community effort. Go online to www.urbancoyotereseach.com to learn more.

From the desk of
Mayor Robert A. Arnold

2022 ELECTIONS

If you have watched any TV commercials, listened to the radio, or perhaps looked through your mail, you know that this year is an election year. There are elections at the city, county, state, and federal level. There are three important dates for this year's election. The first is May 17th which is the primary election.

The polls will be open from 6:00am – 6:00pm. The second is June 7th. If you are interested in running for office, Mayor or City Council, in the city of Wilder, June 7th is the filing deadline. To file to run for office in the city, you would need to pick up the necessary paperwork in County Clerk's office at 1098 Monmouth Street, Newport, KY. You can also get more election information at <https://campbellcountyclerkky.com/elections/>. The last important date is November 8th which is the general election day. As with the primary election, the polls in KY are open 6:00am – 6:00pm. One final resource for election information is the KY State Board of Elections website at <https://elect.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>.



EASTER EGG HUNT

In an attempt to return to normal, post-Covid, we are reviving our Easter Egg Hunt Program. The Date is Sunday April 10th at 12:30 pm at our City Center Park behind the City Building. After the Hunt, our fireman will be grilling hot dogs, so please stay and enjoy some fun and friendship with your neighbors.

Happy Easter to all.

Bob Arnold,

Mayor

