

WILDER EXCHANGE

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ISSUE

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CITY BUILDING 859-581-8884

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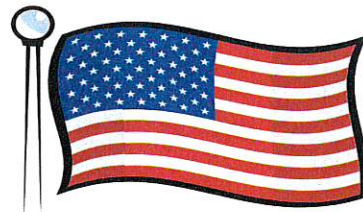
SANITATION 859-578-
DISTRICT 7450

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

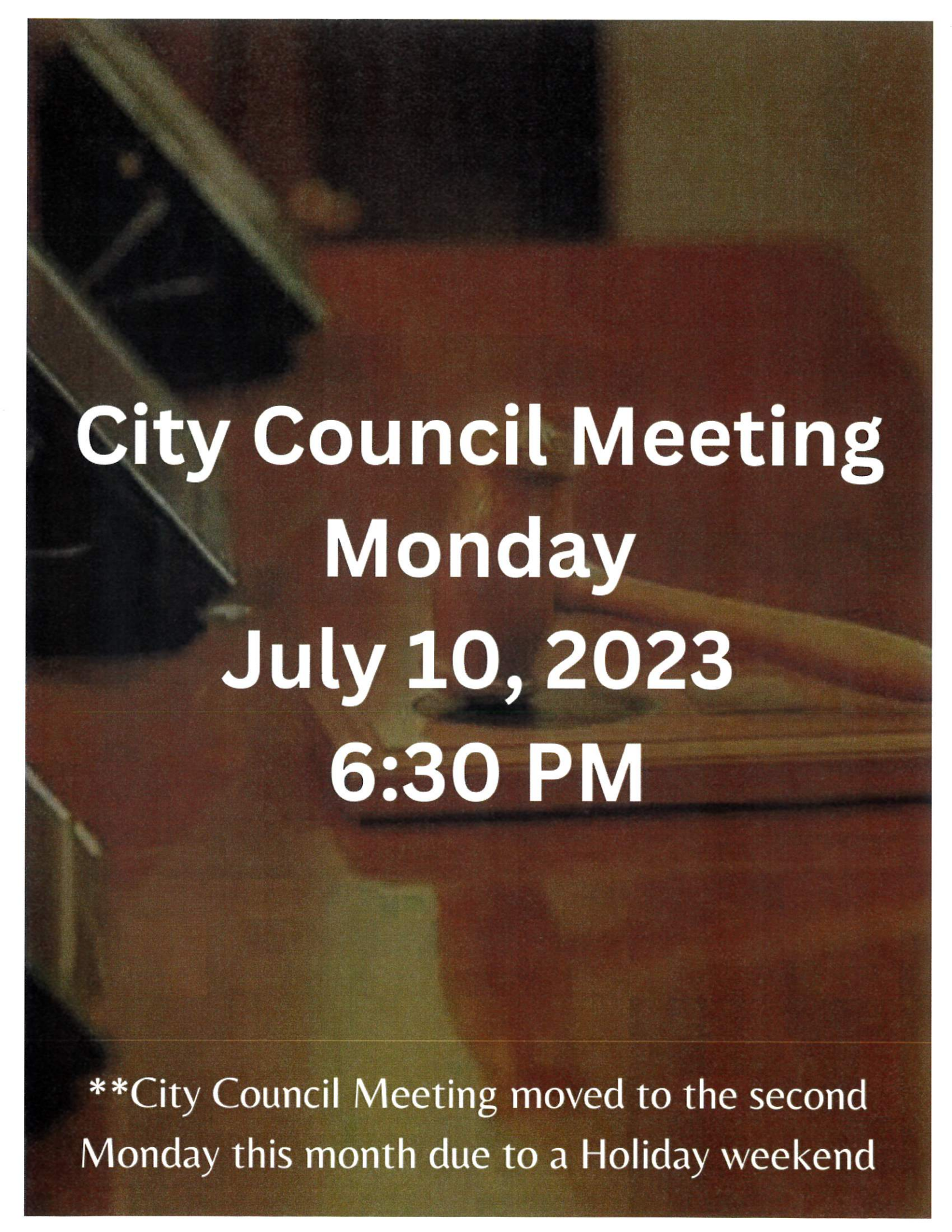
- ◆ City Council Meetings - 1st Monday of Every Month at 6:30 PM
City Council Meetings can be viewed on Spectrum channel 200, Altafiber channel 806 or www.campbellmedia.org
- ◆ Wilder Planning & Zoning - 4th Monday (as needed) at 7:00 PM
- ◆ Wilder Vol. Fire Dept. Drill - Every Monday at 7:30 PM

SPECIAL DATES

- July 4, 2023— City Building Closed
- July 5, 2023— Active Aging Exercise Hour
- July 7, 2023 -FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL
- July 10, 2023— Council Meeting 6:30PM *Meeting moved to second Monday due to Holiday
- July 19, 2023 — Active Aging Exercise Hour
- July 19, 2023— Hearing Health Seminar
- August 2, 2023— Active Aging Exercise Hour
- August 4, 2023— FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL
- August 12, 2023— Movie Night
- August 16, 2023— Active Aging Exercise Hour
- August 26, 2023— Touch-A-Truck



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



City Council Meeting
Monday
July 10, 2023
6:30 PM

****City Council Meeting moved to the second Monday this month due to a Holiday weekend**

ACTIVE AGING EXERCISE HOUR

July 5th & July 19th
August 2nd & August 16th
at the city building

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

All ages welcome

*bring a small towel and a bottle of water



*Friday, July 7th &
Friday, August 4th*

FIRST FRIDAY SHOP LOCAL

*See participating
Businesses below



Bambooz

Subway

Barleycorn's Brewhouse

Longnecks Sports Grill

Key Storage

Wilder Storage

*Terms and conditions on the following page

First Friday Shop Local Participating Businesses

Bambooz:

501C Licking Pike, Wilder KY 41071 phone# (859)261-7555

- Offering 10% off entire bill with proof of Wilder Residency.

Subway:

1412 Gloria Terrell Drive, Suite 1, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)360-2181

- Offering 10% off entire bill.
- Must let the Sandwich Artist know you are there for First Friday Shop Local.
- This deal can NOT be used with other offers, coupons or discounts.

Barleycorn's Brewhouse

402 Licking Pike, Wilder, KY 41071 phone# (859)291-2739

- Offering 15% off of items at their retail shop with proof of Wilder residency.

Longnecks Sports Grill

1009 Town Drive, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)291-5664

- Offering 15% off entire meal
- Alcoholic Beverages Excluded
- Must show proof of Wilder residency

Key Storage:

206 Vine Street, Wilder, KY 41071 phone# (859)757-0211

- New customers will be offered a \$50.00 discount for each of the first (2) months of their lease.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a written copy of the coupon offer at the time of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 7-31-2023.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.
- In order to qualify for this discount of two months, the first two months' rent must be paid in full at the time of rental.

Wilder Storage:

91 Banklick Road, Wilder, KY 41076 phone# (859)444-6688

- New customers will be offered a \$50.00 discount for the first month of their lease.
- In order to qualify for the discounts, the customer must bring in a written copy of the coupon offer at the time of rental OR show on phone.
- The offer will have an initial expiration date of 7-31-2023.
- The coupon can't be used with any other offers or discounts.

The City of Wilder is sponsoring a
Hearing Health Seminar partnered with
Acute Hearing Solutions on
July 19, 2023, at 1 PM

**This event is open to the public*



**HEARING HEALTH SOLUTIONS:
BETTER HEARING**

A FREE 30- 40 MINUTE
PRESENTATION ON WAYS TO TAKE
CARE OF YOUR HEARING, WAYS TO
SUPPORT YOUR HEARING, AND
ABOUT HEARING SCREENINGS.
AFTER THE SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS
CAN SIGN UP FOR A FREE HEARING
TEST TO ANYONE INTERESTED.



Movie Night

City of Wilder

CITY CENTER PARK

THE SUPER MARIO
BROS MOVIE

AUGUST 12, 2023

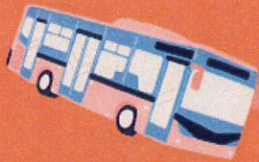
movie starts at dusk

**CITY OF WILDER'S
ANNUAL
TOUCH-A-TRUCK**

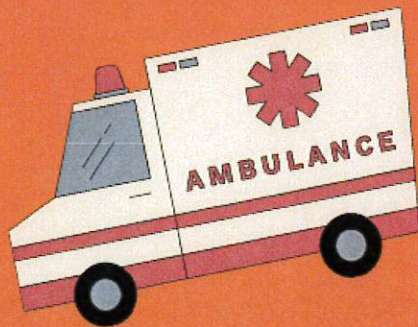


**AUGUST 26TH
4 PM-7 PM**

**LOCATED BEHIND THE CITY BUILDING
KIDS ALL AGES**



**CHILDREN (YOUNG AND OLD) CAN EXPERIENCE UP CLOSE THEIR FAVORITE TRUCKS AND EMERGENCY
VEHICLES!**





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.



Summer is fully upon us. Did you know that the city has 2 (two) landscape companies that offer a wide variety of landscape needs. Check them out for landscapes and hardscapes. Flowerbeds, retaining walls, stone pavers, fire pits, fire places, landscape lighting and much more.

- Davis Landscaping 859-781-0677
- Merkle Lawn Care Co. 859-781-8652



BRACO WINDOW CLEANING SERVICE INC.

SPOTLIGHT

Braco Window Cleaning Service Inc. has been in business for 67 years. Of those 67 years, 22 of them have been in Wilder. The business is family owned and operated. Two brothers, Ken and Mike Kreidenweis, and their cousin Keith Kreidenweis. Braco opened its doors in 1956 and has grown from five employees to forty employees today.

Braco Window Cleaning provides window cleaning for residential homes to commercial office buildings.

Braco is committed to the ongoing development and maintenance of a team of skilled technicians who are dedicated to client service while attending to the details of every job. Their commitment to safety provides for a work environment that reflects their devotion to their employees and their appreciation for their talents. The ongoing development of their people and their individual careers is foundational to ensuring that Braco Window Cleaning Services, Inc. is the premier window cleaning company in the Tri-State area.

Braco[®]

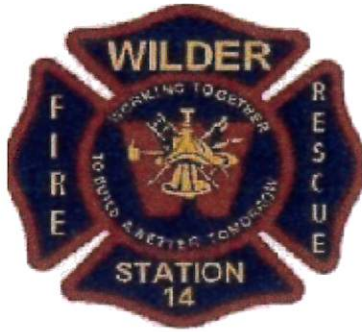
Window Cleaning Service Inc.

Commercial • Residential

**Commercial
and
Residential**

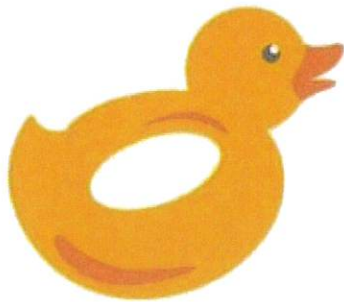
FUN TIDBIT ABOUT BRACO WINDOW CLEANING SERVICE

"We are a third-generation family-owned business. We have had 9 different families have multiple family members working for us over the years. We take pride in having the most experienced crew that can take care of all window cleaning needs" - Ken Kreidenweis



WILDER FIRE DEPARTMENT

SWIMMING SAFETY



TEACH THEM EARLY

Teach children to get comfortable in the water and swim at an early age and educate them early about water safety.

ACTIVE SUPERVISION, BARRIERS, AND SIGHTLINES

Always actively supervise children when they're both in and around the water; ensure that pools are secured with appropriate barriers; and require children to swim within designated areas that are within sight of guardians and certified lifeguards.

WHO'S YOUR BUDDY?

Never let children swim alone; always designate swimming buddies before visiting the beach or pool.

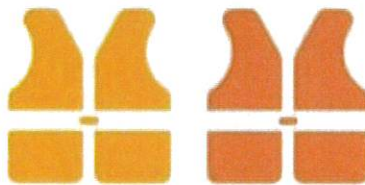


DON'T BE PUSHY

Instruct children to never run, push or jump on others in and around the pool.

WEAR SUNSCREEN

Protect your skin from sun burn and sunstroke by wearing hats and sunglasses and applying sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher and limiting direct exposure to sunlight for prolonged periods of time.



SUIT UP!

Make sure children always wear life jackets and use proper water safety and flotation devices.

I'M ON A BOAT!

Children should always wear a PFD (personal flotation device) while on a boat. If it doesn't fit, get one that does.

GET CERTIFIED

Become certified in infant and child First Aid and CPR.



STAY HYDRATED

Ensure that kids drink plenty of fluids to stay properly hydrated, especially on hot days.

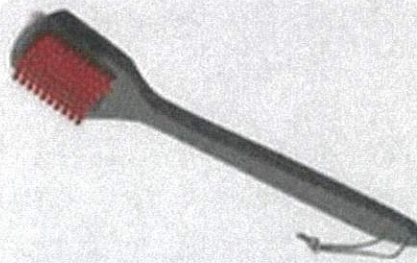


Grilling Fire Safety

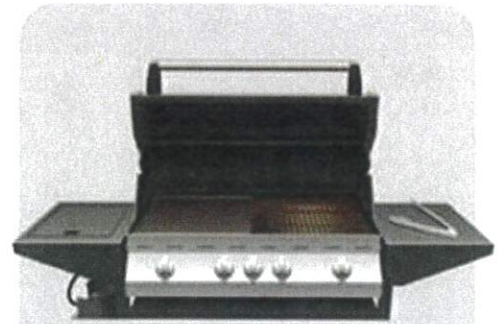
Stay fire safe this summer! Follow these grilling safety tips.



Only use your grill outside. Keep it at least 3 feet from siding, deck rails and eaves.



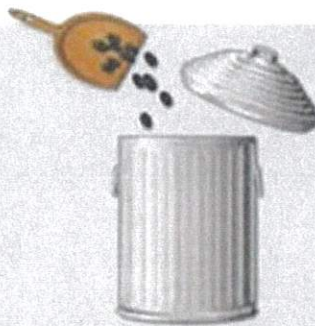
Clean your grill after each use. This will remove grease that can start a fire.



Open your gas grill before lighting.



Keep a 3-foot safe zone around your grill. This will keep kids and pets safe.



Place the coals from your grill in a metal can with a lid once they have cooled.



Keep an eye on your grill, fire pit or patio torches. Don't walk away from them when they are lit.

Stay fire safe this summer!

For more information and resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov.



Fireworks Safety

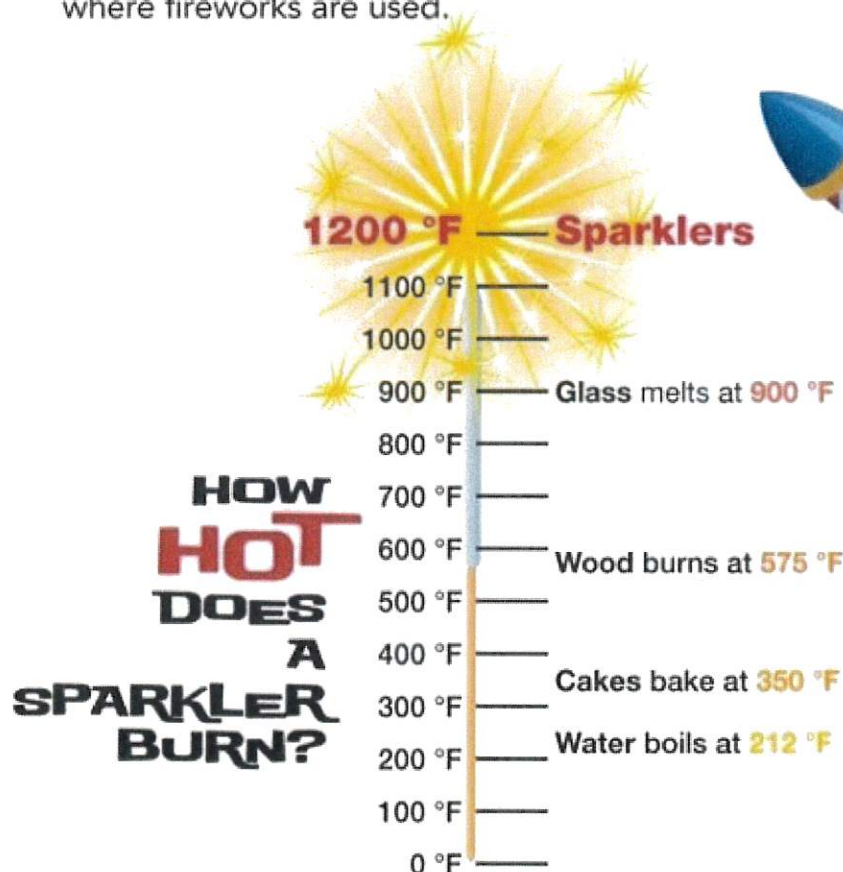
Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. However, they are not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of burns and eye injuries each year. People can enjoy fireworks safely if they follow a few simple safety tips:

BE CAREFUL!

- » Be safe. If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts.
- » Do not use consumer fireworks.
- » Keep a close eye on children at events where fireworks are used.

CONSUMER FIREWORKS

NFPA is opposed to consumer use of fireworks. This includes sparklers and firecrackers. Even sparklers burn hot enough to cause third-degree burns.



FACTS

- ! In 2011, almost 18,000 fires were caused by fireworks.
- ! Sparklers cause 16% of fireworks injuries.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169





WILDER FIRE/RESCUE

522 LICKING PIKE • WILDER, KENTUCKY 41071

PHONE 859-431-5884 • FAX 859-581-0823



FIRE CHIEF DOUG NEYMAN

A note for our citizens...

In years past we have had members of our community represent the fire department going door to door selling discount cards. It has been a huge success contributing to purchasing non-budgeted items that the fire house and firefighters need to operate. Due to the pandemic the fundraiser was halted out of safety and consideration for our citizens. This year the fundraiser is coming back and will begin shortly.

In the next coming weeks, there will be people out in the city representing the Fire Department selling discount cards to various establishments in the area. We can assure you that this is a legitimate fundraiser for the department. All proceeds raised go to the benefit of the members of the fire department in purchasing new equipment.

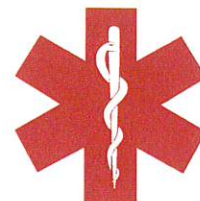
Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact either station at 859-431-5884 or you can email Chief Neyman at dneyman@wilderky.gov



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FIRE CHIEF DOUG NEYMAN

Wilder Fire Department Employee Spotlight

Lieutenant Ryan Boothe

Ryan was born and raised in Fort Thomas Ky and graduated from Highlands High School.

Ryan currently lives in Southgate where he is raising his 2 sons, Jace who is 7 and Caden who is 5.

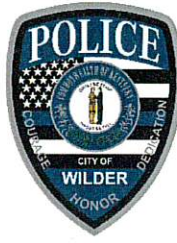
Lieutenant Boothe started as an explorer in 2003 and was hired Part-Time in 2006, wanting to follow in his father's footsteps as a Firefighter. In 2010 Ryan became a certified Kentucky Paramedic and was then hired Fulltime in 2011. One of Ryans main roles is overseeing our EMS making sure that both Medic units have the supplies they need to operate and ensuring that all our fulltime and part-time staff have current and up to date continuing education. Ryan is also currently on the Campbell County Fire Investigation Unit which serves all of Campbell County. In 2013 Ryan was promoted to Lieutenant and he continues to be a great asset to the city and the Fire Department.

When Ryan isn't working, he loves to spend time with his two sons, whether taking to them to IHOP, the Zoo or hiking.

Lieutenant Boothe is a valuable asset to the Wilder Fire Department and his dedication to the City and the Citizens of Wilder is appreciated.

Doug Neyman

Fire Chief



Wilder Police Officer Spotlight

This newsletter I would like to spotlight two additional Wilder Police team members.

Officer TJ Selby

I was born in Columbus, Ohio and moved to Kentucky in 1994. I am married to Natalie Selby who recently retired as Lieutenant from the Alexandria, Kentucky Police Department and have two daughters. I began my law enforcement career in 1998 with the Northern Kentucky University Police Department and retired from the Newport, Kentucky Police Department in 2020.

I have been employed with the Wilder Police Department since May, 2023 as a patrolman. I have had a very rewarding career as a police officer, having the opportunity to hold many different responsibilities including: Sergeant, Field Training Officer, Motorcycle Officer and SWAT Operator to name a few. I am blessed to have been given an opportunity to work for your Wilder Police Department and look forward to working with and meeting as many Wilder residents as I can.

Officer Ryan Wielgus

I was born in Chicago, IL. My family moved to Burlington, when I was three. I grew up in the Burlington area and graduated from Conner High School. During my youth, I was involved in the Boy Scout troop 805 and obtained the rank of Eagle Scout. I attended automotive technical school in Pennsylvania and moved to Lexington where I worked as an auto mechanic for 10 years. I enlisted in the Kentucky National Guard in 2012 as a petroleum supply specialist and completed my contract as a Sergeant.

I met my wife while I was living in Lexington and after my military contract was over, we moved to Europe for a short time before returning to Northern Kentucky. I enjoy mountain biking and road cycling in my free time.

My career with Policing started with Covington before transitioning to Wilder Police in May, 2023. I continuously strive to improve myself and my knowledge as a person and a professional so that I may better serve the community of Wilder and the residents of Northern Kentucky.

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– THIS INCLUDES CHEWED BUBBLE GUM
- NO FOOD OR DRINKS ALLOWED IN SPLASH PAD AREA OR PLAYGROUND SURFACE
- NO PETS ALLOWED
- 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, MAINTENANCE OR OTHER OPERATIONAL CONCERNS
- NO SAND OR MULCH TO BE BROUGHT INTO SPLASH PAD AREA
- NO POP-UP TENTS, CANOPIES, OR PORTABLE CHAIRS IN SPLASH PAD AREA OR PLAYGROUND SURFACE
- NO SMOKING
- PROFANITY WILL NOT BE TOLERATED
- NO SKATEBOARDS
- NO WATERBALLOONS
- NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL

From the desk of City Clerk/Treasurer

Please call the city building if you have questions or concerns about anything going on in the city. We try to get as much information to you via E-mail, Newsletter or Facebook. If you leave a message on Facebook there is no guarantee it will be seen or answered. Also we only have 1 (one) social media platform, which is on Facebook and can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/cityofwilderky> or The City of Wilder, Kentucky. Information on other pages or platforms may unintentionally pass along misinformation pertaining to the city.

Thank you,
Juanita Schultz, City Clerk

Dear Wilder Residents,

At this point in my tenure, I wanted to share that status of several goals I had for the community & how, with the help of Wilder's experienced staff, they have materialized. In my attempt for brevity, I have aligned them with the categories initially set forth in my campaign letter to you.

KEEP TAXES LOW / ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / SMART-RESPONSIBLE GROWTH

- Castellini -180 new Wilder jobs – Worked with the county - increase in gross receipts & payroll taxes.
- Fischer – The 2021 P&Z / City approved development of 238 units has commenced where the city will receive **100% of the tax revenue associated with the community.**
- Business Meeting – Update on city projects, annual report & the I-275 / Licking Pike study conducted by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.
- Shop Local First Friday – well underway – 6 retail businesses offering an incentive to Wilder residents and/or the community first Friday of every month. Be mindful to patronize a local Wilder business.
- Fiscally responsible & balanced budget prepared for council with no increase in the tax rate.
- New businesses: Red Hawk, NKOL, SAFY, L&W Outfitters, Linde Gas & Equipment, Wilder Liquor, Commonwealth Tent Rentals.

SAFETY & FIRST RESPONDERS

- With growing concern over the increase in life threatening incidents, approved the advance purchase of rifle proof vests for the police department.
- The new Fire Quint is on order. This truck will replace the 26 year old Fire Engine known as a pumper. With a lead time of 33-36 months, ordering this pumper had to be a priority.
- While on council last year, I fought for a retention agreement for the fire personnel. I certainly understood the pressure to address police & supported it without question. But parity with police & fire as it pertained to retention value was important to me. As mayor, I made this a priority in the next fiscal budget. I'm happy to report a similar, multi-year retention agreement has been written, funded & signed by the full-time firefighters.
- It's difficult to forecast salaries over multiple years. No one can predict the economic climate, CPI or COLA. During the budget review with Chief Martin, it became apparent that an increase higher than previously negotiated by the department was needed so the officers didn't fall behind the pay scales. Their agreements were amended to a pay raise consistent with the city staff. All officers signed the amendment and were grateful for the salary increase.

TRANSPARENCY

- My Mayor Facebook page is constantly updated with information important to the community. For example: agendas are published early with topic specificity; detailed updates provided on activities important to you; posted the exciting news on Castellini's latest business venture citing the city's collaborative effort with the county on this economic victory for Wilder.
- Early notice given to the residents on Elm – Center – North street of the Barleycorn Brewhouse parking lot expansion project so no one was blind-sided by the construction.

- An update on & history behind the Fischer 2021 approved development disseminated & posted to keep the community apprised.
- The Annual Report will be ready for publishing once the city's accountant closes the books.
- Public Service Announcements published on Road Closures, Rumpke issues and other matters all intended to keep you advised.
- Council is very informed. I provided multiple memos with complete transparency on the budget prepared for their approval. Timely release of the capital budget. And, advance notice is given on ordinances & resolutions prepared for their approval.
- Roads needing repair have been identified. Once the scope of work is defined, it will go to bid.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR ALL

- Created & launched the Active Aging Classes – all ages – promote a healthy community & increase exposure for a valued Wilder business.
- Created “Celebrate City Government / MUNICIPALS” – June 20 – opportunity for our youth to learn about the roles of our staff and what it takes to make Wilder a great place to live, work, play and visit.
- Worked with local musicians to offer the upcoming Music Fest (with the return of Bluegrass & Bobby Mackey) - September 16
- Have scheduled the traditional events our community has come to love & enjoy: Touch-a-Truck, Flag raising, Movie Night, Great Pumpkin Hunt, Turkey Raffle, Snowman Hunt, Christmas Tree Lighting and Breakfast with Santa. Past events organized & offered for all: Family Day/Petting Zoo, Easter Egg Hunt.
- What's new besides the Petting Zoo and Active Aging, organized with experts a Hearing Health Seminar with free hearing test scheduled July 19; Medicare Seminar scheduled October 4; Working with Police Chief Martin and Ft. Wright Mayor Hatter on an Artificial Intelligence Seminar and how to protect yourself from the risk of fraudulent activity – September-date will be provided soon.
- Two new Pickle Ball courts – work to commence in July – estimated completion September.

OTHER

- Met with Senator Frommeyer who will be our advocate in prioritizing two state road projects & lobbying for support & funding. More to come.
- Beautification projects have commenced with the upgraded landscaping around City Hall and at each city entry point. Stone walls have been repaired and flowers planted.

The city has other economic development opportunities on the horizon including the old Gold Star location, city-owned properties and the Neyer business park. Stay tuned.

Your friend and mayor,

Valerie