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# Kingsley Courier

*Spring, 2019*

## Ordinance # 1, Series 2019

### An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing the City Ordinances Concerning the Imposition of Fees on Companies Who issue Certain Insurance Policies in The City.

A summary of this Ordinance was prepared by the City Attorney and is enclosed in this newsletter. The entire Ordinance can be found on the City website ([cityofkingsley.org](http://cityofkingsley.org)).

This Ordinance was developed when Louisville Metro Mayor Fischer announced his proposal to increase revenue to Louisville by increasing the Local Government Premium Tax rate (LGPT) on certain types of insurance, beginning with the upcoming fiscal year effective July 1, 2019 and the next three fiscal years of his tenure.

Currently both Kingsley (plus the majority of the home rule cities) and Louisville have the same 5% level of insurance premium tax rate.

The majority of the home rule cities in Louisville passed ordinances to increase their LGPT to match Metro's rate increase, anticipating some form of Mayor Fischer's revenue LGPT proposal might be passed by the Metro Council.

If Kingsley did not pass an ordinance and Metro were to raise the tax rate, Kingsley residents would still have to pay the increased rate, but any money above our current 5% rate would go to Louisville Metro.

With Kingsley's new ordinance, if Metro does vote to increase their LGPT, then all of the revenue would stay within Kingsley and be used for the benefit of Kingsley residents.



### Easter Egg Hunt

We will join Strathmoor Village and celebrate Spring with an Easter Egg Hunt in the Kingsley Park Saturday, April 20th at 1PM. Come bring your little ones and enjoy some time outside with the Easter Bunny!

## Who Ya Gonna Call? (Part I)

Louisville Metro Police Department is the City of Kingsley's primary security provider. Additionally, the City of Kingsley contracts for supplemental police protection with a company owned and operated by Louisville Metro Police Officer Lt. Alejandro Cabrera. The company is Neighborhood Security and Asset Protection (NSAP). Off-duty Louisville Metro Police officers in Louisville Metro Police cars will patrol throughout Kingsley. Traffic issues will be addressed on all Kingsley roadways.

**Please report all incidents to the police even if no damage or property is taken. Louisville Metro allocates resources throughout the City based on these reports.**

### IF A POLICE OFFICER IS NEEDED:

In an emergency - CALL 911. In a non-emergency - CALL 574 - 2111, option 5. This is the Fifth District LMPD Dispatcher. They are required to send out an officer. The LMPD dispatcher will send an available officer.

## Who Ya Gonna Call? (Part II)

Preferably not our City Attorney, please!

The City Attorney is under contract to provide legal advice to the City Officials, complete Legal Actions for the City and attend the monthly City Meeting. The City Attorney does not handle conflict resolutions between neighbors. An individual who calls the attorney is "on the billing clock" and is increasing the City's legal bill. If a resident has a concern they think the attorney should address, the resident should contact one of the City Officials and request to be placed on the agenda to speak at the upcoming Commissioner's meeting. Time limits per speaker are established as between 3 to 5 minutes and the individual is obligated to adhere to "Robert's Rules" of behavior during the meeting.

### Your Elected City Officials

**Mayor:** Rebecca Beld .....502-452-6478  
**Commissioners:**  
Cindy Landry (Trash collection, other Special Events)502-479-3531  
Lesia Ferguson (Picnic, sidewalks) .....502-681-5570  
George Burns (Streets, street signs) .....206-225-1532  
Beryl Ward (Public Info, Landscaping, Snow Removal): 502-552-2555  
When calling be sure to unblock your caller ID.

### Other Contacts



**City Clerk:**Mari-

lyn Whisler 502-262-2760  
**Treasurer:** Tom Schlindwein .....502-548-1834  
**Tree Board:** Phyl Breuer .....502-452-2515  
Susan Melcher.....502-459-0802

### Kingsley Calendar

All City Council & Tree Board meetings are held in the Mainsource Bank, 2735 Bardstown Road, unless noted otherwise.

April 4 City meeting, 7:00pm  
Tree Board meets at 6:00  
April 20 Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 pm  
May 2 City meeting, 7:00pm  
Tree Board meets at 6:00  
June 6 City meeting, 7:00pm  
Tree Board meets at 6:00  
July 4 (tentative) City meeting, 7:00pm  
Tree Board meets at 6:00

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### “Dangerous Intersection” Road Signs

You may have noticed the yellow and black “Dangerous Intersection” signs that have been placed at the intersections of Gladstone and Taylorsville Road and at Kings Highway and Taylorsville Road. They were installed in an attempt to remind people to be cautious when turning on to Taylorsville Road because that is one busy road! Even if drivers are going the speed limit, it can make for a nasty accident when someone pulls out and joins the crowd on Taylorsville Road. Drivers who turn on to Taylorsville Road need to carefully check the road and not turn unless it is clear of oncoming traffic and safe to pull out. The utility poles can also interfere with your line of vision, and on garbage day the waste cans further narrow your line of vision, so be careful and stay safe!

### Water, Water, Water

The five-way intersection (Kings Hwy, Gladstone Ave, and Montrose Ave) has major issues with drainage and standing water. Another intersection (Montrose Ave and Tyler Ave) also experiences major drainage and standing water issues. MSD representatives have met with us several times to discuss these issues and short term/long term solutions. At the March 7th City Meeting, they reported short term solutions involve cleaning and flushing out the lines on a regular maintenance schedule, which hopefully will start this summer. Long term solutions will involve replacing the undersized pipes and bubblehead drains to carry off the surface water. In addition to being undersized, the lines are terra cotta, and possibly broken, which doesn’t help with directing flow. Lines in Kingsley flow to lines on Lancashire Ave to Hawthorne Elementary. Other lines flow over to the City of Wellington. The MSD Engineer said he will not know what his budget will be until April 2019 for the upcoming fiscal year, so we haven’t been given any time estimates to enlarge and/or replace drain lines. In addition to the intersections with major drainage and standing water issues other points along each street were identified and sent via email to MSD.

### Sidewalks, Easements and Drains

While we’re on the subject of drainage.....Louisville Metro Ordinances specify homeowners are responsible for repairing and maintaining the sidewalks and easements abutting their property. Leaves, mud/dirt, gravel, tree buds, tree nuts are to be removed, bagged and put out for yard waste. Ice and snow are to be shoveled and cleared. Water should not be draining from sump pumps, disconnected downspouts or any other source onto the sidewalk or easement. Debris needs to be routinely cleaned from the drains in the easements to prevent them from becoming clogged and creating even more drainage problems. Thank you for helping keep the drains clean and your sidewalks clear and safe.

### Special Projects

Have you noticed we cut off some edges on our sidewalks last fall, reducing the trip hazards? In fiscal year beginning July 1,2019 Kingsley will be doing Phase II of the ADA trip hazard compliance action. Precision Concrete Cutting (PCC) will return and remove the edges of the last group of concrete squares to be leveled using their patented method. Based upon the sidewalk survey completed by PCC and by a walkaround completed by Lesa Ferguson (Commissioner) a bid spec will be prepared and published for replacement squares and concrete curbing. The squares to be replaced will be marked with orange paint, so you’ll be seeing that soon on your evening walk.

An agreement has been signed with an engineering firm to develop a traffic island design at the five-way intersection with connectivity to the Kingsley Park. After the design and surveys and applicable coordination a bid spec will be prepared. The traffic island would reduce the amount of asphalt paving which produces heat and insert a landscaped area that would help to absorb some water instead of contributing to water runoff. Additionally, it would serve to improve the appearance of the city for anyone entering Kingsley via Gladstone, and improve traffic movement.

### Give ‘em Some Room!

Officer Ward from NSAP reported recently there have been accidents including the death of an officer from drivers not yielding to emergency vehicles. We all get focused on getting from Point A to Point B, but don’t forget, State law requires drivers to yield the right of way to any vehicle displaying a flashing red or blue light or sounding a siren. When you become aware of the approach of a such a vehicle, immediately drive to the right side of the road or curb, clear of any intersection, stop, and remain stopped until the emergency vehicle has passed, unless you are directed by a police officer or fireman to move.

When approaching police or other emergency vehicle stopped on the side of the roadway, approach slowly and move to the left lane on a four-lane highway, if it is safe to do so. On a two-lane highway, approach slowly and pass with caution.

Also use caution around school buses with flashing yellow lights and extended warning gates so we keep our little ones safe too!

## CITY OF KINGSLEY, KENTUCKY

### ORDINANCE # 1, SERIES 2019

#### SUMMARY

This ordinance repeals and replaces all ordinances concerning the imposition of fees on companies who issue certain policies of insurances in the City. The ordinance imposes a license fee on all insurance companies doing business in the city. The initial rate of the fee is 5% of the premium. In addition to the base fee, an additional license fee is imposed on insurance companies equal to the amount by which the credit for City LGPT is allowable under Kentucky Law against the Louisville Metro LGPT, in excess of the Base fee. The Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption and publication.

#### Sign Ordinance — A Reminder

Ordinance #10, Series 1993 allows no signs of any kind within the boundaries of any City owned properties, including City right of ways, with the exception of the standard real estate “For Sale” sign placed in the easement directly in front of the property to be sold. No other signage is allowed.

City Property includes the front and side easements, traffic islands and Kingsley Park. Along Taylorsville Road, the section between the road or curb and the edge of the sidewalk is the Kentucky State Right of Way and State Law prohibits the placement of any signs there.

#### Parking Ordinance — A Reminder

Ordinance #3, Series 2013 regulates parking in the City of Kingsley and provides penalties for violating them. The regulations cover such topics as:

1. A vehicle is considered “abandoned” when left in one location on public property for a continuous period of 72 hours;
2. Leaving an unattended vehicle running, with the key or fob in the car;
3. Leaving a vehicle at any place on a public road where a traffic control sign prohibits parking;
4. Parking a vehicle for the principal purpose of displaying such vehicle for sale or displaying advertising;
5. Parking any part of the vehicle on any part of the easement, or on the sidewalk, or the yard;
6. Parking on an undeveloped lot;
7. Parking in a Fire Lane;
8. Parking against the flow of traffic;
9. Parking in the alley behind 2702-2720 Taylorsville Lane.

All of the above are prohibited and carry fines. There are more prohibitions not listed in this article. Please ensure you inform all people who will be working at your home AND any guests who may be visiting. The majority of the prohibitions are based upon ensuring the safety of others and protecting the property of both residents and the City. Most driveways will accommodate the vehicles of all of those who live at that property. For pedestrian’s safety it is important for them to have clear visual lines of oncoming traffic when crossing roadways and walking on the sidewalks. Louisville Metro parking ordinances also have additional restrictions, such as if parking on the street you should not be parked within four feet of a driveway opening.