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Spring/Summer 2023

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Important Phone Numbers

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865-986-2715/865-986-7915

Lenoir City Police Department

865-986-2005

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865-986-2310

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865-986-1223

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865-986-8058

Lenoir City Planning Office

865-986-2715

Lenoir City Library

865-986-3210

The Venue at Lenoir City

865-986-8340

Loudon County Economic Development Agency

www.loudoncountypeda.org

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865-458-2067

Visit Loudon County

865-986-6822

From the Desk of the Mayor

It is my pleasure to touch base with you once again in this edition of Lenoir City News.

We are currently beginning budget preparations for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year. We will be maintaining our commitment to the citizens of Lenoir City of no tax increase for this year, while maintaining our services to you at an exceptional level.

As you have probably already noticed, the traffic signalization improvement project is now completed. This project provided upgraded timing to all signals on Broadway from G Street to the intersection of Highway 11/Highway 321 and then from that intersection to the I-75 Interchange. This encompasses nearly 20 signals that are now upgraded with fiber optic technology to synchronize the traffic signalization system. Phase II of this project will begin soon with adding the next steps to improve upon our signalization system. Additionally, the much-needed traffic signal to be placed on Highway 321 at the intersection of Elm Hill Drive and City Park Drive is still moving forward. As you know, this is a Federal/State Funded project, and we are at their mercy for scheduling. They are planning to bid this project out later this year. The City strongly, and without ceasing, pushed for this traffic signal due to safety concerns regarding navigating that intersection. The reason for the continued upgrades to our infrastructure is that we want to encourage positive growth of our City, and we are committed to planting the seeds of our future.



In February, I had the pleasure to represent the City and City Council in donating \$10,000 to the Lenoir City High School Band for their much-needed uniforms, which will serve band members for years to come (picture on page 5). Additionally, in March, I had the distinct honor of presenting a Proclamation to the 2023 Kerbela Shriners

Poster Child (picture on page 5). This year's Poster Child is Skylar Ravo. Skylar was born with club feet and was unable to walk until he began working with Shriners Hospital. Now, he is able to walk and is full of energy! He thoroughly enjoys doing Elvis Presley impersonations, and he has such a fun personality. Shriners Hospital for Children has been serving children for over 100 years! The Shriners Children's is a network of non-profit medical facilities across North America. Children with many different orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for care and receive all services regardless of the patients' ability to pay. This organization has positively changed the lives of so many children across the nation, making it possible for these children and families to enjoy life the way that most of us take for granted. The hospital is primarily funded by donations from others, and one of the primary fundraisers is the Shrine Paper Sale that will be held later this Spring. Please give generously to help kids like Skylar! Also, a big 'thank you' to the Loudon County Shrine Club for making this possible.

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Parks & Recreation Department



Lenoir City Central Park Splashpad will be opening Mid-May!

SPECIAL EVENTS

Movies in the Park

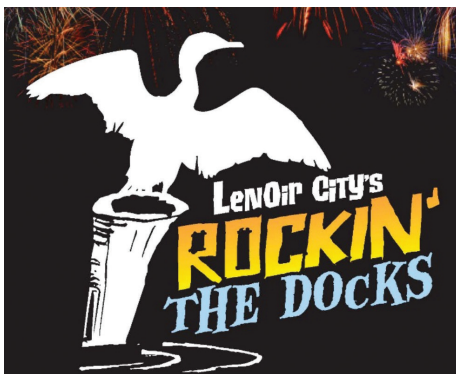
Our Movies in the Park series offers a free, outdoor movie night each month beginning in May and running through September. This season's movie themes include family, children and comedies. Pack some snacks, grab a blanket or chair, and come watch a movie with us! Movies begin at dusk. Lenoir City Park- Movies to be announced on the Monday the week of the show.

May 19th; June 16th; July 21st; Aug 18th; Sept 15th

Rockin' the Docks

Rockin' the Docks will again bring live music and fireworks to the Lenoir City Park/Cove area on Memorial Day and July 4th weekends. Live music begins at 5 p.m. and will continue until the Fireworks Show at 10 p.m. There will be plenty of entertainment, food, and one of the largest fireworks show in East Tennessee. Lenoir City Park

May 27, 2023 and July 1, 2023



Festival of Friends

An event designed to provide public awareness of the disabled communities in the area as well as a fun opportunity to get the family out for festive activities. Activities include: music, food, and water skiing. The Patricia Neal Innovative Recreation Cooperative will host a water ski venue for the day. Festival of Friends is hosted by the Lenoir City Pilot Club and the Lenoir City Parks and Recreation Department. Lenoir City Park – Shelters 1, 4 and 7 (right side of the park) Saturday, June 17, 2023 11 a.m.-4 p.m.



Independence Day Parade

Lenoir City's annual holiday parade will begin again with our children's Firecracker Run. This is a half-mile fun run for children ages 5-12. The run is free and the first 100 children receive a free event t-shirt. Every runner receives a participation award. Top prizes will be given to the first place boy and girl from each division. Participants for the parade or race can register by calling the Lenoir City Parks and Recreation Department at 865-986-1223. Broadway – "C" Street to South Grand

Zack Cusick, Director
zcusick@lenoircitytn.gov

Katey Bartlett, Admin. Assistant
kbartlett@lenoircitytn.gov

Office Location:
530 Hwy. 321 N, Suite 301
Lenoir City, TN 37771
Phone: 865-986-1223

Office Hours:
M - F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Facebook: @lcparksandrecreation

Shelter Reservations:
Call 986-1223 or
visit lenoircitytn.gov

Street. Tuesday, July 4th, 2023

Line-up at 10 a.m. at intersection of Industrial Blvd and South "C" Street
Race Check-In at 10 a.m. at Roane State Parking Lot; Parade/Race at 11 a.m.



Touch A Truck

Lenoir City Parks and Recreation welcomes all kids to come get an up close look at all the cool dump trucks, backhoes, buses, bucket trucks, police cars, fire trucks, wreckers and a helicopter! There will also be food trucks, live music and inflatables! Lenoir City City Park Saturday, August 5th, 2023 10 a.m.-2 p.m.



Cool Down in Downtown

“Cool Down in Downtown” is an old school block party with Food Trucks that will help you “cool down” (ice cream, sno cones, drinks). We will also have live music and inflatables for the kids. Come enjoy a night downtown and help cool off your summer! Downtown Lenoir City Thursday, August 10, 2023 – 6:30-8 p.m.

ATHLETICS

Summer Tennis Camp

Saturday mornings
 June 3rd through July 29th
 Age groups: 4 - 7 and 8 - 13. Cost is \$20.00
 Lenoir City Park
 Instructor: Daphne Moore
 Call Parks and Recreation to register



Fall Youth Baseball Sign-ups

Coach pitch and kid pitch baseball available for boys and girls ages 4–13.
 Registration: begins July 3rd Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Online registration at <http://clubs.blue-sombbrero.com/lenoircityparksrec>
 Evaluations are August 4th
 Lenoir City Parks and Recreation Office (530 Hwy 321 North.)
 \$40 per person or \$75 per family



AQUATICS

Summer Pool Season

The Claire Donahue Aquatic Center opens Saturday, May 27, 2023. For more information about the pool, please contact us at 865-986-1223 or www.lenoircitytn.gov

Open Swim:

Monday - Friday from 12 to 5 p.m.
 Saturdays from 12 to 6 p.m.
 Sundays from 1:00 to 6 p.m.
 Open swim is closing weekdays on July 28th, 2023
 Open swim is weekends only through August 27th, 2023

Daily Fees:

3 and under	Free
Ages 4-17	\$3.00
Adults	\$4.00

Swim Passes:

Student Pass	\$50.00
Adult Pass	\$75.00
Family Pass (5)	\$150.00

Private Parties:

Every night during the summer!
 Mondays through Thursdays – 7 to 9 p.m.
 Fridays through Sundays – 6 to 8 p.m. or 8 to 10 p.m.
 \$150.00 (price includes 2 lifeguards)
 Call starting April 1st, 2023 to book your party

Water Aerobics:

Monday through Thursday: 6-7 p.m.
 Water Aerobics \$3 per session or season passes available
 Lap Swimming \$3 per session or season passes available

American Red Cross Swim Lessons

American Red Cross swim classes will be available in June and July. Classes will be offered for all ability levels during each session. Call starting April 1st to sign up. All children MUST be entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2022 to enroll, except for our Parent/Tot lesson.

The cost is \$40 per session (1-9) and \$20 for session 10-11, (Parent/Tot)

1	June 5-15	9:45-10:30 a.m.
2	June 5-15	10:45-11:30 a.m.
3	June 5-15	5:15-6 p.m.
4	June 19-29	9:45-10:30 a.m.
5	June 19-29	10:45-11:30 a.m.
6	June 19-29	5:15-6 p.m.
7	July 10-20	9:45-10:30 a.m.
8	July 10-20	10:45-11:30 a.m.
9	July 10-20	5:15-6 p.m.

Parent/Tot Lessons

(Ages 18 months-4 years)

10	June 19-22	6-6:30 p.m.
11	July 10-13	6-6:30 p.m. ■

Lenoir City Fire Department

Richard Martin, Fire Chief
Phone: 986-2310

Lenoir City Fire Department Fire Safety Message

Lenoir City Fire Department would like to encourage our citizens and community to be informed and practice fire safety and education. In this article we will focus on residential apartments or condominiums and smoke alarm education.

People who live in an apartment or condominium need to know how to get out quickly if a fire starts. Share these messages with your families and community about how to prepare and escape if a fire starts.

Building fire safety

- Do not prop open exit or stairway doors. These are installed to slow the spread of heat and smoke if there is a fire.
- Speak to your apartment manager if you see a damaged smoke alarm, fire extinguisher or an emergency light that has burned out.
- Make sure your apartment has working smoke alarms. Have a smoke alarm inside each sleeping room. Test them every month. Replace the batteries every year. Tell your apartment manager if you think there is a problem with one of your smoke alarms.

Be prepared.

- Create an escape plan. Discuss how you will get outside. Practice your plan.
- Count the number of doors there are between your apartment and the nearest fire exit. Memorize the number in case you must find the exit in the dark.
- Know where all the exit doors and stairs are on your floor.
- Learn your building evacuation plan if you have one. Create and practice an escape plan for your own apartment.

In the event of a fire, stay calm.

- Move to the exit as you have practiced. Call the fire department once you are outside.
- If your door feels warm to the touch, do not attempt to open it. Call 911 and tell the dispatcher your apartment number and that you cannot open your door.
- Stuff the cracks around the door with towels, rags, bedding, or tape. Cover vents.
- Wait at a window and signal for help with a flashlight or by waving a white cloth.

- If your apartment door is cool to the touch, open it slowly. Stay low and check for smoke or fire in the hallway. If the hallway is safe, follow your building's evacuation plan.
- Never use an elevator to escape a fire. Always use the stairs.

Wait outside for the fire department.

- Once you are outside, move away from the building. Give firefighters and fire trucks plenty of space.
- Stay outside. Do not go back inside for any reason.
- If you think someone is still inside, tell firefighters where you think they are.
- Wait until firefighters tell you it is safe to go back inside.

Smoke Alarm Questions

What types of smoke alarms can I buy?

There are many brands of smoke alarms on the market, but they fall under two basic types: ionization and photoelectric. Ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms detect distinct types of fires. Since no one can predict what type of fire might start in their home, the USFA recommends that every home and place where people sleep have:

- Both ionization AND photoelectric smoke alarms. OR
- Dual sensor smoke alarms, which contain both ionization and photoelectric smoke sensors.

Choose interconnected smoke alarms, so when one sounds, they all sound.

There are also alarms for people with hearing loss. These alarms may have strobe lights that flash and/or vibrate to alert those who are unable to hear standard smoke alarms when they sound.

Where do I put smoke alarms in my home?

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Put smoke alarms inside and outside each bedroom and sleeping area. Put alarms on every level of the home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Place smoke alarms on the ceiling or high on the wall. Check the manufacturer's instructions for the best place for your alarm.
- Only qualified electricians should install

hardwired smoke alarms.

How do I take care of my smoke alarm?

Is your smoke alarm still working? A smoke alarm with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no smoke alarm at all. A smoke alarm only works when it is properly installed and regularly tested. Take care of your smoke alarms according to the manufacturer's instructions. Below are some general maintenance tips.

Smoke alarm powered by a nine-volt battery.

- Test the alarm monthly.
- Replace the batteries at least once every year.
- Replace the entire smoke alarm every 10 years.

Smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium (or "long-life") battery.

- Test the alarm monthly.
- Since you cannot (and should not) replace the lithium battery, replace the entire smoke alarm according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Smoke alarm that is hardwired into your home's electrical system.

- Test the alarm monthly.
- Replace the backup battery at least once every year.
- Replace the entire smoke alarm every 10 years.

The Lenoir City Fire Department participates in the "Get Alarmed, Tennessee" smoke alarm program, which is a grant-funded fire safety smoke alarm program administered by the State Fire Marshall's Office (SFMO).

Situational Awareness

Situational awareness is important to everyone – it is important that everyone is aware of their surroundings and the potential hazards they face.

It is important that everyone is looking out for his or her own safety as well as looking out for their family, friends, and co-workers.

Even the most experienced people can lack situational awareness – especially when doing tasks that have become routine!

Please be safe and have a blessed new year! ■

Reference material: TN State Fire Marshal Office and United States Fire Administration

Desk of the Mayor from page 1

For many years, the Lenoir City Police and Fire Departments have completed many hours of training outside the County as a result of not having the appropriate facilities to train inside the City, often leaving the City under-protected in the event of an emergency. I am happy to report that City Council and I have been able to secure property located off Nelson Street, and we are

going to have a State of the Art training facility (plans shown on bottom left). With regard to the land, I want to express my sincerest appreciation to the Foothills Land Conservancy, as well as its Executive Director, Bill Clabough. I want to thank the Lenoir City Public Safety Director, Don White, for his assistance with this important project that will serve to better train our employees and to serve the citizens of Lenoir City for many years to come. I am currently working with

Loudon City Mayor, Jeff Harris; members of Loudon City Council; the 2nd District County Commissioners; and Sheriff Jimmy Davis to offer their City Police Officers, County Deputies, and all the area Firefighters the use of this training center in return for their financial support (photos below). I know it will be an asset to all of Loudon County if it comes to reality. Construction is estimated to begin this year. As I have always said, "We all

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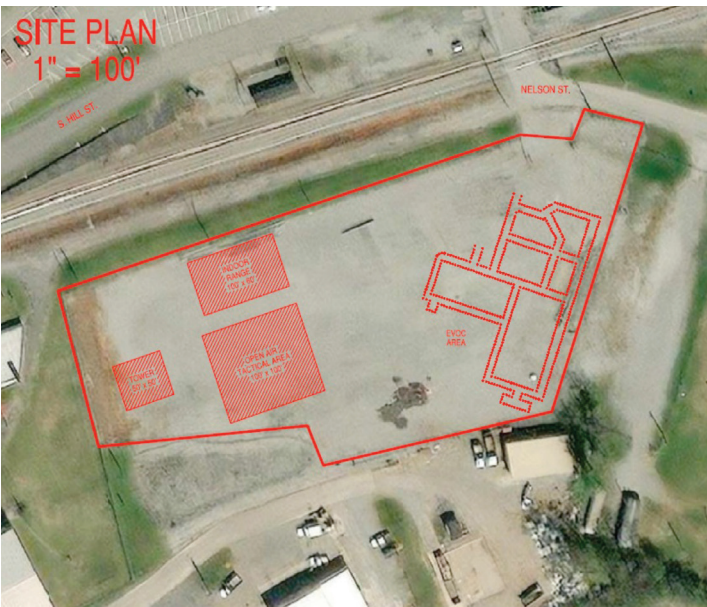
Above: Mayor Aikens presents \$10,000 donation for LCHS Band uniforms.



Right: Mayor Aikens with Skylar Ravo, 2023 Shriners' Poster Child.



Site visit to property of future Public Safety Training Facility. Pictured above (left to right): Loudon County Sheriff Jimmy Davis; Don White, Lenoir City Public Safety Director; William Jenkins, County Commissioner; Rosemary Hines Quillen, County Commissioner; Loudon City Mayor Jeff Harris; Mike Henline, Lenoir City Councilman; Lenoir City Mayor Tony R. Aikens; Amber Scott Kelso, Lenoir City Administrator; and LaVonne Barbour, Lenoir City Executive Assistant



Above: Site visit to property of future Public Safety Training Facility. Pictured (left to right): Loudon City Mayor Jeff Harris; Mike Henline, Lenoir City Councilman; Lenoir City Mayor Tony R. Aikens; Don White, Lenoir City Public Safety Director; Rosemary Hines Quillen, Loudon County Commissioner; Amber Scott Kelso, Lenoir City Administrator; William Jenkins, Loudon County Commissioner; LaVonne Barbour, Lenoir City Executive Assistant; and Loudon County Sheriff Jimmy Davis
Left: Site of future Public Safety Training Facility property.

Desk of the Mayor from page 5

are better and stronger when we work together as one.”

I am also proud to report that our Court system continues to serve the public and victims more efficiently. I want to express my sincerest thanks to the District Attorney General, Russell Johnson, for furnishing a prosecutor and our Judge, Gregory H. Harrison, for helping to make this possible.

In this newsletter, you will notice a survey (below) for the purpose of gauging your interest in the City building a Community Recreation Center and your willingness to support a small local sales tax increase of 0.75% that would allow this to become a reality (the current local sales tax rate is 2% and with this new increase for the Community

Recreation Center, it would be 2.75%). The Community Recreation Center, to be located on land that we already own, would include basketball courts, indoor track, pickleball, volleyball, and multi-purpose rooms for community classes. We would also have the opportunity to host tournaments. Our community is growing with wonderful families, and we want to see what you think about serving our families with this addition. I, along with members of City Council, believe that a local sales tax increase is a fair tax because everyone, including visitors to our City, pay their part. Our neighboring city, Loudon, passed a similar tax increase years ago for their Parks and Recreation Department Facilities, as well. We feel like in doing so, we would have a successful Community Recreation Center for our citizens to enjoy for many years to come.

Please see the survey (below) in this newsletter with instructions on how to return it, or you may scan the QR code with your mobile device to take the survey showing your support for funding the Community Recreation Center. The deadline for submitting your responses is June 1, 2023.



The efforts and dedication of our team to our community are second to none – with one goal in mind – service to our citizens.

I am honored to serve as your Mayor! My greatest passion is this community and its people. If I may do anything for you, please do not hesitate to contact me at 865-986-2715. ■

Survey for Support for Funding a Community Recreation Center in Lenoir City

1. Would you be in support of a 0.75% Local Sales Tax Increase, going from 2% to 2.75%, for the purpose of building a Community Recreation Center?

YES

NO

2. How many children under the age of 18 do you have in your household?

Please cut out and return this survey by June 1, 2023 to the following:
Amber Scott Kelso, City Administrator
530 Highway 321 North
Lenoir City, TN 37771

Or use the QR Code above to complete the survey online.

The Venue at Lenoir City: 2022 Milestones Summary

Continuing its role as an economic engine for Lenoir City, The Venue at Lenoir City experienced a record number of events and revenue in 2022 and is already on track to surpass both in 2023.

There was a total of 130 events with 25,879 guests held in 2022, generating \$545,978 of direct revenue to The Venue. Between \$1.1 million and \$1.6 million of indirect revenue is estimated to have been generated for other Lenoir City businesses resulting from Venue-hosted events. Indirect revenue benefits local restaurants and caterers, hotels, retail establishments, gas stations, attractions, and event-related vendors, among others.

Additionally, The Venue actively refers inquiries to other Lenoir City event venues. This happens because The Venue is unable to accommodate a group on their selected date, pricing might be out of a prospective client's desired range, the group size is very small, or the nature of the event is a better fit for other venues (young children's birthday parties, etc.). Among the Lenoir

MARKET	AVG. REVENUE PER EVENT	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ANNUAL EVENT REVENUE	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ANNUAL GUESTS
Non-Profit/Educ/Gov't/Assoc	\$3,185	38%	56%
Private/Social	\$8,529	31%	23%
Corporate/Business	\$5,721	31%	21%

City partner venues most frequently referred are Southern Bell Events, Calhoun's at the Marina, Sno-Biz, the Memorial Building, and Fairfield & Hampton Inns. Referring to other local venues keeps potential revenue in Lenoir City, in the event The Venue cannot be booked.

Non-Profit, educational, governmental, and association clients are offered our lowest rental rates. Such events include ORNL/UT-Battelle & TVA meetings & events, hospital events, high school proms & sports banquets, charity fundraisers, church events, economic development banquets, expos, and non-profit association conferences, among others.

On the other hand, private and social events demand our highest rates, due to their involved nature. Such events include wedding ceremonies & receptions,

quinceañeras and other birthday celebrations, and anniversary parties & larger showers. Approximately 20 of last year's private events were cultural in nature, as word continues to spread about our outstanding outcomes in this specialty.

Corporate and business events are extended our "standard" rates. Such events include meetings, trainings, conferences, trade shows & hiring events, corporate banquets, stakeholder gatherings, and company celebrations, to name a few.

Just over two months into 2023, in excess of \$532,000 in events were already booked. All indications are that this number will only increase, continuing to benefit Lenoir City as a whole. For more information about The Venue at Lenoir City, visit www.VenueLC.com, email info@VenueLC.com, or phone 865-816-2015. ■

Lenoir City Stormwater

Lenoir City Stormwater Department will be having a stream clean up day in May and September this year. Individuals interested in helping with the clean can follow us on our website, <http://www.lenoircitytn.gov/welcome/city-departments/code-enforcement/storm-water/> or our Facebook page LC Stormwater, individuals may also contact Greg Buckner at 865-986-9876. The Stormwater Department would like to remind you to take care in keeping grass trimmings out of the street, these trimmings can enter the storm system hindering the waters flow. If you have questions or concerns you may contact the Lenoir Stormwater Manager, Greg Buckner at City Hall or email gbuckner@lenoircitytn.gov. ■

Lenoir City Judge

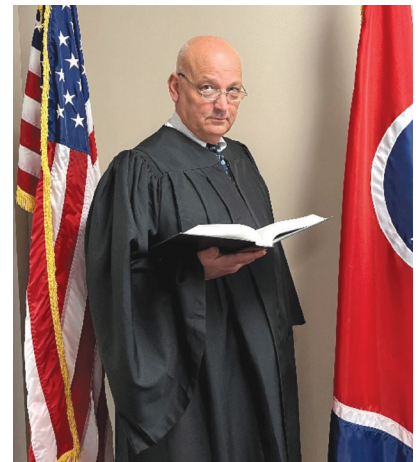
First of all, I want to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Lenoir City for allowing me to be your Judge. I truly love the City of Lenoir City and the County of Loudon and am committed to do the best job possible for the next eight years. It is your confidence in me which drives me to be the best for all of Loudon County.

Now, after approximately seven months on the bench, I write to advise that the court system in our town is in great shape and only getting better. We continue to grow with the addition of DUI cases as our officers are actively pursuing violators of the law so that our citizens remain safe.

Moreover, our court staff remains committed to assisting the public while ensuring that our court system is running without hesitation. Without the work of these exemplary employees, I could not begin to fathom a successful situation.

Also, and with the addition of more cases, our revenues with regard to collecting fines and court costs are more than ever. As a result, our City is more readily able to utilize the fees collected to better our community.

Again, I feel more than blessed to serve as your Judge. Should you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at City Hall, and I, or a member of the staff, will be more than happy to assist you in any way possible. Thank you, once again. ■



Lenoir City Judge, Gregory H. Harrison

Lenoir City Police Department



Hello Spring! I always think of change and growth when we move from winter to spring. One of the greatest gifts I have experienced throughout my tenure with Lenoir City Police Department has been witnessing that change and growth. As many of you may know, in 2022 our agency was awarded funding through the Department of Justice, COPS office, to hire 3 new officers. This was the first significant addition of officers since becoming Chief of Police. One of the primary objectives of the grant was to hire officers and train them specifically to deal with mental health and drug related issues. Our critical incident response team or “CIRT” as they are commonly known, has been training throughout 2022 and the early part of 2023.

Each of these new officers underwent a 40 hour training program through the McNabb Center in Knoxville. The training provided tools and information for officers to use as they encounter people who may be in need of mental health treatment, rather than incarceration. The training also provided connections and resources to join our officers and mental health professionals and other community agencies that

work as a team, ultimately providing help to those in need. Officers learned verbal de-escalation skills to deal with those in crisis as well. They underwent experience-based training to deal with persons they encounter who may be experiencing a mental health crisis.

The lack of mental health facilities, coupled with drug addiction in our area, has created challenges for first responder and emergency service personnel. We believed that partnering within our community could provide far reaching benefits. Captain David Flynn and Lt. Jeremy Dishner organized several meetings involving Dr. Geibig and Administration of Fort Loudon Medical Center, Helen Ross McNabb and Frontier Health representatives, the National Alliance on Mental Health, 9th Judicial District Attorney’s Office, The Prevention Alliance, Align 9, Loudon County Sheriff’s Office, Loudon City Police & Fire Departments, and Priority Ambulance. To date, three meetings have been conducted to discuss the expansion and development of resources in Loudon County. This concerted effort

has resulted in sharing of information and resources regarding available programs locally, while we work to develop a plan of action to mitigate the mental health issues within our City. We believe this collaboration will support a unified approach to mental health and drug addiction within our City and County.

It is our goal and one of our many training objectives to certify each patrol officer to be crisis intervention certified. As we already have 3 officers trained, filling roles on each shift in this CIT capacity, we are realizing benefits as we encounter those who need assistance. I feel certain that our on-going training and leadership on this critical topic will have long lasting effects, proving beneficial to Lenoir City and Loudon County for years to come. For those who may have questions or would like additional information on mental health you can contact our office or find related information about mental illness on the National Alliance on Mental Illness’ webpage, www.nami.org. ■

Lenoir City Finance & Court Offices

Happy Spring to all the citizens of Lenoir City! This spring has been very productive around the Lenoir City Finance Office and Municipal/Session Court Office. We have been involved in our continuing education programs which allow us to interact with other members of surrounding cities and communities throughout Tennessee.

Below are some important dates that you may need to know about in the future.

Property Tax Information:

2021 Property Tax: April 1, 2023 – We will turn over our 2021 to the Loudon County Clerk and Master’s Office.

2022 Property Tax: March 1, 2023 – Taxes became delinquent and a penalty of 1.5% will be added each month until paid.

Tax Relief: April 1, 2023 – Anyone wanting to apply for tax relief that qualify may do so until this date.

Court Information:

Lenoir City Municipal/Session Court is held every Tuesday, Wednesday night, and Thursday.

DUI Court will be on the Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month.

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James Wilburn III – City Recorder/
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Amanda Smith – Judicial Commissioner
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Sabrina Long – Judicial Commissioner
(865) 635-0006
slong@lenoircitytn.gov ■

Lenoir City Public Works Department

Contact Information:

J.J. Cox, Street Superintendent, Phone: 865-986-2715

Our department is moving into the busy Spring and Summer season! We have already begun our litter collection, mowing, and weed eating. Please be vigilant for our crews as they are working in and around the rights-of-way of the City. Soon, you will notice that our annual paving and resurfacing projects, including milling and striping, will be underway on several streets and back alleys. Additionally, our crews will be engaging in various street and pothole repairs, as well as repairing and replacing damaged signage. Also, as the crews serve the route for brush collection, please remember to have all the cut ends of limbs in a pile and placed toward the roadway/street for collection.

As a reminder, we have had recent issues with loose household garbage around trash cans, and some residential areas where there are no garbage cans being used. Please remember to place all garbage in bags and in an approved garbage can. If it is not placed in a bag and in a garbage can, animals are able to get into it and scatter the garbage all over the streets. Our department, then, must rake it and clean it up. Please be mindful of this as you put your household garbage out to be collected.

Finally, we want to request your assistance in watching for people that may be hauling garbage and debris into our City from outside the City limits and dumping brush and garbage on the roadsides and alleyways. If you see this activity taking place, please call City Hall at 865-986-2715.

Are you cleaning out a house or property in the City and in need of a truck in which to load the debris? Please call 865-986-2715 to request a truck to be brought for your convenience. A "tipping fee" will also be associated with this service - depending on the size/weight of the load. Additionally, if you become aware of potholes, signage, or other roadway issues, please contact J.J. Cox.

Please look at the included Household Garbage Collection Schedule for information on when garbage will be collected in your area. Once again, please keep in mind that it is your responsibility to ensure the area around your garbage receptacle/dumpster is free from trash and other debris. If you have any questions or comments to share, please contact J.J. Cox at 865-986-2715. ■

Lenoir City Public Library

Summer fun at Lenoir City Public Library!

Summer Reading Programs for all ages will be running June and July! Kids can earn free treats from Panda Express and Freddy's restaurants. Adults can enter a drawing for a chance to win an Amazon Kindle and other prizes!

Join our Summer Reading Storytime every Friday in July at 10:00 a.m. We are welcoming back the miniature horses and dinky donkeys from STAR on July 28th for our grand finale! Your summer is booked at LCPL!

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Garbage Collection Schedule - Spring 2023

MONDAY:

Pick-up from D Street West to E, F, G, H, I, J, K, M, N, and Q Streets; both sides of West Broadway from D Street to O Street; West 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Avenues; Crestwood Hills Subdivision; and Chestnut Ridge Subdivision off Harrison Road; Villas at Harrison Glen Halls Ferry Road; Harper Village

TUESDAY:

Pick-up from North D Street going West to North C, B, A Streets, and East side of Kingston and Hill Streets; East 1st; East 2nd; East 3rd Avenues; West 5th Avenue; Pine Ridge Apartments; Pinewood Condominiums. Pick-up on Simpson Road; Twin Lakes Drive; Pinetop Street; Highland Park Drive; Pearl Drive; all of Harmony Heights sub-division; Sharp Estates; Carrington Subdivision; Myers Road; Tom Lee Road; Town Creek Road West; Allenbrook Subdivision.

WEDNESDAY:

Pick-up on Rock Springs Road; 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th Avenues and West Side of Kingston Street. Pick-up on A, B, C, D, E, F, and G Streets. Pick-up on Oakland Avenue; Coffey Circle; and Browder Hollow Road from Highway 11 to Finley Drive. Pick-up on Mincey Street and all of 10th Avenue. Pick-up on West Hills Drive; Emerald Court; Oak Hills Subdivision; Visitor's Center; and Jan Way.

THURSDAY:

Pick-up on Johnson Drive from Finley Drive to West Hills Drive including Johnson Circle. Pick-up on Tracy Lane and Frances Drive. Pick-up on Church Drive and all dead ends off Church Drive. Pick-up in Hamilton Subdivision; Ivy Avenue; Candlerook Drive; Ash Avenue; and Rogers Circle. Pick-up on Harrison Road; Harrison Woods; Norwood Drive; Harrison Avenue; and Reeves Street. Pick-up on Wilson Street; Kirk Avenue; Harrison Glen Subdivision; Acadia Villas; Kennedy Drive; Coley Lane; and Heape Road, and Waters Edge Way.

FRIDAY:

Pick-up on Nelson Street; Depot Street; Rear-side of town; and Bussell Ferry Road. Pick-up on Lee Drive; Hillcrest; Executive Meadows; Green Meadows Lane; Happy Hollow Road; Ashmore Subdivision; Poplar Street; Pike Street; Locust Street; Bon Street; and Maple Street. Pick-up on Bell Avenue; North and South Cherry Street; North and South Walnut Street. Pick-up on 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Avenues off Highway 321; North and South Oak Street. Pick-up on Highland Circle; Hall Street; and Simpson Road (behind Bimbo's Convenience Store).



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Department of Codes Enforcement & Planning

The department continuously observes properties within the city so that we may address code violations. The three biggest violations are: litter and debris on properties, overgrown properties, and junk vehicles on properties. When properties are in violation it can be hurtful to neighboring property. Homeowners can enhance these efforts by addressing their properties regarding yard and structure maintenance.

Yards should be free of litter and debris, so they are not unsightly or unsanitary. One way to help with this is to properly contain your household garbage. Garbage should be bagged and placed in receptacles with a secure lid. A secured lid will help deter rodents and other animals from being able to access the garbage. Sometimes after the garbage is emptied by the garbage trucks, loose debris will be scattered also. It is your responsibility to make sure that you do not have loose debris on and around your

property. A little effort will help our city look its best.

As mowing season begins, please be mindful of how you mow your property. Mowing towards the inside of the property allows the grass clippings to fall inward and not out onto the street. This allows the spring rains to flow properly into the city's storm drains. If grass clippings and other debris are blown into the street, they will be washed into the city's storm drains which can clog up the system and cause flooding issues. Properties are required to be maintained free from weeds and grass growth more than twelve (12) inches. As the spring and summer months come upon us this can sometimes be a challenge, but it is important to stay on top of the growth.

Junk vehicles can be defined as a vehicle with flat or missing tires, extensive body damage, partially or totally disassembled, without proper tags, not drivable, being used as storage, lying

on the ground, sitting on blocks, among others. If a vehicle meets this definition, it should be either completely enclosed within a structure or removed from the property.

The department is committed to addressing violations in a timely manner and hopes that all citizens will take pride in their property and continue their efforts in making our city the best it can be. If you see something that you would like us to investigate, please do not hesitate to call or email the office. All complaints and concerns are anonymous.

Please call the Department of Codes Enforcement and Planning with any issues or questions at Lenoir City Hall at 865-986-9876; or email Rondel Branam, Building Official/Codes Enforcement Officer/ADA Coordinator at rbranam@lenoircitytn.gov; or Beth Collins, City Planner/Office Manager at bcollins@lenoircitytn.gov. ■