

## BUTTERMILK PIKE PROJECT TIMELINE:

The Water District has completed its work. There was a hold up with approval from the state for the environmental application. The good news is that the project received the environmental approval at the end of August. Buttermilk Pike replacement will begin in the spring of 2019 and run through September 2019. The \$796,000 replacement of Buttermilk Pike is possible with the help of a \$345,000 Federal Grant. The project also includes \$247,000 storm water project to improve drainage and SD1 will contribute 50% of that project. Major disruptions are expected to take place during all phases of the street replacement. Watch for signs for closures and detours. Also, please follow posted speed limit signs on the roads being used for detours. Traffic enforcement will be stepped up on cut through streets for safety.

Road projects always result in inconveniences, some minor, some major. This is unavoidable. There will be dirt, noise, tar, debris, limited parking, and temporarily blocked driveways. There may be equipment and materials placed in front of your home. Sometimes, materials used in the project require curing and/or cool down periods when work cannot be performed and vehicles cannot drive on what appears to be finished roadwork. Please do not drive on any areas that are coned or taped off. Contractors typically work on other projects while waiting for materials to cure and/or cool down, so they may not work in your area every day. Wet weather will also delay the contractor as they wait for the ground to dry. Everyone involved wants the project completed as quickly as possible. The City respectfully requests your patience and understanding while the project is underway.

In order to get the lowest bid price for taxpayers, the contractor has determined the best means, method, and schedule to complete the project at the contract price. This means that you cannot request the contractor to stop work, change equipment, or reschedule their work around events you may have planned. These requests from residents increase costs, delay the project, and could lead to breach of contract claims against the city. If you have concerns about the project, contact the Public Works Director, Derick "Buck" Yelton, at 859-578-4136 or via email at [dyelton@villahillsky.org](mailto:dyelton@villahillsky.org). He is the point of contact between you and the contractor.

### Have a student looking for service hours?

The Villa Hills Events & Beautification Committee needs assistance for several upcoming events. Contact Mary Koenig for more information.

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### Major Projects completed

- Replace Valley Trails from Niewahner to Dalewood
- Brookville and Palomino panel replacements
- Orchard Subdivision (curb repair and overlay Winesap, Damson, Pear Tree, and Macintosh; replace Appleblossom)
- Decorative Street Sign program
- Villa Drive Overlay and curb replacement
- Wingate Replacement
- Rosewood Bulkhead Project
- Squire Valley subdivision Panel replacements
- (New) Sunglow & Thirs concrete repairs
- Various drainage projects (ice/slime outlet issues)
- Mill and Overlay Projects:

*Lillian, Kingston, Summe, Boulder, Linden Hill, Stevens, Antelope, Timberline (repair), Cecelia, (old) Sunglow, Palomino, Wesley, Meadowview, Steamboat, Huckfinn, Pointe, Riverwatch, Woodhaven, Prospect Point, Deerfield, Lauren, Vera Cruz, Surfside, Dry Creek, Mary, Frank, Sierra (repair), Armella*

<b>Villa Hills Road Spending: Jan. 2015 through June 2018</b>	
KMA	\$ 408,910
Payroll, Insurance, Sticker fee & Surplus	\$ 895,474
Road Tax	\$ 931,019
Road Lease	\$ 748,029
<b>Total completed</b>	<b>\$ 2,983,432</b>
Remaining 10 Year Road Plan projects this Fiscal Year (18/19)	\$ 1,617,400
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED ROAD SPENDING JAN 2015 - JUN 2019</b>	<b>\$ 4,600,832</b>



### CITY WEBSITE PROVIDES TRANSPARENCY

Visit [www.villahillsky.org](http://www.villahillsky.org) to find the latest information about the city, including:

- Monthly finance statements & prior year audits
- Crime mapping and alerts
- Meeting minutes
- Updated city code & new ordinances
- Sign up for snow emergency alerts and e-newsletters
- View ball field schedules
- Upcoming events & more

### Villa Hills City Officials

719 Rogers Rd., Villa Hills, KY 41017

Mayor Irvin T. "Butch" Callery

#### Councilmembers

George Bruns      Scott Ringo  
Gregory Kilburn    Jennifer Vaden  
Mary Koenig        Gary Waugaman

#### City Administrator/Clerk

Craig T. Bohman

#### Chief of Police

Bryan Allen

#### Public Works Director

Derick "Buck" Yelton

E-mail links are on the city website. Click on the elected official or staff name to send them an e-mail.

Sign up for e-mail alerts for snow emergencies, upcoming events, and e-newsletters from the city at: [www.villahillsky.org](http://www.villahillsky.org)

# Newsletter FALL 2018

## A Note from Mayor Irvin T. "Butch" Callery

Citizens of Villa Hills,

It has been another busy year in Villa Hills! We have completed \$1,230,000 in road work over the past year. The final phase of the decorative street signs and poles will be installed this year.

We held two well attended events for the public and our school children who live in the area. One was our Shadow Night, with students from River Ridge, and Villa Madonna. The students participated in the April council meeting. The other was Safety Night conducted by Villa Hills Police Department, which included a helicopter, trained police dogs, and SWAT team.

I want to thank all of our Council Members for their support and our staff in the Police, Public Works and Administration for all the hard work they do day in and day out in their service for the people of Villa Hills.

Please contact the City Building if you need assistance with any issues.

*Mayor "Butch" Callery*

### Frequently Requested Numbers & Contacts

Emergency Dispatch:	911
Dispatch non-emergency:	356-3191
Police Department:	341-3535
City Administration:	341-1515
Mayor Butch Callery:	341-1515
Fire Department:	341-3840
Code Enforcement:	331-8980
Building/Zoning/Permits:	331-8980
Animal Control:	356-3191
Sewer/Sanitation:	578-7450
Water Department:	578-9898
Rumpke (garbage/recycle pick-up):	1-877-786-7537

### Did you know Villa Hills has a Rental Registry?

The Rental License and Safety Inspection Program shall apply to all Rental Units, including rooms or portions of houses that are offered to the public for occupancy including Bed and Breakfasts and rooms offered on social media platforms such as AirBNB.

Please call the City office if your property is a rental and you have not already completed the registry application for this year.



# POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



The Villa Hills Police Department has undergone some changes this summer. We have added 6 new officers to our staff. The addition of the officers is in response to the addition of Crescent Springs to our patrol responsibilities. The cities of Villa Hills and Crescent Springs have entered into a contract for police services. The City of Villa Hills will provide these services at a cost to Crescent Springs. We have also added a School Resource Officer to River Ridge Elementary. This partnership with the City of Villa Hills and the Kenton County School Board will allow an officer to be stationed at the school while school is in session. This initiative has been a great hit with staff, parents, and students.

In October two of our officers will graduate the Police Academy. These officers will have completed 23 weeks of training and should be ready for solo patrol around the first of December. In December we will be sending our second female officer to the Academy. She should be graduating the academy around the end of April. With the addition of this officer the Villa Hills Police department will have two female officers on staff, a first in our history. We continue to bring in talented individuals to better our department. Our goal is to serve our community the very best we can.

The Police Department will begin to offer Rape Aggression Defense classes (RAD) in the near future. Please be on the lookout for information on the class and to sign up. This information will be shared on the City's website and the Police Department Facebook Page. The department is also looking into the purchase of a dual purpose Canine. The dog will be used as a tool to help us eradicate drugs from our communities.

The Police Department will continue to work on areas of concern. We are preparing for the fall season as people go on vacation and the shopping season begins. We encourage everyone to be on the lookout for scams and to make sure they secure their packages. We also want to remind everyone to not give out personal information or credit information to anyone. If you are not sure do not do it. Scammers will be working overtime to get information from you. No law enforcement agency will ever contact you and ask for your information or to settle a warrant over the phone. When expecting package deliveries, have someone you know keep a look out and secure your packages, if you are not home. Do not hesitate to contact the police if you see something suspicious. When shopping secure purses and wallets. Do not leave anything in the vehicle in plain sight. Put items in the trunk and always secure the vehicle. Please be on the lookout for scary individuals on Halloween Night. Remember to be extra careful as our young ghouls and goblins take to the streets in search of sweet treats.

Finally please ensure you have these numbers handy.  
Emergency dial 911  
Non-Emergency- 859-356-3191  
Police Administration for questions -859-341-3535

## REMINDERS:

**School buses:** when the red lights are flashing and stop sign is out, it is a mandatory stop on all roads in Villa Hills. Drive carefully and watch for officers directing traffic in school zones, and drive the speed limit. Watch for children during the mornings and afternoons at bus pick up locations and throughout the neighborhoods. Speed Limits will be strictly enforced.

**Halloween:** It will be here soon - Please use caution when driving during trick or treat hours, as children sometimes forget to look before running in the roads. Trick or Treat will be on October 31, 2018 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

## CITY TAX BILLS

Tax Bills are out. If you have an escrow account with your mortgage company, it is your responsibility to forward the bill to them. Tax bills can be paid at the City Building during office hours, at Heritage Bank in Crescent Springs, sent in the mail to the lockbox (P.O. Box), or it may be dropped off in the drop box at the City Building.

## NEW THIS YEAR - CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS!

We are working on it, but the system will not be ready to accept payments until November 1st. If it is available sooner, we will send emails, post on our website and on the City's Facebook page.

The contract for trash and recycling was put out for bid this year, with only one bid received. A new 4-year contract was signed with Rumpke. While the new contract fee is higher than the previous rate, it is in line with what other local communities pay.

Tax payments received on or after December 1, 2018 will have 15% penalty added.

**Postmark will be accepted.**

## EMPLOYEE NEWS

### Retirements:

Receptionist **Becky Crutcher** retired on January 12, 2018, after 4 years of service. Public Works Team Leader **Scott "Scratchy" Smith** retired on June 30, 2018, after 22 years of service.

### Promotions:

**Corey Schalk** was promoted to Public Works Crew Leader after Scott Smith's retirement.

### New Hires:

Receptionist **Anna Bailey** joined the Administration office in October 2017.

**Matt Loschiavo** joined the Public Works Department in June 2018.

Police Clerk **Kim Johnson** joined the City in February 2018

The Following were hired between May and June of 2018 as full-time police officers:

**Officer Pat Noll**

**Officer Brian DeWaine**

**Officer Thomas Bradford**

**Officer Emily Horseman**

**Officer Pat Collura** who will serve as the School Resource Officer at River Ridge Elementary

**Officers John Karl and Jacob Bolton** are currently attending the Police Academy

## SANCTUARY DEVELOPMENT

Progress continues on the new Sanctuary Village Development. Ashely Commercial Group conducted an archeological survey at the request of the Army Corps of Engineers. With that complete, it is expected that the Corps will issue its permit within the next month or so.

The Kenton County Fiscal Court and the Planning and Development Services Council joined with the City of Villa Hills to create a Tax Increment Financing district (TIF) on the 85 acre development site. The TIF requires each agency to put in a portion of the property taxes collected from the new development. This agreement will generate over \$4.5 million dollars over 30 years. The needed traffic improvements are estimated at \$1.3 million. No current resident will pay for these traffic improvements.

Villa Hills entered into an agreement with the Transportation Cabinet to begin the needed traffic improvements, starting with the intersection of Collins and Buttermilk. Work on that intersection should begin later this fall.

A lawsuit seeking to overturn the zone change for the development is currently working its way through the court system.

The new mixed use development is slated to have 190 single family homes, 74 cottages (landominiums), 35 townhomes, 187 multi-family units, and two commercial buildings with retail, office and studios. At full build-out the development is estimated to generate \$700,000 per year in revenue to the city, including \$100,000 per year in road tax money that can be used to repair streets throughout the city.