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The Honorable Neil Ramsey  
Mayor of Anchorage



January 2021



## The Anchorage Civic Club Presents the ANNUAL WINTER CELEBRATION & TOWN HALL MEETING

Sunday, January 31, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
at Owl Creek Country Club

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic this year, the Civic Club cancelled the annual Winter Bowl cooking competition. Instead, the Civic Club invites everyone to celebrate this wonderful community event around a bonfire at the Winter Celebration followed by the annual Town Hall Meeting!

### Bonfire and Drinks (cash bar), 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Bring your family and join your neighbors on January 31st at Owl Creek Country Club...All are welcome!

### Town Hall Meeting, 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Come and listen to the annual State of the City by Mayor Neil Ramsey, Police Chief Dean Hayes, and recently appointed AMFES Fire Chief Kevin Groody. Then hear the announcement of Anchorage's Citizen of the Year! The Town Hall Meeting will be in the Owl Creek Country Club Ballroom with overflow in the Adult Grill for social distancing.

### Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

Stay at the club for dinner! Nonmembers are welcome, and there's lots of meal options for kids! Dinner reservations are required, so please call Owl Creek Country Club at 502-245-4157. All other questions, contact Civic Club member Kristin DeLong at [kristindelong.kd@gmail.com](mailto:kristindelong.kd@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

### ANCHORAGE CITY HALL

**CLOSED** on Friday, January 1, 2021

### REPUBLIC SERVICES

**CLOSED** Friday, January 1, 2021

Trash pick-up will run on a one-day delay beginning on the holiday and continuing the rest of the week.

Republic Services schedules are available at <https://www.republicservices.com/schedule>.

For questions or more information, contact Republic Services by email at [Anchorage@republicservices.com](mailto:Anchorage@republicservices.com) or call 638-9000.

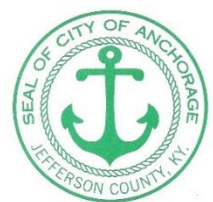
## 2021 PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS and APPEAL DEADLINE

Anchorage 2021 property assessment notices will be mailed to all property owners during the month of January.

Residents that choose to appeal their assessment may do so in person or in written form. To appeal in person, please call City Hall at 245-4654 to schedule an appointment. Be sure to bring all relevant documentation to this meeting. To submit a written appeal, include all documentation with the request and mail to: City of Anchorage, Attn: Board of Tax Supervisors, P. O. Box 23266, Anchorage, KY 40223.

**The deadline to make an appointment or submit your written appeal is Friday, February 12, 2021.**

Appointments will be scheduled in the order that calls are received with the first appointment starting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021.



## CITY COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the six 2021 – 2022 City Council members. When you see them, please help the City thank Diane Cook, Matthew Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Jason Walters, Hunter Wilson, and Bill Wetherton for their continued leadership and service to the community.

City Council holds public meetings on the second Tuesday of each month. Meeting agendas are posted on the City website, and on bulletin boards at City Hall and the post office. Reach Alert reminders are sent the Friday before the meetings. Contact information for Councilmembers can also be found on the City's website.

## ANNUAL ALARM REGISTRATION

City Ordinance requires all burglar alarms to be registered with the Anchorage Police Department, regardless if the system is monitored by a security service or not.



**Registration forms are due by  
January 31, 2020**

There is no charge to register your alarm. However, owners with unregistered alarms can incur civil penalties of up to \$250 a day. Registration forms are included with this newsletter and are available on the City website under City Services/Police Department or at City Hall. Registration forms should be returned to City Hall, or mailed to City of Anchorage, P.O. Box 23266, Anchorage, KY 40223.

## MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Neil Ramsey appointed the following officials and board members for the January – December 2021 term.

### Board of Tax Supervisors

Ken Purnell                      Keith Sant  
Paul Wessel

### Tax Assessor

Lee Bailey

### City Officials

Paul Bergmann      Zoning Compliance Officer  
Greg Smith          City Engineer & Flood Safety Officer  
Cooper Robertson   Alcohol Beverage Control Officer

### Forestry Board

Lucy Spickard, Chairperson      Diane McAllister  
Ellen Welham                      Nancy Wilkinson  
Jan Ruzich                          Adele McCoy  
Paul Wessel

### Historic Preservation Commission

William (Bill) Wetherton, Nonvoting/Chairman  
Clyde Ensor                          Katie Greene  
Dan Fultz                              Doug Schmitt  
William Fowler                      Bill Wilkinson  
Dan Grimm

### Ethics Commission & Conservation Easement Board

Brooks Alexander

### Cable Commission

Reneé Major

## FROM THE FORESTRY BOARD



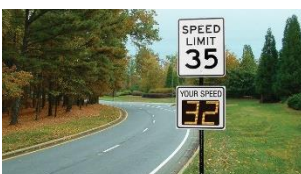
### Canopy Campaign

Forty-two new canopy trees were planted and installed with tree guards on November 20th and 22nd, concluding this year's Canopy Campaign. Many thanks to the residents who participated in bringing these shade trees to our City!

### 2021 Calendars

The Anchorage Forestry Board handed out calendars at the Light Up Anchorage event in December. You are invited to pick up your free Forestry Board 2021 calendar in the City Hall lobby. Each household is entitled to one free calendar while supplies last. The calendar features beautiful photos of Anchorage as well as notations of major holidays and Anchorage events.

## NEW MOBILE SIGN



The City of Anchorage recently purchased and installed a new mobile speed display sign. The sign is currently posted on Old Harrods Creek Road and is going to be regularly

relocated throughout the City. It is intended to remind drivers to abide by the posted speed limits.

## CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Christmas trees may be placed by the curb for pick-up on the first two regular yard waste days in January. Trees that are 6-foot tall or more should be cut into 4-foot lengths and placed curbside. The bases of large trees are quite heavy, so please cut them into 4-foot sections, so the tree can be safely handled by a single person.





## LIGHT UP ANCHORAGE

Anchorage City Hall and the gazebo were beautifully decorated for the season by the Anchorage Civic Club, who hosted the annual Light Up Anchorage event on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Residents brought ornaments to decorate the City tree, while children visited Santa on the steps of the gazebo.

## LIGHT UP THE TRAIL

The Anchorage Children's Theatre would like to thank everyone who purchased luminaries and came out on December 5th to enjoy the new Light Up Anchorage Trail holiday event. The trail was beautifully lit and all proceeds benefited Anchorage Children's Theatre, a non-profit, community organization! Thank you for your support.



## ANCHORAGE POST OFFICE GETS SPRUCED UP

For many years, the Anchorage Garden Club has been known for its care and dedication to Hobbs Chapel and Cemetery. A new community beautification project was discussed and embraced by all at the Club's annual opening meeting held on the grounds of Hobbs Chapel.

The Anchorage Garden Club is happy to announce it is working on phase I of the Anchorage Post Office beautification project. The Post Office building is a wonderful structure with great bones, and the property contains terrific spaces for landscaping. Members worked with Post Office personnel to initiate work orders to paint the entrance and wrought iron railing. The Garden Club funded new landscaping that was installed in late November. New landscape beds with plants, bushes, and mulch outline the walkways, and a new Scarlet Oak tree was planted to replace a tree lost in a storm.



## ANCHORAGE CHILDREN'S THEATRE TO BE STREAMED

ACT is proud to present its 73rd season with several streamed performances January 28 through 31! Tickets will go on sale January 4th! A link for ordering tickets will be posted on the ACT Facebook page and City of Anchorage website. The shows will be streamed on the dates listed here. One ticket grants the buyer one code, which can be used on the predetermined time/date to access the stream. Use the code for yourself (for example, on a laptop) OR on your shared family device (like an internet-enabled TV). The code can only be redeemed once, and only for the time/date scheduled.



## GROODY NAMED FIRE CHIEF

In October 2020, Chief Kevin Groody was named the new, full-time Chief of Anchorage Middletown Fire and EMS. Chief Groody has served as the department's interim chief since May 2020, following the retirement of Chief Andy Longstreet.



Chief Groody started his fire service career in 1976 in Ashland, Pennsylvania, and later joined departments in New York and Maryland. In 1997, he joined Worthington, starting as a volunteer firefighter and working his way up to Chief in January 2013. After Worthington's merger with Anchorage Middletown in 2019, he served as the Executive Assistant Fire Chief of the newly merged department.

## 2021 ANCHORAGE PTA RAFFLE

The Anchorage PTA is planning their annual fundraising event. In 2021, they will be raffling off a vintage, very expensive, sought-after bourbon and more! Raffle proceeds support programs that directly benefit students, teachers, and staff. Look for details in the February newsletter!

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH FISH FRY

For the health and safety of the community St. Luke's Episcopal Church decided not to hold their annual fish fries in 2021. They look forward to when everyone can safely gather again for meals.



