



From The Mayor's Desk...

A message to all my fellow neighbors,

As I reflect on my first six months in the office, I'm excited about our accomplishments and happy to share some highlights the board and I are working on below:

- The drainage problem on lower Trevilian has been remedied. No more ice at the bottom of the hill.
- Outdated ordinances are being codified and updated in coming months.
- Newly updated newcomer resident link on our website that's more user friendly is coming soon.
- Culvert repairs are in progress throughout the city where loose rocks were becoming a hazard.
- Assignment of an independent code enforcement officer.
- Many of our streets in poor condition will receive a facelift as we're about to begin a citywide paving project where necessary.
- Additional trees are being planted around the city to further enhance curbside appeal and replace some of the trees lost due to age or recent windstorms. Special thanks to arborist extraordinaire Mike Hayman!
- All dogs must be on leashes throughout the neighborhood for everyone's safety, per ordinance 90.19, dogs running at large.
- Residents can request a no cost dumpster permit for work on your home.

Lastly, all residents, family and friends are invited to join us for Seneca Gardens' first Food Truck Friday on June 30!

Best Regards,

Mayor Bob Kaufman

Save The Date: Seneca Gardens' Food Truck Friday on June 30th

Join your friends and neighbors for a fun evening of good food, sweet treats and tasty beverages from:

- 502 Cafe
- Monnik
- Kona Ice

SG's Food Truck Friday will be held Friday, June 30th, from 5:30 to 8:00 pm at Trevilian Way, between Valletta Road and Meadow Road.

We hope to see everyone there!



Good, Old-Fashioned Entrepreneurialism...and Refreshment

Summers in Louisville mean heat and humidity. What better way to beat the heat than with a refreshing glass of fresh-squeezed lemonade?

That's what Lucas Kling and Carter Harned thought. Together, they put together this handsome lemonade stand on Meadow Road, during the yard sale, where they sold lemonade and donuts.

Hats off to these enterprising young men who supplied us with a little relief, as well as a refreshing dose of nostalgia.



Contacts For Seneca Gardens

Mayor: Bob Kaufman
(502)235-6807
senecagardensmayor@gmail.com

Commissioner: Patty Anderson
(502)396-9099
senecagardenscommissionerpatty@gmail.com

Commissioner: Kim Cummins
(502)797-2088
senecagardenscommissionerkim@gmail.com

Commissioner: Andrea Diebold
(502)338-8970
senecagardensandrea@gmail.com

Commissioner: Ryan Keith
(502)424-0435
senecagardenscommissionerkeith@gmail.com

Treasurer: Jason Sanders
jason.sanders092@gmail.com

City Clerk: Margaret Jones
senecagardensclerk@gmail.com

Arborist: Mike Hayman
(502)649-2958
mhayman@iglou.com

Architect: Gil Stein
gsteinarch@aol.com

City Engineer: Ted Niemann
senecagardensengineer@gmail.com

City Attorney: Keith Larson

Strathmoor Police Department
(502)432-8900

A Word From Our City Arborist, Mike Hayman

While LG&E is often accused of over-cutting around electric wires, in this case the tree was embedded in their wires for 50 years until it became a gigantic hazard.

For the last two years, I lobbied LG&E forestry to get this dangerous cottonwood down. The tree, between Seneca Drive and Dell, frequently dropped branches and cut electric power on this line. Twice, it caught fire. The tree was so big that, if it broke at the base, it could have damaged any one of five houses. The tree was too big and dangerous for LG&E crews to handle. Finally, its removal was contracted out to the Bob Ray Company and was safely removed.



Ordinance Enforcement

Dear Neighbors,

The Seneca Gardens Board has been working on improvements and the housekeeping in our beautiful neighborhood. We have recognized that many residents may not be aware of our neighborhood ordinances and what they entail. In order to help residents be informed and to enforce ordinances, we have hired a code enforcement officer, George Stewart of Louisville Code Enforcement and Mediation. This will be effective starting July 1. George works for several home rule cities in Louisville, and his knowledge will be a valuable addition to keep residents happy and our community functioning smoothly and looking great.

Some items our code enforcement officer will help address:

PERMITS (150.020)

- dumpsters, portable toilets, pods, etc.
- sales of goods and services- estate sales, yard sales, etc.

YARD ORDINANCES (150.048)

- Keep your lawn mowed and weeded and exterior of home maintained.

DOGS (90.15)

- Keep dogs on a leash and cleaning up their messes.

We are excited about this new service to our neighborhood as it will provide a neutral option for ordinance enforcement for all of our residents. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns please direct to:

Kim Cummins
phone: 502-797-2088
email: senecagardenscommissionerkim@gmail.com).

The Seneca Gardens Budget for 2023-24

ORDINANCE NO. 1 Series 2023
City of Seneca Gardens

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SENECA GARDENS, KENTUCKY
OF SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE GENERAL OPERATION FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Sources of Revenue

1. Property Tax Receipts	\$	(225,000)
2. Interest Income		(23,000)
3. Tax Insurance Premiums		(57,000)
4. Cable Franchise Fees		(4,000)
5. Building Permit Fees		(4,500)
6. Police Grants		(3,500)
7. KY Municipal Aide Road Fund Income		(15,000)
Total Estimated Revenue	\$	<u><u>(332,000)</u></u>

Expenditures

1. Utilities/Waste Management	\$	90,000
2. Public Safety		110,200
3. Road Improvements & Maintenance		27,000
4. Communication		20,900
5. Environment		10,000
6. Administration		73,900
Total Expenditure	\$	<u><u>332,000</u></u>

First Reading - May 15, 2023

Second Reading and Passage - June 19, 2023

Bob Kaufman, Mayor
CITY OF SENECA GARDENS

DATE: June 19, 2023

Approved as to Form

Keith Lawson, City Attorney