



# **Hillcrest Village Newsletter**

*A Place  
to Call Home!*

2nd Quarter 2021

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## **City to Begin Enforcement of City Ordinances**

The City of Hillcrest Village has begun enforcing city ordinances. Residents are reminded that trailers, recreation vehicles, and junk cars must be stored behind the front line of your home on an inside lot and behind the front and side lines of your home on a corner lot. According to city ordinance, they must also be located behind a screened fence or hedge. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the city office.

## **City Council Election Slated for Saturday, May 1st**

Please do not forget to vote for your Aldermen on May 1st. This year there are six candidates running for the three Alderman seat open. The seats are all at-large positions and are for a term of 2 years. The Candidates are:

**Kory IZard Wrobliski**  
**Sarah Early Simoneau**  
**Lou Kidd**  
**Troy Jolly**  
**Carrie Kidd**  
**Randy Smith**

*Kate Hesch is on the ballot but no longer running.*

The general election will be held May 1st at the Hillcrest Village Municipal Building, 200 W Timberlane. We encourage all registered voters of Hillcrest to show up and vote on this very important day.

## **City Web Site is Established!**

***www.hillcrestvillagetx.gov***

After a time of development, the City of Hillcrest now has a website. Once scanned and loaded, citizens will be able to view city ordinances, pay their water bill on line, view current and past newsletters, see meeting and announcement postings, as well as contact city officials. Since the website is new, it may take a little time for all ordinances to get posted. Copies of ordinances can be obtained from the city office.

Citizens are reminded the city will only post official information from the city on the city website or the City EMC Facebook and twitter feeds. Information found on other social media sites may contain information or opinions of private members and may not reflect the official information from the city.

## **City Appoints City**

### **Operations Administrator**

At the February 2021 City Council meeting, resident John Patterson was appointed by the mayor and approved by the City Council as the city's new City Operations Administrator. The function of this position is to monitor any contractor activity (i.e. roofers, pools, fences, remodelers) to assure proper permits have been obtained, serve as a primary point of contact for the various companies who do business with the city, monitor any water or sewer repairs that are taking place, and assure that the city meeting hall is being properly maintained.

## **City to Buildings and Standards Commission to go active**

City Council has approved the formation of a Buildings and Standards Commission. Commission Board members shall be appointed by the Mayor and approved by City Council.

### **What does the Commission do?**

The commission shall have the authority provided for by V.T.C.A., Local Government Code chapter. 54, subchapter. C (V.T.C.A., Local Government Code § 54.031 et seq. To hear cases involving the enforcement of certain city ordinances.

### **Are decisions made by the Commission binding?**

The decisions made by the Commission are legally binding. However, state law does provide an avenue of appeal to the County District Court.

### **Does the Commission answer to the Council?**

No, the Commission is a quasi-judicial means of enforcing City Ordinances, It makes independent decisions based on the ordinances written.

### **Can I serve on the Commission?**

Any citizen who is interested in serving on the Commission can contact Mayor Wilson at [thomasowilson81@gmail.com](mailto:thomasowilson81@gmail.com) or 281-748-7149 for more information. Alternate members are needed and will be selected soon. If interested please contact the Mayor as soon as possible.

## **Don't Get Caught Out of the Communication Loop**

Make sure you have access to all up to date information that may come from the city. Please make sure you have signed up for the City's Message Service. Just call the city office and they will make sure you are enrolled. You can opt to receive messages by email, voice, or text. In the event of a disaster or emergency, residents can also access up to date city information through our EMC Facebook page and Twitter feeds as well.

## **City Files for FEMA Relief from the Freeze of 2021**

As a result of the recent freeze, the City has filed for FEMA relief. Grant funds received from FEMA will be used to recover costs incurred from broken city water lines and pipes as a result of the freeze. The city will also file to be reimbursed for diesel fuel purchased to keep city generators running during the freeze.

## **Watch Your Grass and Leaves**

With spring comes a great deal of leaf debris. Please refrain from blowing leaves into the street. This debris can block storm drains and lead to serious street flooding issues. Residents who use lawn care contractors need to inform the contractors that leaf and lawn debris cannot be blown into the street. Grass and leaf debris need to be picked up and bagged.

## **City Contact Information**

City Office : [cityoffice@hillcrestvillagetx.gov](mailto:cityoffice@hillcrestvillagetx.gov) phone: 281-756-0577

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