

Irvine Council discusses switching to LED lights

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Members of the Irvine council discussed the pros and cons of switching the street lights throughout the city to LED lights on Monday night. Mayor James Gross said he had spoken with a representative from Kentucky Utilities and was told that switching the lights over would cost \$6-\$8 per light and would not lessen the bill at all. Councilman Tim Burkhardt asked Gross to invite someone from Kentucky Utilities to the next council meeting to discuss the project.

After a lengthy discussion on property tax rates for the city of Irvine, the council agreed to table the discussion until they could get some exact figures in front of them pertaining to real and tangible property.

Councilman Tobo Bryant said he would like to see what a four percent rate increase would look like on a home assessed at \$50,000 and a home assessed at \$100,000. All council members were in favor of tabling

the discussion until they could get numbers from the PVA showing what the difference would be from last year to this year.

Councilman Billy Arthur made a motion to keep the tax rate the same as last year on motor vehicles.

Mayor Gross opened a sealed bid on an old fire truck that the city does not use any more. The bid amount was for \$3,000 from the Putnam Valley Fire Department. Fire Chief Tony Murphy said that this is the same fire department that had purchased a couple of the other department's surplus vehicles in the past.

Police Chief Brad Smith informed the council that John Sturniolo had recently been in an accident in the K-9 unit. Smith said that Sturniolo suffered minor injuries during the accident but unfortunately the vehicle was totaled which leaves Sturniolo using a regular police cruiser to haul Fritz in. Smith said that according to the KRS law, a new vehicle had to be purchased by bid and

the only place that was able to accommodate this was Paul Miller Ford and it could take between 16-18 weeks before they had their new K-9 unit. He said the price for the vehicle through Paul Miller Ford would be around \$29,000.

City Attorney Rodney Davis said the council could consider this an emergency situation since the dog was being hauled in a regular car and could bypass the state bid law. Smith said that he had been in touch with a dealership in Indiana who could get them a vehicle much quicker for around \$32,000.

Mayor Gross said that he had spoken with Billy Williams from IMU about the bridge on Turner Avenue and that it was in far worse shape than they had originally thought. He said it would cost the city more money than expected to fix the bridge properly but it had to be done. Gross also informed the council that he had made changes to the sanitation

route to make it easier on the city workers.

Tim Burkhardt asked if the city could declare the property on High Street as a surplus property and get rid of it. Rodney Davis said that it had already been declared a surplus property so the only thing the city needed to do was to advertise it for sale. One of the council members suggested speaking to home owners around the property to see if any of them would be interested in purchasing the property.

Councilwoman Nelle Williams said that garbage in downtown Irvine was becoming a problem after the shindigs in downtown. She said that she thought the city needed to work closely with the younger groups who are organizing the events to make sure that the town is kept clean.

The next council meeting will be held on August 27th at 7 p.m. All council meetings are open to the public.

Estill County Courthouse News

Property Transfers

Harbour Portfolio VII, LP to WM Capital Partners 68, LLC, \$22,182.64, property address 930 Watson Ridge Road, Ravenna.

Corey D. and Sara W. Stringfield to Howard and Debra Rogers, \$15,000, 0.065 acre on Stacy Lane.

Beverly and Tracy Blevins to Toy W. Leslie, \$20,000, 3/4 acre on Sandhill Highway.

Real property transferred under the will of Agness Means to Tina M. Brinegar Kelly, Timothy L. Brinegar, and Rebecca M. Brinegar, lot A-12 of Lee Acres Subdivision.

Master Commissioner Deed between Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and Jacqueline Crouch, administrator of the estate of Sylvia Dunn, et. al., \$164,250 to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., who assigned their bid to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Co., 2.43 acres on Old Landing Road.

Billy C. and Loretta Angel Kelley to Joseph C. and Kari S. Silver, \$72,500, lot #4, block #3 in Whispering Woods Subdivision.

Fred and Teddie Mae Arthur to H.H. Crowe LLC, a capital contribution, properties located at 509 Laurel Street, lot #55 in West Lawn Annex to Irvine, 415 Broadway, 526 Broadway, all in Irvine and 119 Fifth Street and 515 Elm Street in Ravenna.

Fred and Teddie Mae Arthur to E. Crowe LLC, a capital contribution, properties

located at 520 524, 529, 536, and 538 Locomotive Street in Irvine.

Isaacs Land Holdings, LLC to Russell W. and Tammy K. Walling, \$35,000, three acres, more or less, in Estill County.

Marriages

Samantha Jolyn Clifton, 22, Copper Still employee of Richmond, Ky. and Robert Bruce Dannelly, 32, warehouse employee of Lamar Drive, Irvine, married August 4, 2018.

Tara Morgan Coffey, 21, homemaker of Walnut Grove, Irvine and Zachary Donovan Thomas, 22, H&B masonry employee of Walnut Grove, Irvine, married August 3, 2018.

Rhonda Kaye Spencer, 31, homemaker of Old Fox Road, Irvine and Jerry Conrad Jr., 39, factory employee of Old Fox Road, Irvine, married August 10, 2018.

Melinda Rose Richardson, 48, lead custodian at EKV of Locomotive Street, Irvine and Timothy Dale Miller, 48, factory worker of Broadway, married July 31, 2018.

Circuit civil suits filed

Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. vs. Leah L. Williams, her unknown spouse, unknown occupant of 705 Elm Street, Ravenna, Commonwealth of Ky., County of Estill, and City of Ravenna, seeking judgment for \$83,858.05 plus interest and court costs.

Austin M. Brashear vs. Bil-

ly H. Hall, seeking judgment in injury collision occurring August 5, 2017 on Trotting Ridge Road.

Ashley Michelle Conrad vs. Andrew Michael Conrad, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. vs. Susie A. Officer and Steven E. Officer, complaint seeking to enforce security interest on mobile home.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Zachary R. Robinson, Branch Banking & Trust Co., and Rhonda Hardy, administrator of estate of Regina Robinson, complaint for foreclosure in lieu of \$18,946.27.

Appalachian Community Federal Credit Union vs. Eldon Smith, seeking judgment for \$6,585.28 plus interest and court costs/.

Operators permits

Alisha Lewis and Ryan Kidd.

Intermediate licenses

Eldon Walters, Savannah Elam, and William Noland.

Motorcycle license

Ralph Martin.

Road Test

If you would like to schedule a Drivers License Road Test, please call Jennifer Couch at (859) 623-1099.

Not the Same Person

Ashley Nicole Plowman, age 19 of Worrells Road, wishes to state that she is not the person with a similar name that appeared in a recent arrest story.

Hospital announces Starling's retirement

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Some notable achievements at Marcum & Wallace Hospital during Starling's tenure include:

- The first Kentucky hospital to be licensed as a critical access hospital.
- The first Level IV Trauma Center in Kentucky.
- A five-million-dollar expansion to update the facility, expand the emergency department and implement top-of-the-line clinical technology.
- The implementation of a world class electronic health record, CarePATH
- The expansion of a primary care network that serves the region.
- The growth of the Marcum & Wallace Hospital Foundation and the philanthropic partnerships in our community.
- Service to thousands in the community with health screenings and more.
- The employment of over two hundred employees.

"Thanks to Susan's leadership, we have developed a more effective care network in eastern Kentucky and made real progress in improving the health of these communities, allowing us to better fulfill our Mission," added Yungmann.

During the transition, Starling will continue to lead the strategy and day-to-day operations of MWMH.

"On behalf of the Marcum and Wallace Hospital Board of Directors, I want to congratulate Susan on her retirement. It has been an honor to witness her vision and leadership," said MWMH Board Chairman Rodney Davis. "Susan has led the organization smoothly through transitions in the healthcare industry and changes in the healthcare environment all while being a relentless advocate for rural healthcare in America. She has worked to expand services, facilities and programs to meet the needs of the communities we serve. The legacy of her work in Estill County, the communities served by Marcum and Wallace Hospital and rural healthcare organizations cannot be understated and will never be forgotten. The Marcum and Wallace Hospital Board of Directors will work diligently to ensure that our next CEO has the same level of commitment both to rural healthcare and the communities we serve as Susan has exhibited during her many years of service."



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