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# News from the Mill

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### From the Desk of Mayor Bell

Hello, Taylor Mill Patriots.

I hope everyone is doing well and staying **Healthy At Home** and **Healthy Outside** by practicing social distancing. Remember, it's important to Stay Home Save Lives, Be Smart. Stay Six Feet Apart and No Social Gathering.

Below are the most recent updates on COVID-19 and important updates from the city.

Please Stay Safe & Healthy [City of Taylor Mill](http://CityofTaylorMill). #TeamKentucky #Patriots #TaylorMillStrong

Mayor Bell

### Public Works Spring Projects

The City of Taylor Mill has an aggressive spring planned for our streets. The City has accepted a bid from Bluegrass Paving for the resurfacing of Janet Drive, Mafred Drive, Allen Ct, Sunset Drive and sections of High Ridge Drive. Some curbing will be replaced on Mafred Drive and High Ridge Drive and currently we are looking at the curbing on Sunset Drive. At the pre-construction meeting on March 13th, Bluegrass Paving planned to begin work in early May with completion by June 30, 2020. We are not sure the impact Covid-19 will have on this schedule, but we are hopeful to have the paving projects completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

The City's Public Works department began replacing crumbling concrete sections on Lakewood Drive this month. This is a large project for our Public Works Department, but they are doing a wonderful job and are looking at completion sometime in May. We want to thank the residents on Lakewood Dr., Robertson Road, and Morning Glory for their patience and understanding during the project.

Commissioner Rose Merritt

Pubic Works Liaison

### Governing During COVID 19

For those of you who attend our city meetings you no doubt noticed that this pandemic has also affected how we conduct our commission meetings. Our last meeting was via a teleconference with the mayor and commissioners all working from their respective homes. Technology is a wonderful thing; and we made it through the meeting and accomplished several tasks that were necessary to keep the wheels of local government turning, but it was odd. Odd that there was no personal interactions with citizens who are normally in the audience, whose smile, smirk or comment can let us know they either approved of a statement or thought it stupid. There is a lot of benefit to immediate feedback that we won't get from a teleconference.

Like most government offices we have closed our lobby to the public. This action goes against all my years of public service training. I have always enjoyed my interaction with citizens, even if they aren't always happy to be seeing me. It's the way government is supposed to function, face to face. I look forward to returning to the old "normal".

In times of family turmoil my great-grandmother would always say, "This too shall pass". I agree with mamaw, it will.

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, and Stay Six Feet Away  
Brian Haney, CAO

### Parks and Recreation

As I began to write this message to you, I inadvertently pulled a large thin book from the bookcase to write on. The title was, "No sleep for the Sheep". In the story, the animals find comfort from one another. This children's book, though awkwardly, reminded me again that we all are in this together, and, yes, together, we will all get through this.

As we shop, walk, and live at a distance of 6 feet, we still can wave, and holler "Hi", and support one another. Many of us have cancelled family gatherings, including our city family: Easter egg hunts, shred events, Love Your Park Day and more, but this will not stop us. Here in Taylor Mill, we continue to work while we also plan for the future of our city.

I appreciate all you do for one another during this unusual time, including your consideration of our local businesses, and those less fortunate.

In the future, when it is safe to do so, we will need your help to continue to move forward, to volunteer for events, things like Love Your Park Day, where we will work on beautifying our park. Our Taylor Mill Team includes you!

Finally, our park remains open for your walking pleasure but as you walk through Taylor Mill and Pride Park, stay safe (6 feet).

Thanks for all your encouragement along the way.

Commissioner Caroline Braden  
Parks Liaison

### News from Your Police Department

We have been working hard to not only protect You, our customer, but also to protect our police officers during the COVID-19 Pandemic. We have made sure our officers have the personal protective equipment they need to keep them safe and on the job so they are ready to respond to your public safety needs. Similarly, Taylor Mill residents such as Kim Vaal, have taken their own measures to protect our officers and keep them fit for duty. Out of the goodness of her heart and at her own expense, she made washable face masks for all of our police officers. Depicted below is Sergeant Ken Holstein promoting social distancing. We are very proud that Governor Andy Beshear displayed this photo during his statewide televised COVID-19 news briefing on April 15th, as he called attention to TMPD following his COVID-19 precautions. We can't thank the Taylor Mill Community enough for your continued and unwavering support, of YOUR Police Department. Especially during these difficult times. As the Governor says, we will get through this and we will get through this together. Stand Strong Taylor Mill!

Steve Knauf, Police Chief

Commissioner Mark Kreimborg, Police Liaison



### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Daniel Bell
Commissioner Caroline Braden
Commissioner Mark Kreimborg
Commissioner Rose Merritt
Commissioner Dan Murray
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**Taylor Mill's City Commission Meetings will air LIVE on the following cable channels:**

**TBNK's Government Channel 2 on Spectrum 204 and Cincinnati Bell Fioptics 816**

**As well, it will STREAM LIVE on the web at TBNKtoGO 2 ([www.tbnk.org/togo2](http://www.tbnk.org/togo2)).**

### Taylor Mill Fire Department.

April and May we begin testing and flushing fire hydrants to ensure they are ready if we need to open one to save a structure. If your water runs brown, it may be from deposits that were disturbed when a nearby hydrant was tapped. Just let your faucet run until the discoloration is gone. If the issue persists, please call the fire department at 581-6565 or the NKY Water Dept. at 578-9898.

Many of Taylor Mill's streets are older and more narrow than what is now required by code. Because of this, it is important to know that emergency vehicles need a minimum of ten (10) feet to pass a parked car. If you live on a narrow street, please be mindful of the fact that if we are called, your vehicle may delay life saving personnel from reaching its intended location.

If you have any questions regarding burn permits, please contact the station. Please be safe and take care of each other.

John Stager, Fire Chief

Daniel Murray, Fire Liaison

### Everyone Counts!



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