

Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory #200 – Friday, January 25, 2013

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1. City Crews Prepare for Storm; KUB Offers Safety Tips

In anticipation of the storm projected to hit East Tennessee on Friday morning, City of Knoxville crews today (Thursday) treated major and secondary roads with salt brine, an operation that will continue after evening rush hour and last into the early morning hours.

The goal is to treat all major and secondary roads (Level I and II streets) and as many neighborhood streets (Level III) as possible. At approximately 3 a.m. Friday, crews will return to the city's operation center to top off salt trucks and then deploy throughout the city to await the storm.

Storm response will depend on actual circumstances in the field, but it will follow the City's Snow Plan, with salt trucks covering Level I and II streets first and responding to assistance calls from emergency response partners. City departments will coordinate directly with KUB, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and other partner agencies.

Visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/services/snow.asp> to see the city's snow plan.

Meanwhile, there are widespread concerns about ice-laden trees downing power lines. Stay away from downed power lines, KUB urges. Report them to KUB at 594-2911.

According to www.kub.org:

When an outage occurs, KUB immediately begins outage assessment. KUB cannot respond to every outage at once, so it categorizes the size of the outage and services impacted to create the most effective and efficient plan. During a typical outage, KUB will determine the order of restoration in the following sequence:

- ** Critical system loads that include communications systems, water/wastewater pump stations, hospitals, and other services vital to public welfare.
- ** Transmission lines (the backbone of the electric system) serving larger numbers of customers.
- ** Substation equipment that can impact large numbers as well.
- ** Distribution lines serving subdivisions, large housing areas, and commercial areas.
- ** Service lines and transformers that serve small numbers of customers.
- ** Service lines and transformers serving individual customers.

After an outage has occurred, turn off all the appliances that were on at the time of the outage, especially heat pumps, air-conditioners, and electric heating. This will prevent an overload on the system when the power comes back on. Leave a light on so you'll know when service is back. Remember to turn the systems back on when the power is restored.

Follow this rule after a power outage in the winter: If the power has been off more than three hours, leave the system switch in the heat or auto position but lower your thermostat setting to 60 degrees. This will slowly bring your home to normal temperature, gradually raise your thermostat no more two degrees at a time until your home reaches your desired comfort level. Raising your thermostat in two degree increments will prevent your emergency strip heating from coming on. This will prevent not only an increase in your electric consumption but will also reduce potential damage to your unit.

See www.kub.org for more safety tips before, during and after a storm.

2. City Council Reschedules Workshop

A City Council workshop postponed because of last week's snow storm has been rescheduled to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, February 28, in the large assembly room at the City County Building, 400 Main Street.

Council will tackle details of two proposed ordinances. One would regulate the siting of crematoria in the city --- those associated with funeral homes as well as stand-alone facilities. The other would allow, with a use on review, a group of houses to be oriented primarily toward a courtyard, rather than the street, in certain residential zones.

3. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

All government meetings will be held in either the Large or Small Assembly Room unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions, visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/>.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Monday, January 28 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)

Knox County Commission

(Every Fourth Monday, Jan.-Oct. Third Mondays, Nov.-Dec.)

www.knoxcounty.org/commission

Agenda: Click on "Meetings" and then "Commission Agendas"

Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting.

Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, January 29 --- 6 p.m.

Public Input Meeting

Topic: Future Use of Historic Knoxville High School

Refreshments served at 6 p.m. Meeting begins 6:30 p.m.

East Tennessee Community Design Center

Please RSVP: Leslie Fawaz, 525-9945, leslie@communitydc.org

Thursday, January 31 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board
(Last Thursday, Jan.-Oct. First Thursday, Dec.)
Small Assembly Room, City-County Building
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Friday, February 1 --- 9:30 a.m.
Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement
(Usually held on the Friday following Better Building Board meetings)
The PO considers action on violations of city’s building codes.
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, February 4 --- 5:00 p.m.
Knox County School Board – Work Session
(Monday before the regular meeting, except holidays)
First Floor Board Room
Andrew Johnson Building, 912 South Gay St.
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education

Monday, February 4 --- 5:30 p.m.
Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)
(First Mondays except holidays)
CAC/Luke Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue
Dave Gartner, 862-2066

Tuesday, February 5 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)
Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street
Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, February 5 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Wednesday, February 6 --- 5:00 p.m.
Knox County Board of Education
Monthly Meeting (Normally first Wednesdays)
Large Assembly Room, City County Building
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education”

Friday, February 8 --- 6:00 p.m.
Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.
Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Monday, February 11 --- 6 p.m.
Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (second Mondays)
Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, February 11 --- 6 p.m.
Vestal Community Organization (second Mondays)

South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, February 11 --- 6:30 p.m.
Belle Morris Community Action Group (second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Tuesday, February 12 --- 11:45 a.m.
Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, February 12 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, February 12 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street
R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Wednesday, February 13 --- 11:30 a.m.
Community Forum (Every Second Wednesday)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golfclub Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, February 13 --- 4:30 p.m.
Neighborhood Advisory Council
(Every Second Wednesday except July and Dec.)
CAC/Luke Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, February 14 --- 1:30 p.m.
Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Saturday, February 16 --- 10 a.m.
South Haven Neighborhood Association (third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue\
Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, February 18 --- 7 p.m.
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)
Location Varies
Judith Neff, merlin2@comcast.net

Tuesday, February 19 --- 10 a.m.
Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council (Third Tuesdays)

CAC/MLB Building, 2247 Western Avenue
(See <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/food.asp> for bylaws, community garden toolkit etc.)

Tuesday, February 19 --- 6 p.m.

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (third Tuesdays)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Drive
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, February 19 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Tuesday, February 19 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, February 21 --- Breakfast @ 7:30 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Speaker: Sam McKenzie, Knox County Commissioner
Burlington Library, 4614 Asheville Highway
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, February 21 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>

Thursday, February 21 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays except July)
Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay Street
See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Thursday, February 21 --- 4 p.m.

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)
Small Assembly Room
Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp>

Thursday, February 21 --- 6 p.m.

Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)
Community Meeting (Third Thursdays)
Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Road
Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net

Thursday, February 21--- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)
Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henagar Street

Thursday, February 28 --- 9 a.m.

Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, Jan.-Oct.)
"Meet with city services that may assist in planning your event."

Civic Coliseum Ballroom, Third Floor
Free Parking available at Civic Coliseum Parking Garage
Office of Special Events, 215-4248

Thursday, February 28 --- 5:30 p.m.

Knoxville City Council Workshop

Topic 1: zoning ordinance regulating crematories

Topic 2: zoning ordinance to permit courtyard development in some residential districts

Main Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, March 11 --- 5:30 p.m.

Downtown Residents Quarterly Meeting

Central Business Improvement District

Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square

(Future meetings in 2013: 6/10, 9/9, 12/9)

<http://downtownknoxville.org/>

Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Saturday, March 23 --- 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Conference

Knoxville Convention Center

Office of Neighborhoods

David Massey, 215-3232

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