



City of Kyle e-Newsletter

New this year - Kyle City Council recap! We summarize council decisions to keep you informed. Check it out at <http://www.cityofkyle.com/council/kyle-city-council-recap>

This weekly e-Newsletter contains useful information about events and happenings in the City of Kyle. To subscribe, simply [click here](#) and put "Kyle Newsletter" in the subject line to be added to the distribution list.

Farewell to former Kyle mayor

Kyle said farewell this week to former Mayor James Adkins, who passed away Jan. 3 in a Dallas hospital. He was battling prostate cancer for more than a year.

He served Kyle from 1999-2003. Many residents and city staff



Adkins

remember him fondly. Current Mayor Todd Webster's statement said, in part, "[Adkins] approached the city's challenges with a sense of purpose and helped assemble a team that could address those challenges. I am thankful because Kyle is a much a better place because he

chose to do so."

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Community Funeral Home of Tyler, 1429 North Border Avenue, Tyler Texas, 75702.

Upcoming Public Meetings at City Hall

Kyle City Council Meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2016 at 7 p.m.

Can't make a meeting?
Kyle City Council meetings are [Streamed Live on the Internet](#)

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City Council Applications

Ever thought of serving on Kyle City Council? It's an important part of how the city operates. Those interested in filing for a place on the May ballot must submit their application beginning Jan. 20, 2016. The last day to file is Feb. 19 by 5 p.m.

Mail applications to:
City of Kyle
P.O. Box 40
Kyle, Texas 78640



Hand deliver applications to:
Kyle City Hall, 100 Center St., Kyle

On a related note, you can't vote if your aren't registered! To be eligible to vote in an upcoming election, your application must be received at least 30 days prior to the posted election date. What are you waiting for? Get connect to your city and get involved! Visit <http://www.co.hays.tx.us/voter-registration-ballot-by-mail.aspx>

Recycle those Christmas trees

Not sure what to do with your real Christmas tree after you take it down? Other than sweep up pine needles until April, that is.

Recycle it!

The Kyle Parks & Recreation Department will accept real Christmas trees at city parks until the end of January. But honestly, don't you want to get rid of it sooner than later?



To learn more, visit: www.cityofkyle.com/recreation/tree-drop-recycling.

KPD begins new warrant program

Kyle City Council approved moving forward with new technology that will assist the Kyle Police Department in finding individuals who have outstanding warrants.

Those unpaid warrants currently total \$4.8 million. A portion of that money goes to the state.

KPD will soon implement new technology that aims to help recoup some of those funds.

The system allows law enforcement vehicles to scan licenses plates on vehicles on public roadways and spaces, which will then let officers know if they find a match.

This new program should be up and running in the next few months.

Kyle Road Bond Updates

A question we hear at City Hall every so often is, "What's happening with the 2013 Kyle road bond program?" We're glad you asked! Many don't realize all the steps and puzzle pieces involved in getting roads built or upgraded.

Behind the scenes, city staff handle right-of-way acquisition, review

plans and work with utility companies on moving lines, just to name a few tasks. It can take months or longer to finalize all the moving parts.

Want more information about the 2013 road bond?

Visit www.cityofkyle.com.

Kyle PD now offers 'Safe Trade' locale

The Kyle Police Department (KPD) is now offering its headquarters as a meeting place for online sales transactions to take place.

Called Safe Trade, the program provides a safe, well-lit and video monitored location for people to pick up items they purchased online or receive payment for items they sold.

Parking lots and other public locations are often used when two parties meet to trade money for products.

"The KPD headquarters is just another option for Kyle residents who utilize services such as Craigslist," KPD Chief Jeff Barnett said.

Since the lobby of the KPD police station is open 24/7, Safe Trade transactions can take place at most any time of day.

There is no need to call ahead or make any kind of reservation; simply tell the other party to meet you at 111 N. Front Street in Kyle, inside the lobby.

For larger, heavier items, including furniture and bikes, the KPD parking lot in front of the station is also available to make safe trades.

Events & Happenings

Kyle Depot soft opening

The restored Kyle Depot — the old train station on Front Street, across from City Hall — is nearing completion.

A joint venture with the City of Kyle and the Hays County Historical Commission, the project has been going on for about 13 years. The result is a beautifully restored building that will serve as a museum and history center for Kyle.

We welcome Kyle residents to join us from **10-noon on Jan. 23** for a look into the city's historic past.

At this "soft" opening, author Betty Harrison will be on hand with her new book, "Images of America: Kyle." A documentary film will also play during the event.

