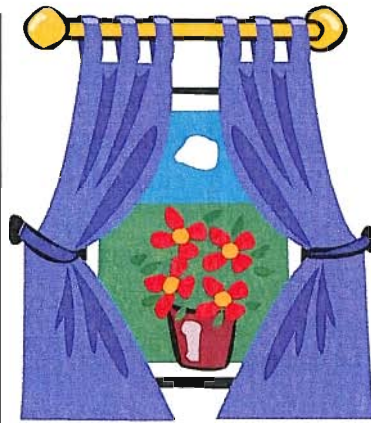




**Pool Season Ends  
Labor Day  
Mon., Sept. 7**

### **Trash is attractive to pests but not to anyone else. Dispose of trash promptly.**

To save residents money, the City of Knollwood does not have door to door trash service. Therefore, Knollwood residents have no need to leave trash outside at any time. Furthermore, it is against Knollwood Village rules to leave trash bags or any kind of trash on decks, yards, or driveways as it looks bad, smells bad and gives visitors a negative impression of our community. Trash only attracts vermin and other animals, thus creating a health and safety hazard. Residents must take all trash directly to the dumpsters as soon as you remove it from your home.



### **Do You Have Unsightly Windows?**

Knollwood Village rules do not permit sheets, blankets, foil, etc. over windows. Only appropriate window coverings, in good repair are permitted.

Wal-mart, Big Lots & Dollar General have a variety of curtains for less than \$15, and curtain rods for less than \$5. Window shades and blinds are available for \$20.

## **The High Cost of Smoking**

The average cost of a pack of cigarettes is around \$4.50. If you smoke a pack a day, you spend about \$31.50 per week, \$135 a month, or \$1,638 per year. A 40-year-old who quits smoking and puts the savings into a 401(k) earning 9% a year would have nearly \$250,000 by age 70.

If you smoke in your car, you may get less for the trade-in value.

If you smoke at home, your house and all your furnishings lose value, and you may not be able to sell your house without first spending thousands on repainting and professional cleaning.

Some insurance companies charge smokers higher premiums, and some employers don't hire smokers, and

Many studies find that smokers earn anywhere from 4% to 11% less than nonsmokers.

Bad breath, yellow teeth and smelly clothes are just a few of the personal side effects of smoking, and all cost money to correct.

**If you can't afford to pay your bills,  
you can't afford to smoke.**

# Knollwood City Council July 16, 2009 Meeting Overview

## WATER BILLING PROCEDURES

Mr. Bryan Perdue was named as the new water meter reader and will be paid the sum of \$50.00 per full series read. The council approved Utility Billing Resolution R2009-0716-1 wherein water bills should be mailed on or before the 14th of each month so future readings must take place no later than 2 days before the bills are due to be mailed. In the event that meters cannot be read bills may be estimated, provided that an actual meter reading is taken every two months and appropriate adjustments made to the bills.

In a related matter, backup training for the "CORE" utility billing software program used by the City, was conducted by City Clerk Wojnas on Thursday, July 23rd. Attending the training Council Member Samantha Null, City Secretary Rachel Van Citters, and City intern Jennifer Oda. On Thursday August 13th, the trainees will perform the actual monthly water billing for Knollwood Village.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The Council approved passage of the Intergovernmental Agreement for Code Red Weather Warning Services. The program, partially funded through Homeland Security grants, will pinpoint severe weather warnings within specific areas and initiate automatic warning calls to area residents.

In a related matter, council reviewed the "Emergency Preparedness" handout provided in their council packets.

## CITY MONTHLY FUND BALANCES

City Clerk Wojnas provided the City of Knollwood financial statements which indicate a deficit. Council members Strakos, Null, and Wright volunteered for a committee to focus on pin-pointing financial problems and to develop the new 2009-2010 Budget.

## KEDCO and KIDCO SALES TAX BOARDS

The fifth order of business was discussion regarding Sales Tax boards for "Knollwood Economic Development Company" (KEDCO) and "Knollwood Industrial Development Company" (KIDCO). Incorporation of the two companies is expected to be complete by August 31, 2009.

In a related matter the Council reviewed information regarding a proposal to form a Knollwood Chamber of Commerce to promote more and better business enterprises.

## FINAL ELECTION REPORTS

Final Contributions for May 2009 Campaign/Officeholder Reports have been filed.

## TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Mr. EG Roelke reported the grant looks like it will be awarded to The City of Knollwood. The next step in the process will be an on-site survey.

# Knollwood City Council August 20, 2009 Tentative Agenda

**Mayor:** Richard R. Roelke **Mayor Pro-Tem:** Helen Starkey

**Council Members:** Ronald Harris Samantha Null  
William K. Strakos Nita Wright

**City Attorney:** Elroy G. Roelke **City Clerk:** Marilyn Wojnas

**City Secretary:** Rachel Van Citters

## A. NOTICE OF CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM:

Citizens may address the City Council on issues that are not on the agenda provided they fill out a "REQUEST TO SPEAK FORM" and limit their comments to **5 Minutes**. As required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, no formal action can be taken by the City on items not on the agenda and publically posted for 72 hours.

## B. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA:

Mayor's report on proposed city budget for year 2009-2010:  
Mayor asks for public comments and questions.

## C. NOTICE OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1) Consider and act on any and all items relating to the \$125,000 Texas Community Development Block Grant for Sewer System Improvements
  - a) Discussion on Sewer System Improvements Project and related implementation requirements
- 2) Discussion and possible action regarding utility service procedures, resolution, R2009-0716-1.
- 3) Discussion and possible action regarding Code Red Emergency call service.
- 4) Report regarding City Monthly Fund Balances, bills due and status of the 2008 audit.
- 5) Review and discussion regarding 2009-2010 fiscal budget.
- 6) Discussion and possible action regarding establishment of 4A & 4B Articles of Incorporation.
- 7) Discussion and possible action regarding nuisances, including noise complaints.
- 8) Discussion and possible action regarding City Workers' Comp. & Liability policy renewals.
- 9) Discussion and possible action regarding City Records Management, Ordinance O2009-0820-1.

**Next Council Meeting will be  
September 17th, 2009.**