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## **April City Alerts**

This special meeting will be conducted by live videoconference (ZOOM) pursuant to Senate Bill 150, Section 1, subparagraph (8) b, (2020 Regular Session) and the continuing state of emergency. Public access to the meeting will be available through the following link:

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Thank you to everyone who attended our first City of Bancroft Easter egg hunt. We were excited to see so



many neighbors enjoying each other's company. A big thank you to the Harper's who volunteered their yard for the event. We hope to continue hosting additional events like this to bring the city together. If you have any suggestions of what you'd like to see, please contact Community Outreach and Communications Commissioner [Jaimie Schapker](#).

## **April Notes from the Mayor**

This month the city commission will begin the process of developing the FY 2021-2022 budget. The first step is a review of the five city department budget requests for 2021-2022. Part of this effort also involves setting the property tax rate. During this process each year we often receive questions from residents about what is perceived as a high tax rate.

It is true that we have a higher tax rate than some cities. State law does not allow us to drastically cut the taxes and reduce revenue from the previous year. One of the factors is the property valuations we receive each year. Commissioner Ed Evers and Treasurer Arnold Shaikun work each year to recommend a tax rate that meets our revenue requirements for the annual budget and meets the requirements of state law while doing what we can to reduce the property tax rate.

As property valuations increase, we can decrease the tax rate and maintain our current level of revenue. The current tax rate for FY 2020-2021 is .351 cents per \$100 assessed value. This was a reduction from the FY 2019-2020 tax rate of .355 cents per \$100 of assessed value. When I first became a member of the city commission in 2015, the tax rate for FY 2015-2016 was .387 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Our city commission has worked diligently to incrementally reduce the tax rate each year and still comply with state law. It helps that we are in a fiscally sound condition. Some residents have questioned why our tax rate is higher than some other suburban cities. The simple answer is that, unlike many suburban cities, we have only residential property in Bancroft. Most of our revenue comes from residential property taxes. Other cities have other revenue sources such as taxes on businesses. Bancroft has no businesses in our city limits.

As always, you are welcome to attend all of our city commission meetings. At the April through June meetings, you will be able to observe our deliberations on the 2021-2022 budget and tax ordinances. I will provide opportunities for you to ask questions about the process and make comments about the budget and tax rate proposals.

*-Mayor Jeff Magers*

## April Meeting Agenda



It is official. After assisting with the transition to Chief Mudd, Chief Yeager has retired from policing with over thirty years of service. We want to again publicly acknowledge the great work of Tony Yeager for his eight years of outstanding work as Bancroft Chief of Police and his dedication to keeping our city safe. All one has to do is look at the crime statistics from the surrounding areas to see that we have few crime problems. We earnestly believe Chief Yeager's diligence in his crime prevention and public safety duties has played a significant part in having a safe city for us to live. It was a honor to work with Chief Yeager. At the January City Commission meeting, we recognized Chief Yeager for his service. The next day Mayor Magers presented him with a plaque recognizing his service to public safety in Bancroft. On behalf of the residents of the City of Bancroft, we wish Chief Yeager the best in this next phase of his life.

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Police Chief David Mudd brings to Bancroft the added capability of providing bike patrol, which is a well-recognized community policing tactic. Chief Mudd is an experienced and trained bike patrol officer. He uses his own police bike and equipment. If you see Chief Mudd on bike patrol take the opportunity to welcome him to Bancroft PD.



## HOW CAN WE CONTACT THE POLICE?

### For immediate police assistance:

1. Emergency: **Dial 911**
2. Non-emergency police assistance: **Dial 311**

### For non-urgent neighborhood concerns:

1. Call our police line at **(502) 263-3663**. Leave a voicemail with your name and phone number. Chief Mudd will call you back when he is on-duty.

For your safety, please call 911 or 311 to have police dispatched. If Chief Mudd is working, then

### Police News from Chief Mudd

As the weather turns warmer, I hope to see fewer vehicles in Bancroft running unattended. Not only is this a violation of Kentucky law, but it's the easiest way for someone to steal your vehicle. It's also not necessary with today's modern vehicles and actually wastes fuel, increases pollution, and can damage your engine. According to [DriversEd.com](https://www.driversed.com), here is what you should do instead:

#### **Step 1. Make sure your vehicle is in a safe spot.**

- It should be out in the open air, not in a garage.

#### **Step 2. Turn on the vehicle and defroster.**

- The defroster will help clear the window while the engine warms up.

they will dispatch him to help you, otherwise, they will dispatch a Metro police officer. Do not personally seek out Chief Mudd to get assistance for an emergency.

**Step 3. Let the engine run for 30 seconds.**

- That's all it takes in most vehicles that are 30 years old or newer. If it's extremely cold and your vehicle is covered in snow or ice, give it a minute or two longer to warm up.

**Step 4. Start slowly and take it easy for the first 5 to 15 minutes.**

- A long period of idling can be bad for your engine. Start slowly and take it easy on the gas pedal for about 5-15 minutes. Otherwise, you could stress out your engine before it's had time to reach its normal performance levels.

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## **Trash Services**

### **RECYCLING**

April 5

April 19

May 3

May 17

### **YARD WASTE**

Weekly

**Questions? Contact Rumpke 1-800-828-8171**

### **Have a New Neighbor?**

Let them know about our mailing list.

Contact Clerk [Shannon Tuthill](#) to add them to the email list and directory.

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## **NEXT COMMISSION MEETING**

Thursday, April 8

7 p.m.

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### **House Watch**

If you are going to be away from home for any length of time, it is important to let Chief Anthony Yeager know as soon as possible. You may [fill out the form on the City of Bancroft website](#). Or, email Chief Yeager at [chief@cityofbancroft.org](mailto:chief@cityofbancroft.org) with the following important information:

- Name
- Address
- Emergency phone numbers
- Is anyone supposed to be there while you are away
- When you are leaving and when you plan to return

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### **Rental Property Registration**

Renting your home? Bancroft Ordinance requires you apply for a permit. This will ensure Chief Yeager knows who to contact in case of an issue or emergency. [Rental permits can be found on the City of Bancroft website.](#)

**Visit our City Website**

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**City Maintenance Commissioner**  
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### February Meeting Minutes

**Join the City of Bancroft Facebook group!**



**Reminder:** To join you have to answer the prompt: Which street do you live on. This ensures only those approved to join live in the neighborhood. We do allow some residents who live just outside Bancroft city limits to join as well.

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