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# **MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR**

Dear Residents,

It is with great pride and honor that I announce the newly elected commissioners who will serve our City. Please join me in congratulating **Carrol Bowman**, **Ralph** (**Boz**) **Collins**, **Jason Ponder** and **Jill Smith**.

These individuals bring a wealth of experience, passion, and commitment to their roles. I am confident that their diverse backgrounds and perspectives will contribute greatly to the continued growth and success of our City.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank **Todd Claggett** for his service as City Commissioner during the past few years. While Todd decided not to run for reelection, he will continue to support and live in our City.

It is with great appreciation to acknowledge the exceptional efforts of **Wendell Bell**, our City Clerk, and **Rod Rigacci**, our City Treasurer. Wendell and Rod have shown unwavering dedication and meticulous attention to detail in managing the clerical and treasury duties, ensuring that our City's records are well-maintained and our processes run smoothly. Their commitment to excellence has been instrumental in upholding the integrity and efficiency of our City's administration.

I encourage all residents to engage with our Commissioners and City staff members, share your ideas, and participate in the civic process.

Together, we can achieve great things and build a brighter future for our City.

Sincerely, John Cole Mayor of Ryland Heights

## TURNING 65 THIS YEAR? GET YOUR PROPERTY TAX DISCOUNT!

The Kentucky Homestead Exemption Program offers a tax exemption (tax break) for some older adults. This exemption can lower the amount of property tax you pay each year. It may lower your home's assessed (estimated) value, up to a certain amount set by the program.

The Homestead Exemption amount is determined by the Legislature every two years based upon the cost-of-living index. For 2025 and 2026, the amount of the Exemption is \$49,100.

For additional information and the application, contact the Kenton County Property Valuation Administrator (PVA).

#### **Kenton County PVA**

Phone: 859-392-1750



You can visit their website at https://www.kentonpva.org/178/Homestead-Exemption or scan the QR code above.

Please consider visiting the City's website and let us know if you're interested seeing additional information, activities or other topics not currently provided.



You can visit our website at cityofrylandheights.org or scan the QR code above.

### Please stop by...

The Ryland Heights Commission meets the second Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:30 pm in the City building, 10145 Decoursey Pike, Ryland Heights, KY 41015.

The public is invited to attend all Commission meetings. And, if you have a topic you would like included on the agenda, please call the City building at 859-363-7707 and let us know.

### City of Ryland Heights Roads

### **Kenton County Public Works**

The City has a contract with Kenton County Public Works to maintain **Coleman**, **Feiser**, **Lambs Ferry**, **Locust Pike (South)**, **Porter**, **Stewart** and **Tecumseh**.

To report a hazard, contact Kenton County Public Works at 859-392-1920 or email <u>nick.hendrix@kentoncounty.org</u>

#### **State of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet**

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is responsible for maintaining state roads. In Ryland Heights these roads are **Decoursey Pike, Locust Pike** and **Whites Road**.

To report a hazard or work that's needed, please contact the State of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - District 6 at 859-341-2700.

#### **Property owners**

Private roads are maintained by property owners. In Ryland Heights these roads are **Ryland Trace Drive**, **Gretchen Drive**, **Miller Lane** and **Teddy Lane**.

If you need assistance or have questions, please call the City building at 859-363-7707.

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