



**VILLAGE OF NORTH CHEVY CHASE**  
**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**  
**March 2019**

**MARCH VILLAGE MEETING**

March 19, 2019; 8 PM; NCC Christian Church  
*Tentative Agenda Items: (Please note that a formal agenda will be sent via listserv and posted on the website 5 days before mtg)*

- **Presentation by SHA on I495/I270 Managed Lane Study;**
- Approval of February meeting minutes;
- Treasurer's Report
- Document Retention Policy

**HIGHLIGHTS FROM FEBRUARY VILLAGE MEETING** *(Please note that the official minutes will be approved at the next Village meeting and will be posted on the website after)*

**Secretary's Report for January 2019**

(Mechanick) – approved.

**Treasurer's Report for January 2019** (Stuart)

–Results for January 2019 included income of \$33,618 and operating expenses of \$28,400 (including trees, snow removal, waste removal, wages and taxes and professional fees). Fiscal year to date revenues through January 2019 of \$220,279 have exceeded expenses of \$135,991 by \$84,288. Note was taken that state income tax distribution to date is trailing the amount received for the prior fiscal year,

although that could just be a timing issue. Total current assets as of January 2019, consisting of operating balance plus reserves, come to \$1,356,661.

**Presentation:**

The Council received a presentation by Aleisha Scarlett of Lindsey+Associates, the Village's outside auditor, of the results of the FY18 audit. The Village received a clean audit report for the fiscal year in question, while the Audit noted the identification and correction of a recordkeeping error from a prior fiscal year.

**VILLAGE COUNCIL**

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**Small Cell Ordinance:** The Council approved on a vote of 5-0 the proposed Ordinance to Regulate Small Wireless Telecommunications Facilities in the Rights-of-Way, which will be incorporated into the Village's Regulations as a new Chapter 7. The Ordinance will take effect on March 26, 2019, unless prior thereto 25% of Village-qualified voters file a referendum petition challenging the Ordinance.

**Kensington Parkway Pedestrian Signs and Waste Pick-Up Sign Options:** The Village is continuing with efforts to move forward with improved signage at the Montrose and Kensington Parkway intersection, to better protect pedestrians crossing. Concerns were raised about signage that could potentially be confusing as to whether a full stop was required irrespective of pedestrians desiring to use the crosswalk; alternate approaches, including the possibility of signage indicating that vehicles should yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk, will be considered. The Village Manager is also requested to get prices for flashing vehicular speed signs and a pedestrian-activated flashing sign at the intersection. With respect to waste pick-up signs, in addition to signage dealing with dog waste, it was also suggested that signage dealing with litter in general would be appropriate, particularly for the fence along Inverness towards Connecticut Ave. Other related topics addressed included ongoing desires for improved Village street lighting and installation of additional Village-owned garbage cans at various locations in the Village, including near the diverters on Montgomery Avenue and the Jones Bridge Road parcel that may be the future location of a rain garden to be installed by the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) and Montgomery County.

**Village Tree Replacement Approvals:** The Village Manager is continuing to pursue this with affected Village residents.

**I-495/I-270 Managed Lane Study:**

There will be a formal presentation by SHA regarding the current status of the Managed Lane Study at the next Council Meeting on March 19. Disappointment and concern were expressed regarding the recent public announcement that the Study has already been narrowed to just seven options, six of which would involve installation of toll lanes, while the seventh is a "do nothing" option. Please note that MDOT/SHA will also be holding 6 public workshops to present the traffic, environmental, and financial analyses for the recommended Screened Alternatives along with the recommendations for the alternatives to be retained for detailed study in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The 3 workshops closest to the Village are: 1) April 13, Thomas Pyle Middle School (6311 Wilson Lane Bethesda, MD 20817) from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.; 2) Wednesday, April 24 Eastern Middle School (300 University Blvd E, Silver Spring, MD 20901) 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. and 3) Thursday, April 25 Thomas Wootton High School (2100 Wootton Parkway, Rockville, MD 20850) 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. A virtual workshop will also be available on the program website starting April 11, 2019. Residents are encouraged to visit <https://495-270-p3.com/> for more detailed information and opportunities to provide comments.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/UPDATES**

Village Council Elections: Election for two of the five Council seats as well as a Fire Board

Representative seat will be held on **May 7, 2019**. Per the Village Charter, a Nominating Committee was created. The Village appreciates Brigitte Akalovsky, Bill Lensing, and Helen Santiago Fink for volunteering for the Committee. Any Qualified Voters (resident of the Village of North Chevy Chase who is qualified to vote in Montgomery County and who is registered with the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors of Elections or with the Village Council) who is interested in seeking nomination for the available seats should send Written Notice on or before March 22 to Brigitte at [akalovsky@hotmail.com](mailto:akalovsky@hotmail.com).

FY20 Budget: A draft FY20 budget for the Village is being prepared and will be formally reviewed at the April 16 Council meeting. Residents are encouraged to send any recommendations for priority capital expenditures, services, and other input to the Village Manager or Council members by March 30.

Taxes: Please be sure to include the Village of North Chevy Chase as your “city” at the top of your State Tax Return. In the past, Village residents’ income taxes have been sent to other municipalities in error due to misfiling. For electronic filers, the Political Subdivision Code for North Chevy Chase is 1618.

Connecticut/Jones Bridge Intersection

Improvement: Please note that SHA has demarcated the area at Montrose/Jones Bridge that the Village has been requested to donate for storm water drainage as part of the overall MD185/Jones Bridge Intersection Improvement project. Residents are encouraged to view the area. Once work is underway and completed,

vehicles will not be able to park on Jones Bridge Rd at that site. The sidewalk will be widened to 5 ft. along Jones Bridge and most of the trees will be removed (with new ones planted on the other side by the school), but all within SHA right-of-way. Utility repositioning will begin this spring (2019), while the road and sidewalk work will start in spring of 2020. The project is anticipated to take 2 years.

Website/Listserv: The Village Manager lacks email addresses for a significant number of households within the community. Outside of the newsletter and monthly Council meetings, emails are the primary means by which the Village Manager and Council can communicate time-sensitive issues with Village residents. Please send your email address (include name, street address, and contact number) to the Village Manager. All emails that are part of the Yahoo listserv will also now receive update notifications from the Webpage. The Village Manager is exploring options for an improved listserv, which should hopefully be finalized within the month.

Annual NCC Neighborhood Yard Sale: Mark your calendars – **May 18, 9 AM – 1 PM**. Now is the time to declutter and turn your no longer needed “stuff” into \$ or donate. Look for sign up info in the April - May newsletters. For questions, please contact Ingrid Dallaire at 301-455-6962 or [Ingrid.Dallaire@LongandFoster.com](mailto:Ingrid.Dallaire@LongandFoster.com).

Home Demolition: The Village was informed that Montgomery County received a permit application to demolish the homes on Kensington Parkway beyond the overpass (9213 Kensington Pkwy). Updates about

developments of that area will be shared when available.

Beginner Bird Walks: Every Saturday morning from 8-9 a.m., Woodend Sanctuary offers free guided bird walks. Meet at the Audubon Naturalist Shop parking lot and bring binoculars or borrow theirs. Register at [anshome.org](http://anshome.org).

Knitting/Craft Group: For those interested in knitting, jewelry, painting, or other arts/crafts projects, a group from the community meets every Thursday from 10:30 – noon at the Chevy Chase Library.

Dog Waste: Some residents have expressed concern about the lack of dog waste pick up on private property. Please note that residents are required to immediately remove and dispose of all dog waste deposited on streets, sidewalks, public rights-of-way, common ground or private property other than that of the owner.

Pet of the Month: The Village would like to continue to honor the wonderful pets in the neighborhood. Please send a photograph, accompanied by a brief narrative text, of your pet to the Village Secretary (Maury Mechanick) at [secretary@northchevyCHASE.org](mailto:secretary@northchevyCHASE.org).

## REMINDERS

Bulk Trash Pickup: The next bulk trash pickup will be **Saturday, March 16**. Items must be at curbside by 7 AM. Our contractors uses different trucks to haul different items, so certain items may be removed before others. **Included items:** Washing machines, dryers, stoves, hot water heaters, other major appliances, furniture/parts of furniture, large toys, bicycles, swing sets, bath tubs, sinks,

toilets, do-it-yourself amounts of earth, sand, gravel, demolition debris and construction waste, parts of automobiles, but not fleet tires. **Excluded:** Large tree stumps, poisons, acids, caustics, explosives, oil or other flammable liquids, motor vehicles and parts such as batteries, tires, bricks, general construction material, iron pipe over 10 ft long, large rocks, wood piles, large tree limbs, dead animals, human or animal feces and ammunition.

## CALENDAR (2019)

- March 16:** 7 AM - Bulk Trash Pick Up
- March 19:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting (SHA Presentation on I495/I270 Managed Lane Study)
- April 16:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting (FY20 Budget Review)
- May 7:** 7:30 PM - Village Annual Meeting  
8 PM - Village Elections
- May 18:** 9 AM – 1 PM - NCC Neighborhood Yard Sale
- June 18:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting
- July 16:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting