



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

MAY VILLAGE MEETING

May 7, 2019; 7:30 PM; NCC Christian Church

Please note that this will be the only Council meeting in the month of May.

- April Meeting Minutes approval
- Permits
- Construction Guidelines Follow-Up

ANNUAL MEETING: The 94th Annual Meeting will take place on **May 7, 2019** at **8:00 PM**, NCC Christian Church. The Agenda will include:

- Annual Report by the Village Chairman
- Consideration of the FY20 property tax rate. The proposed rates are **\$0.045** (per \$100 of assessed value) for real property and **\$0.13** (per \$100 of assessed value) for personal property (both unchanged from FY18 and FY19).
- Nomination and vote to fill two (2) Council member positions (2-year terms). The positions are currently held by Chas Stuart and Brian Hoffner, who are seeking re-election. There are currently no other candidates. Any Qualified Voter who resides in the Village may declare his or her own candidacy or nominate any other

Qualified Voter, who has given consent, by submitting the nomination in writing to Brigitte Akalovsky (akalovsky@hotmail.com) no later than April 30.

Village residents who are eligible to vote in Montgomery County elections are automatically eligible to vote in Village elections. Voters who have registered with the County need not re-register to vote in the Village election. Voters who have not registered will need to show proof of residence to vote. Absentee ballots shall be made available, upon request, to

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any Qualified Voter requesting an absentee ballot. The request should be submitted by a Qualified Voter to Brigitte Akalovsky, Chair of the Nominating Committee, by April 30 and any such ballot shall be returned to the Chair by no later than 2:00 pm on May 7.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM APRIL 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 March 2019 – approved.

Treasurer's Report for March 2019 (Stuart) – Results for March 2019 included income of \$1,050 and operating expenses of \$16,245 (including snow removal, wages and taxes, office and communications, and professional fees). Fiscal year to date revenues through March 2019 of \$283,826 have exceeded expenses of \$159,097 by \$124,729. Total current assets as of March 2019, consisting of operating balance plus reserves, come to \$1,400,116.92.

Permits:

- **3702 Kenilworth Driveway** – Fence replacement – approved.
- **3607 Dundee Driveway** – Fence replacement (partial) and shed – approved.

Discussion:

FY 2020 Budget – The Council approved the FY 2020 budget (attached) that was posted to the Village website in the April agenda packet and circulated via the listserv.

Kensington Parkway Pedestrian Signs – The Council approved procurement of improved traffic signage (yield for pedestrian signs) for the Kensington Parkway/Montrose and Kensington

Parkway/Kenilworth intersections, and additional signage for the chain link fence bordering the Village and the SHA right-of-way along Inverness encouraging use of trash receptacles. There will be further discussion about Kensington Pkwy vehicular speeding and pedestrian safety at future Council meetings.

Construction Guidelines/Permit Fees – The Council deferred taking action on the proposed Construction Guidelines until the May meeting, to allow further time for Council members to review the proposals, including consideration of possible modifications related to clarifying Village right-of-way distances and maintaining sufficient space for vehicular movements on the roadways. The deferral notwithstanding, there was broad recognition among Council members and those in attendance that the experience of the past several months, involving considerable difficulties arising from many of the major construction activities within the Village, had clearly indicated additional measures would be desirable, particularly given that new major construction permit applications are expected in the near term.

Deer Encroachment – Concerns about this issue were noted and the Council will continue to monitor the situation and suggest approaches, where appropriate, to assist Village residents in dealing with this issue.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/UPDATES

Environment Committee: The Village appreciates the support of the following residents, who have volunteered to serve on the Environment Committee: Helen Santiago Fink, Jane Houlihan, Mike Houlihan, Howard Kaplan, Sarah Stout, Jim Williams and Carrie

Witkop. The Committee will start to explore ways to engage and inform residents about “green” solutions they can do in their own homes and yards and will have a dedicated space in each newsletter for this purpose. Additional participants are always welcome. Please contact the Village Manager or one of the committee members for more information.

New Residents: The Caviola family recently moved from Montgomery Ave. to 8904 Clifford Ave. There are a number of homes for sale so the Village will be welcoming many new residents over the next few months.

Purple Line Update: Beginning o/a May 13, 2019, traffic will be shifted onto the northbound side of Jones Mill Road for phase I of the traffic change. Crews will be excavating and installing the arch for the future underpass. Work will take place from 7 AM - 5 PM on weekdays and weekends.

Salt Barn: The Council/Village management are following up with SHA to ensure that there will not be an on/off ramp onto Kensington Parkway once the salt barn is completed, per previous agreements. In addition, the Village would like to ensure no heavy construction trucks (surpassing the 3/4 ton limit) are using Kensington Parkway during the building process. If residents see large construction vehicles along Kensington Parkway going to or from the construction site near the underpass, please notify the Village Manager.

School/Cluster Boundary Analysis: Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) is utilizing external consultants to conduct an in-depth review and analysis of school and cluster

boundaries. Four “community conversations” were held in April to help shape the scope of work for the assessment. The analysis is scheduled to take place from the summer 2019 through winter 2020, with a final report on findings and options presented to the School Board in the spring of 2020. For additional information, please go to <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/publicinfo/boundary-analysis>.

CALENDAR (2019)

- May 7:** 7:30 PM - Village Meeting
8 PM – Annual Meeting
(Village Elections)
- May 18:** 9 AM – 1 PM - NCC
Neighborhood Yard Sale
- June 15:** 7 AM - Bulk Trash Pick up
- June 18:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting
- July 4:** Annual Block Party
- July 16:** 8 PM - Village Council Meeting