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Section 5 Council

Greg Chernack, Chairman
Patricia Xeller, Vice-Chairman
Maryann Luongo, Treasurer
Josh Galper
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Important Section Dates

- ◆ Monday, July 4
Fourth of July Parade and Party
- ◆ No Council Meetings in July or August
- ◆ Tuesday, September 13
Town Council Meeting

Town Council News

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 3. The Council recommended a budget of \$542,700 in expenditures (based on projected revenues of \$646,511.) The budget was voted on and unanimously approved as proposed. Copies were distributed by mail to residents in April.



In addition to the budget, a vote was held regarding the property tax rate for Section 5. Residents again approved the recommendation of the Council that the tax rate be set at zero.

There were two open Council seats up for election this May, and we had two candidates run for these seats so no voting election was held. Both incumbents Josh Galper and Maryann Luongo will serve additional two year terms.

Important Property Tax Bill Information - Please Read

As longtime residents are aware, at the close of each Fiscal Year the Town Council reviews the Section's financial reports and determines whether the Section is able to provide residents with a credit/rebate for that year. **This year's vote occurred at the June 14 meeting, and the Council has decided to give each household a \$700 credit.** The credit is distributed through a rebate to each resident's upcoming year's property tax bill (these bills will be received by residents in July 2022).

In most cases, property tax payments are made for a resident through a mortgage escrow account. If this is the way you make your payment, there is nothing further you need to do, and you will automatically receive the \$700 rebate.

However, if you pay your property tax bill directly to the County (not through a lender) it is important that you subtract \$700 from the total amount listed on your PAPER BILL. Do not use the amount listed on the online bill. Please refer to the paper bill. This often leads to confusion and possible late fees and penalties.

Please email the Town Manager with any questions.

SECTION 5 OF THE VILLAGE OF CHEVY CHASE



RSVP Today for the Annual Fourth of July Parade and Party

Don't miss the annual Fourth of July parade led by a Chevy Chase fire engine! The day begins at 11 a.m. in front of 3807 Williams Lane. We will gather for the Pledge of Allegiance, patriotic songs, and a short but star-spangled stroll down Williams, Brookville, Thornapple, and ending up on Underwood (between Dalkeith and Thornapple Place) with a lunch and party.

All Section residents, friends, family, and pets are welcome. We will have hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers from Rocklands Barbecue. Lunch will be served starting at 11:30 a.m. and be available until 1 p.m. Stop in and grab a quick bite, or stay for the moon bounce and water slide! Fourth of July festive attire is encouraged. Don't forget to decorate your bikes, strollers, and wagons.

Please email your RSVP to the Town Manager: manager@chevychasesection5.org so we have a general headcount for food.

However, if you find you are available and have not RSVP'd, please come anyway!

WSSC Work Delayed

Work associated with the Brookville water main replacement project has been delayed again. The earliest the work will begin is July 11 due to continued supply chain issues.

SIGN UP for Section 5's Email Notification List

If you are new to Section 5, or you are not receiving regular email notices and reminders from the Town Manager, please take a minute to make sure we have a current email address on file.

Notices and reminders are sent out on an as needed basis.

Email the Town Manager with any questions.
manager@chevychasesection5.org



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7100 Connecticut Avenue (formerly the 4-H Property) Redevelopment Information

Residents interested in learning more about the plans for the 4-H Center at 7100 Connecticut can find regular updates on the Town of Chevy Chase's webpage www.townofchevychase.org.

On June 2, the developers, Galerie Living and Community Three, presented an updated concept plan for the property. All residents are encouraged to review the plan and provide feedback to the Town by email to townoffice@townofchevychase.org.



Initial Site Plan Renderings

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Building Permits

- ◆ 7506 Glendale Road - Repair existing driveway with no change in square footage. / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3801 Thornapple Street - Replace portion of fence / Permit Approved
- Place a construction dumpster in their private drive / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3600 Underwood Street - Install low growing plantings in right-of-way area / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3801 Williams Lane - Place flagstone on top of their existing front walkway and steps with appropriate stormwater mitigation measures / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3701 Woodbine Street - Construct new exterior wood stair, railings, and composite decking over existing patio slab with no change in grade or surface area / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3804 Woodbine Street - Repair and re-seal driveway / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3811 Woodbine Street - Install flagstone on top of existing patio with no change in square footage. / Permit Approved
- Repair existing driveway / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3814 Woodbine - Replace existing rear yard fence. / Permit Approved



STOP! Do You Need a Section 5 Permit?

- The majority of renovations
 - Sheds or accessory buildings
 - Fences - including replacements and/or substantial repairs
 - Driveway projects
 - Patio projects
 - Right-of-way projects
 - Dumpsters or PODS
 - Playsets
 - Drainage projects including sump pumps and new downspouts
- ALL REQUIRE A PERMIT**

Looking to take out a tree?

Most public and private tree removal also **REQUIRES a permit.**

Please contact the Town office before you begin. We will work with you to make sure you have the necessary information and avoid a costly mishap.

SECTION 5 OF THE VILLAGE OF CHEVY CHASE

Section 5 Part-time Police Officers

Just a reminder, Section 5 has two Montgomery County police officers who work exclusively in our community twenty hours each week.

Captain Jason Cokinos and Sergeant Mike Pratt have been with us since 2019. They routinely conduct both car and foot patrols, rush hour traffic watch, and generally make their presence known throughout the Section. Hopefully, you've seen them out and about and had a chance to meet at some point, but if not, please make a point to say "hello" soon.

We are very fortunate to have them in the Section and thank them both for their service!

Summer Time Home Safety Reminders

Please remember to lock your car every time you park, and remove any spare keys.

Residents are also encouraged to lock up or move any bikes or other valuables to sheds, garages, or even to the backyard so they are out of sight.

If you are traveling or going to be away for more than a few days this summer, arrange for mail, packages, and other deliveries to be collected or stopped.

Don't leave outdoor lights on 24 hours a day. Consider putting indoor lamps on a timer.

If you have a hidden spare key, remove it while you are away.



Captain Jason Cokinos



Sergeant Mike Pratt

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Tree Removal Permits

- ◆ 3809 Leland Street - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3717 Underwood Street - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3706 Williams Lane - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3707 Williams Lane - Private Tree Removal

Trimming Town Trees

The Section hires a private contractor to trim all Town trees (trees located between the sidewalk and street.) If you believe there is a Town tree that needs attention, please email the Town manager.

Additionally, the Section also has a consulting arborist, Dr. Tolbert Feather. Dr. Feather is available to look at both public and private trees at no cost to the resident. Email the Town Manager for more information.

Yard work and Noise

Please thoughtfully choose your work hours especially on the weekends and holidays.



Reminder about the Section 5 Private Listserv

Section 5 has a private listserv moderated by Underwood resident, Lyric Winik. It is set up through groups.io, and it is for Chevy Chase Section 5 residents only.

The listserv was created to serve as an information forum to communicate local news, requests, and community events. The purpose of the group is for residents to be able to communicate with each other, to request assistance such as snow shoveling, yard care, or errands, or offer assistance, such as babysitting, lawn/snow/errand help; to post regarding items to be donated; and very limited community news. Posters will refrain from offering professional services, any political posts, any fundraising efforts, and for now any goods for sale.

How to Join:

1. Send an email to ChevyChaseSection5+subscribe@groups.io
2. You will receive an email from ChevyChaseSection5+subscribe@groups.io in response. You must respond to this email (from the moderator) and confirm your name and address.
3. Once the moderator receives that information, you will be approved for membership.

Email Lyric Winik at lyricwinik@mac.com with questions.

The Section 5 Council and manager encourage interested residents to join.

Please note: This listserv is not affiliated with the municipal government of Section 5, nor will it replace any of the other methods the Section Council and Town Manager use to communicate with Section residents.