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Section 5 Council

Greg Chernack, Chairman
Scott Livingston, Vice-Chairman
Philip Giordano
Maryann Luongo
Patricia Xeller, Secretary

Important Section Dates

- ◆ Tuesday, June 11
Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at
the Village Hall
- ◆ Saturday, June 22
Bulk Trash Collection
- ◆ Monday, June 24
Section-wide Street Clean
(See Page 4 for details.)
- ◆ Thursday, July 4
Parade and Party at 11 a.m.
(See Page 2 for details.)
- ◆ No Council Meetings in July or
August

Town Council - Annual Meeting Notes

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 7. The Council recommended a budget of \$540,272 in expenditures (based on projected revenues of \$639,889.) 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 three open Council seats up for election this May, and we had three candidates run for these seats so no voting election was held. Incumbents Greg Chernack and Pat Xeller will serve additional two year terms, as well as a new Council member, Philip Giordano. Philip takes the spot vacated by Nancy Pines, who decided not to run for re-election. Nancy has been a dedicated member of the Council for the last decade. The Council is grateful for her continued willingness to serve and commitment. Section 5 has certainly benefited from all her hard work!

Important Property Tax Bill Information

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. The vote occurs at the June Meeting when the Council has a more accurate picture of the overall projected income tax revenue from the State. If the Council votes for the credit, it is distributed through a rebate to each resident's upcoming year's property tax bill (these bills are received by residents in July 2019).

The Town Manager will send notification regarding the vote by both email and postal mail along with specific details about how and when the credit is processed. Please make sure to look for this information.

RSVP Today for the Fourth of July Parade and Party



Join us for a Section 5 tradition: 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 hotdogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers from Rocklands Barbeque. Lunch will be served buffet style 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. The more the merrier!



Welcome to New Residents

♦ Jenni and Robby Bick -
7205 Connecticut

NEW TO SECTION 5?

If you are new to Section 5, welcome! We would love to greet you properly, and make sure you have all the information you need regarding Section services and events. Please take a minute to email the Town Manager at manager@chevychasesection5.org

Building Permit Notices

Building Permits Issued:

- ◆ 3612 Thornapple - New plantings, hardscape, and outdoor lighting - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3615 Thornapple - WSSC installation that requires street work - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3615 Thornapple - Washington Gas installation that requires street work - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3801 Underwood Street - Remove and replace rear yard fence - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3720 Williams Lane - Replace fence - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3802 Williams Lane - Replace existing driveway - Permit Approved
- ◆ 3804 Williams Lane - Replace existing driveway - Permit Approved

Recycling - When In Doubt Throw it Out

We all want to do our part and recycle when possible. However, it is important to remember that not all things that are recyclable are accepted in curbside recycling.

Please see the enclosed leaflet for a detailed list of items that are accepted by the Montgomery County facility, as well as items that are not accepted.



If you are unsure of whether an item can be recycled, please do not put it in the bin. Placing a non-recyclable item in the recycling bin often results in the ENTIRE BIN being tossed in the trash.

Also, some residents have been using “recycling bags” instead of the traditional green or blue bins to store their curbside collection. While the bags are labeled as recyclable, they are not allowed at the County facility because they get caught in the shredder. Recycling placed in these type of bags will not be picked up by our refuse contractor.

Tree Permit Removals

- ◆ 7310 Brookville Road - Private Tree Removal
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- ◆ 7401 Brookville Road - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3 Leland Court - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3803 Williams Lane - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3807 Woodbine Street - 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 Section manager.



Do I 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
- 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 Street Cleaning - Monday, June 24

On Monday, June 24 there will be a Section-wide street cleaning. Crews will arrive at 9 a.m. and finish by 5 p.m.

Please make every effort to park your car off the street that day. The Section will send an email reminding you the night before.

Sidewalk Work

The Section is in the final stages of identifying priority areas for an upcoming sidewalk project. The goal of this project is to target areas that tend to hold water or are in poor condition. The work will focus on replacing larger areas of sidewalk (typically driveway apron to driveway apron) instead of individual blocks here and there.

The project must first go out to bid, and the timing of the work will be dependent on the contractor's ability, but it is likely to start early fall. The Section will keep residents updated.

Be sure to check out the following websites for area events:

Chevy Chase Historical Society
www.chevychasehistory.org

Chevy Chase at Home
www.chevychaseathome.org

Chevy Chase Library
www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/chevychase.html



Section 3 Famers' Market is Back!

Don't miss the Farmers' Market every Saturday on Taylor Street (near the Brookville intersection.) The hours are 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Parking is available at La Ferme restaurant.

Stop in for farm fresh eggs, delicious organic vegetables, and fruit. Some weeks there will be a Food Truck serving breakfast! For more information, contact the Section 3 Manager at villagemanager@chevychasesection3.org.

Summer Home Safety Tips

With summer almost here, many are leaving on vacations. If you plan to be away for more than a few days, it is a good idea to:

- Share your plans with a neighbor. Give them your departure and arrival dates along with any comings and goings they should expect.
- Arrange for mail, packages, and other deliveries to be collected or stopped.
- Lock and alarm your home and car.
- Don't leave valuables out in the open. This includes valuables in cars, on porches, and in front, side, and back yards. Put things like bikes in a locked storage unit, or move them inside your home while you are away.
- 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.