

COUNCIL OF CHEVY CHASE VIEW

Monthly Meeting

Date: June 11, 2007

Place: Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland

Present: Michael Plantamura, Chairman; Coral Bell, Ray Bernor, Martie Mitchell,
Peter Roman and Jana Coe, Town Administrator

Ronald M. Bolt, Legal Counsel to Chevy Chase View

Alan Beal, Building Permit Administrator for Chevy Chase View

Others Present: Peggy Jacocks, 4000 Dresden Street

Rachel Ritvo, 4020 Everett Street

Mark Prysant, 3804 Dresden Street

Alicia Klaffky, 4101 Dresden Street

Called to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Michael Plantamura, Chairman

Approval of Minutes of May 16, 2007 Regular Meeting: Ray Bernor moved that the minutes of the May 16, 2007 meeting be approved. Martie Mitchell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Financial Report: Peter Roman moved that the financial report for the period May 1, 2007, to May 31, 2007, be accepted. Ray Bernor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Council Member Walk: Ray Bernor reported that the utility cut in the CCV street at 3815 Everett Street is in need of a temporary patch. There are deep scrapes in the street where the two homes are under construction at 4109 and 4113 Glenridge Street. Mr. Bernor advised that we monitor the condition of this roadway area.

Application for Fence – 3804 Dresden Street (Prysand/Tasman): Mark Prysand and Sharon Tasman have applied for a fence permit to replace an existing rear yard fence with a 5-foot tall coated mesh fence. Martie Mitchell moved that the application be approved as submitted. Peter Roman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Report on June 6th Worksession with Town of Kensington/Connecticut Avenue

Speed Camera Update: Mike Plantamura reported that the entire CCV Council and Jana Coe attended a joint work session with the Town of Kensington Council on June 6th. The Councils reviewed different safety options which included speed cameras, narrowing of lanes, sidewalks, upgraded lighting, and crosswalks.

The Councils agreed there would be a greater chance of success of gaining some of these improvements if the two municipalities work together, as many of these issues straddle both towns. It was the consensus that a joint letter would be sent to Nancy

Floreen of the Montgomery County Council outlining all the above areas that would improve the safety and speed along Connecticut Avenue.

Jana Coe reported that the street lights on Connecticut Avenue are considered “orphans”. The State does not have street lights on state roads, the County does not have street lights in municipalities and PEPCO has confirmed that CCV does not own the street lights on Connecticut Avenue. She has contacted PEPCO officials asking for their help in upgrading these lights, as the CCV Council has agreed to add them to our payment roster of street lights.

BRAC Committee Report: Mike Plantamura, serving as the representative for CCV, reported that the Montgomery County BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) Implementation will release in August an environmental impact study (EIS). Mike felt that the traffic congestion due to the increase of vehicular traffic at the Bethesda Medical Center is the greatest concern to CCV residents. Peter Roman will be attending the June 19th meeting.

Proposed Work Session Date for CCV Council: The Council set the date of July 31st for a work session, as proposed at the April Council meeting. The purpose of the work session would be to integrate the tree data and public opinions the Council has been absorbing over the past nine months, as well as to develop a plan of action going forward.

Note that work sessions are open to the public but discussion at a work session is limited to the Council members, i.e., no comments from attendees will be allowed. Martie Mitchell and Jana Coe will work together to define the areas of discussion and circulate the material to Council members in advance of the meeting. Mike Plantamura will circulate the general agenda prior to the meeting.

Discussion on Advisability of General Policy for Donation Requests: The Council discussed the appropriateness of establishing a formal CCV policy to deal with donation requests. It was the consensus of the Council that there is no need for a formal policy and these requests can very easily be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

CCV Town Picnic: The annual CCV picnic will be held on Sunday, September 16th. Mark your calendars now for this fun-filled community event! Suzanne and Denny Scarff have graciously offered once again to host the picnic in the front yard of their home at 4201 Franklin Street. Residents are encouraged to offer their help with the picnic – call Suzanne at 301-942-0169. Thanks for offering!

Recognition and Appreciation to Christ Episcopal Church: Ray Bernor moved that CCV donate \$750 to Christ Episcopal Church as a gesture of appreciation for the use of church facilities during the past year. Peter Roman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Audit for FY2006-2007: Peter Roman moved that the Council engage the services of Robert T. Gibbs, CPA, for the FY 2006-07 State required audit. Ray Bernor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously

Discussion of Support for Rollingwood Incorporation Efforts: After discussion, it was the consensus of the CCV Council that it was not inclined to express an official position with respect to the incorporation initiative pending in the community of Rollingwood.

Coyote Notice: A CCV resident asked the Council to advise residents of reported coyote sightings in the Rockville area. For more information, please call Montgomery County Animal Control at 240-773-5960.

Other New Business: Jana Coe asked the Council for its directive regarding the May 2006 approved CCV building application for a shed at 4213 Glenrose Street (Manion). The owner has not secured a Montgomery County permit and therefore the approved application is pending issuance of a CCV permit. Ray Bernor felt the delay in construction of the shed was due to the boundary discrepancy at the rear of Mr. Manion's property. The Council asked Alan Beal to contact Mr. Manion for an anticipated time frame for building the shed.

Adjournment: At 9:05 p.m., Peter Roman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Martie Mitchell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 18, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. This meeting will be at Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland.

Respectfully submitted,
Jana S. Coe, Town Administrator

Application for Building Permit – Building Permit Applications for consideration at the July 18, 2007, meeting must be fully perfected by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4, 2007. Applications can be submitted to Alan Beal, the Building Permit Administrator, for review. Please note that Mr. Beal's review may take several days and an application is not considered perfected until Mr. Beal completes his review. Any questions about this process should be directed to Mr. Beal at 202-607-4153.

Bulk Pick-Up - The next bulk pick-up will be Saturday, July 7, 2007. Bulk pick-ups are held on the first Saturday of the month. As a reminder, heavy refuse includes major appliances, furniture, large toys, bicycles, plumbing fixtures and up to two tires cut in quarters. Excluded are batteries, propane tanks, bricks and general construction debris and iron pipes. Please have your items at the curb by 7:00 AM on Saturday as the truck comes through early.

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