

# COUNCIL OF CHEVY CHASE VIEW

## Monthly Meeting

Date: November 17, 2010  
Place: Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland  
Present: Mike Plantamura, Chair; Coral Bell, Paula Fudge, Lulu Gonella,  
Mike Greene, Council members  
Jana Coe, Town Manager  
Ron Bolt, Legal Counsel to Chevy Chase View  
Rachel Ritvo, 4020 Everett Street

Called to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Mike Plantamura, Chair

**Approval of Minutes of October 20, 2010 Regular Meeting:** Lulu Gonella moved the minutes of the October 20, 2010 regular monthly meeting be approved. Coral Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report for the Period October 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010:** Coral Bell moved that financial report for the period of October 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010 be approved. Paula Fudge seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Lulu Gonella inquired about the state income revenues for FY11. Jana Coe reported that the updated projections will be available at the December monthly meeting.

**Council Member Walk:** Lulu Gonella reported that CCV leaf collection has been ongoing since October 15, with Bethke Landscaping servicing CCV twice a week to stay on top of the enormous amount of leaves falling.

**Application for Fence – 4234 Everett Street (Whalley-Otto):** Judy Whalley of 4234 Everett Street applied to construct a 4' fence in the front yard along Cedar Lane and at the left rear of the house to the existing fence. The proposed fence complies with the CCV building regulations. Paula Fudge moved that the application be approved. Coral Bell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Council asked Jana Coe to seek clarification to the site drawing depicting the fence placement's lack of continuation on the southwest corner of the garage to the existing fence on the Roman's property at 4229 Franklin Street. In its absence, it appears to leave a gap with no connection to fully enclose the yard. Jana Coe will secure the clarification from Mrs. Whalley.

**Update on 9813 Connecticut Avenue (Moore):** In late October, it was learned that a relative of the homeowner at 9813 Connecticut Avenue had begun construction of a dormer without securing a Montgomery County and CCV permit. Montgomery County issued a stop work order until such time that the permitting process is completed.

The homeowner's relative has been informed that this work will also require a CCV waiver. CCV has received a copy of the new CPJ boundary survey, but awaits a copy of the building plans in order to proceed on this matter.

**BRAC Report:** Lulu Gonella reported that a letter was sent to County Executive Ike Leggett urging him to keep the BRAC Implementation Committee intact in order to continue the cultivation of the long-term success of the community which surrounds the new Walter Reed Navy Hospital. The BRAC Implementation Committee provides the opportunity for the Navy and Defense Department to engage productively with the community and other institutions in the area, as well as tracking the allocation (or lack) of dollars to this project. Mr. Leggett has advised that he supports the continuation of this Committee beyond September 2011, the implementation date of the relocation.

CCV residents are encouraged to visit [www.chevyCHASEview.org](http://www.chevyCHASEview.org) for links to BRAC related websites. Montgomery County's BRAC website is updated weekly and there is important information available for review. Walter Reed Navy Hospital is scheduled to open September 2011.

**Discussion of Montgomery County Police Contract:** Mike Plantamura reported that Assistant County Attorney Snoddy advised that the police service and the County Police budget office is not able to provide a specific figure for actual cost of the police service because it cannot be determined at this time which officer(s) would be doing the patrols within CCV. Mr. Snoddy did, however, provide the ***average*** cost of overtime (salary and fringe) for the PO III and Corporal level positions. The average overtime costs for FY11 is \$55.76/hour for a PO III and \$68.10/hour for a Corporal. Additionally, the County is requiring that CCV compensate the County for the cost for use of the police vehicle and for the County's administrative costs. The County Police's budget motor pool number for a marked police cruiser (FY11) is \$11,727 annually or \$5.64/per hour (based on a 2080 hour work year). This hourly rate is included in the pending agreement as well as is a charge for the cost for administrative overhead, which is 3% of the aggregate cost for all services.

The Council asked Ron Bolt to confirm with Mr. Snoddy that the County would agree to December 1, 2010 as the effective date for the contract, with MCPD to begin providing services in CCV under the new contract as soon thereafter as police officers' shifts could be scheduled. Mr. Plantamura stated that the Council has flexibility with the new contract because it does not commit the Town to specific hour/dollar totals. The

Council will review the police hours billed after the initial three months of the contract to determine the average hourly rate of officers who sign up for the CCV duty.

Mr. Plantamura asked Ron Bolt to clarify in writing that officers serving CCV would not bill their hours to CCV to the extent any officers were called out of the Town on an emergency during their scheduled shift within CCV.

**Fall 2010 Planting Report and Discussion Regarding CCV Consulting Arborist:** Lulu Gonella reported that CCV planted six (6) new trees for the Fall 2010 planting, with a total of seven (7) which includes the cherry tree replaced by the homeowner of 4204 Dresden Street. Lulu has interviewed consulting arborist, Paul Wolfe of Integrated Care, to potentially to work with CCV. She will be meeting with him on November 23 to discuss the range of services needed by CCV. Mr. Wolfe has also agreed to attend the December 13 Arbor Committee Meeting. Lulu believes that Mr. Wolfe's firm can provide CCV with backup in the event that Myers and Laws has a scheduling conflict with maintenance issues.

**Holiday Letter for Refuse/Recycling Personnel:** The Council is pleased to announce the initiation of a Community Holiday Gift Fund for our refuse and recycling personnel. In January of this year, CCV residents Lynn Bailets and Alicia Klaffky proposed this Fund as they have tried over the past several years to recognize the personnel, but have found it difficult to 'catch' the men when they are making pick-ups and to be certain that there is recognition for all the regular personnel.

The Fund gives residents a convenient and secure way to convey their thanks and to send Season's Greetings to those who provide vital services to our Town throughout the year. If you would like to make a contribution to the fund, an envelope will be included with the flyer announcing the Community Holiday Gift Fund for your convenience in mailing your contribution. **Checks should be made payable to the Town of Chevy Chase View, with a notation in the check memo section indicating "Holiday Gift Fund".** Please make your contributions **by Friday, December 17**, so we can present the checks before the holidays. Our plan will be to split the amount collected by December 17 among the regular crew members mentioned above who serve our Town. All contributions will be accepted – any contributions received after December 17 will be rolled into next year's gift fund.

Mike Greene arrived at 8:07 pm, as he had an earlier scheduling conflict.

**Other New Business:** Jana Coe reported that Pepco's tree trimming contractor has identified a right-of-way that has wires wrapped around the trunk which are causing damage to the tree. Jana Coe will contact the homeowner requesting removal of the wires.

WSSC's lining of the lateral connections in the 4200 block of Franklin Street should be completed by the end of November. The permanent patches as well as milling and paving of this section of road will be completed in the Spring of 2011, as the weather does not allow for asphalt application at this time. WSSC has agreed to cover the cost of this restoration work.

WSSC has begun the replacement of the sewer line and nine lateral connections in the 3900-4100 block of Dresden Street. This work will be completed within five to six weeks. WSSC has agreed to work with CCV to cover the cost of the mill and asphalt overlay in the Spring 2011.

**Motion to Adjourn:** At 8:20 p.m., Lulu Gonella moved the meeting be adjourned. Mike Greene seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Time and Place of Next Meeting:** The Council will meet next for its monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jana Coe, Town Manager

## NOTES and REMINDERS:

**Weekly Leaf Removal in Effect until January 15, 2011:** Weekly leaf removal (weather permitting) is underway! Leaves are to be placed at curbside and made accessible for truck pickup. Leaves should not be shredded or bagged. Residents who would like to have their backyards or gutters cleared of leaves may make their own arrangements with Bethke or any other landscaping firm. For the residents on Connecticut Avenue, Cedar Lane and Saul Road, your leaves also will be picked up weekly. Please rake your leaves to the sidewalk. For liability reasons, do not place leaves on our sidewalks. In the event that you do not have a sidewalk, please rake your leaves as close to the street as possible.

**Application for Building Permit** – Building Permit Applications for consideration at the December 15, 2010, meeting must be fully perfected by 5:00 p.m. on December 1, 2010. 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 bulk pick-up is scheduled for the first **Saturday of every month, with the next pick-up on December 4, 2010**. As a reminder, heavy refuse includes major appliances (must have Freon removed), furniture, large toys, bicycles, and plumbing fixtures. Excluded are batteries, propane tanks, bricks, 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.

**Website** - Please visit our website at [www.chevychaseview.org](http://www.chevychaseview.org).

**Listserv** – Please consider becoming a member of the CCV listserv. Send an email to [ChevyChaseViewNet-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ChevyChaseViewNet-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). As a reminder, the ChevyChaseViewNet listserv is not intended to be used by residents to contact the Town Manager or Council members. For the latter, please use the appropriate telephone number or email address for the Town Manager or Town Council member(s). To ensure the most timely response on matters related to Town business or the Chevy Chase View Council, your inquiries are best directed to the Town Manager at [ccviewmanager@verizon.net](mailto:ccviewmanager@verizon.net) or by calling 301-949-9274.

**Trash Pickup** – CCV provides backyard trash pickup. Please do not take your cans to the curb. Thank you.

**Overgrowth on CCV Sidewalks**: Residents are reminded to cut back all shrubbery that protrudes into the adjacent sidewalks on their property. Pedestrians should have access to the full width of the sidewalk.

**Pick Up After Your Pets**: Please clean up after your pets. Several complaints have been received.

**Storm Drains**: If there is a storm drain adjacent to your property, would you mind helping us out? If you could clear the accumulated debris occasionally, it will be better to add this debris to the weekly yard pickup as opposed to ending up in the Chesapeake Bay! Thank you.