

COUNCIL OF CHEVY CHASE VIEW
Monthly Meeting

Date: April 21, 2010
Place: Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland
Present: Mike Plantamura, Chair; Coral Bell, Lulu Gonella, Martie Mitchell, Council members
Jana Coe, Town Manager
Ron Bolt, Legal Counsel to Chevy Chase View
Alan Beal, Building Permit Administrator

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

Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2010 Monthly Meeting and Waiver Hearing #10-3-1

(Rickman): Coral Bell moved that the minutes of the March 24, 2010 meeting and Waiver Hearing #10-3-1 (Rickman) be approved. Lulu Gonella seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Financial Report for March 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010: Martie Mitchell moved that the financial report for March 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010 be accepted. Coral Bell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Council Member Walk: Lulu Gonella reported that CCV is gorgeous when it is in full bloom this time of year. Jana Coe will advise the two applicants of the latest waivers to remove the waiver signage in front of their homes.

Application for Fence Permit – (4017 Franklin Street - Scott): Timothy Scott applied to construct an 8-foot deer fence around the rear and sides of his property at 4017 Franklin Street. In addition, a white PVC fence will be constructed in the front yard. CCV building regulations allow for the taller fence in the rear, but require the portion of the fence in front of the main building to be no taller than 4 feet. The proposed fence complies with the CCV building regulations. Coral Bell moved that the application for the fence at 4017 Franklin Street be approved. Martie Mitchell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Application for Fence Permit – (4028 Franklin Street - Spruill): Jeffrey Spruill has applied to construct a 6-foot board-on-board fence to be installed on top of a new retaining wall at the rear and left side of his property at 4028 Franklin Street. The proposed fence complies with the CCV building regulations. Martie Mitchell moved that the application for the fence at 4028 Franklin Street be approved. Coral Bell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Application for Fence Permit – (4201 Dresden Street - Kirsch): Pete and Patty Kirsch applied to construct a fence around the front and sides of their property at 4201 Dresden Street. Lulu Gonella moved the application be approved with the condition that no portion of the fence between the Summit Avenue front lot line and the front building restriction line will be more than 4 feet in height. Coral Bell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

BRAC Report: Lulu Gonella reported that the Montgomery County Department of Transportation held a public hearing on April 14, 2010, to share the plans for the Cedar Lane Bridge. The plans currently propose one (1) 11-foot southbound lane and two (2) 11-foot northbound lanes. The existing western southbound lanes will be converted into a shared-use path (12'8"). Construction will begin in the spring of 2011 and conclude in August 2011. Lulu Gonella and Mike Plantamura both expressed concern about traffic backup that could result from the elimination of one of the existing southbound lanes.

Residents are encouraged to visit www.chevy ChaseView.org for links to BRAC related websites. Montgomery County's BRAC website is updated weekly and there is important information available for review.

Report on Safe Route to School Grant/SHA Design Plan Progress: Jana Coe reported that SHA has invited CCV Council members to SHA's April 26, 2010 presentation to municipal government officials of the final construction plan for Connecticut Avenue (Saul Road to Washington Street) sidewalk project. A tentative date of May 17 (2:00 pm to 6:00 pm) has been set for SHA to meet with all affected homeowners to discuss specific details for their property. SHA will be sending an invitation in late April directly to these homeowners.

FEMA Reimbursement for Snow Removal Expenses in December 2009: Jana Coe reported the FEMA reimbursement application has been completed for the eligible December 2009 snow storm expenses. The total submitted costs were \$4,722.65. CCV can expect to receive 75% reimbursement of this amount (approximately \$3,542.00) within the next two months. The February 2010 storms have yet to receive the federal disaster designation.

Report of Nominating Committee for May 13, 2009 Elections: Doug McDaniel, chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported to Jana Coe that three candidates have been nominated for the May 13, 2010 election.

Appreciation to Martie Mitchell: Mike Plantamura thanked Martie Mitchell for her valuable contribution of service for four years as a CCV Council member. Martie contributed many, many hours to the Connecticut Avenue lighting effort, speed camera installation/finalized MOU and the general business of overseeing the activities of a municipal government.

Motion to Adjourn: At 8:10 p.m., Martie Mitchell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Lulu Gonella seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: The Council will meet next for its monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland.

Respectfully submitted,
Jana Coe, Town Manager

Application for Building Permit – Building Permit Applications for consideration at the April 21, 2010, meeting must be fully perfected by 5:00 p.m. on April 7, 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 next bulk pick-up will be **Saturday, May 1, 2010**. As a reminder, heavy refuse includes major appliances, furniture, large toys, bicycles, plumbing fixtures and up to two tires cut into 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.

Website - Please visit our website at www.chevychaseview.org.

Listserv – Please consider becoming a member of the CCV listserv. Send an email to 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 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.