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Section 5 Council

Greg Chernack, Chairman
Scott Livingston, Vice-Chairman
Maryann Luongo
Nancy Pines, Building Inspector
Patricia Xeller, Secretary

Important Section Dates

- ◆ Saturday, June 2
Bulk Trash Collection
- ◆ Saturday, June 9
Community Shredding Event
(See Page 3 for details.)
- ◆ Tuesday, June 12
Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at
the Village Hall
- ◆ Wednesday, 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 1. The Council recommended a budget of \$486,625 in expenditures (based on projected revenues of \$620,524). 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. Incumbent Scott Livingston will serve another two year term, as well as a new Council member, Maryann Luongo. Maryann will take the spot vacated by Chris Richardson, who decided not to run for re-election. The Council would like to thank Chris for his many years of dedicated service to Section 5. Chris has been a steady and committed Council Chair. The Section is grateful for his willingness to serve. Council member Greg Chernack will succeed him as Council Chair.

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 thorough a rebate to each resident's upcoming year's property tax bill (these bills are received by residents in July 2018).

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.

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@chevychase5.org

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. We'll 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 and hamburgers 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, ponies, and more! 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!



June 9 - Shred Event

Section 5 will join with Martin's Additions and Section 3 for a Community Shred Event Saturday, June 9 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. A truck will be at Taylor Street and Brookville Road between LaFerme Restaurant and the Brookville Market. Cars should line up on Taylor Street (in Section 3) facing east and you will be waved across Brookville when the truck is ready to take your



materials. They will unload your car. Please take care to remove any metal objects (not staples but metal clasps, loose leaf binders, etc.) that would clog and stop the shredding machine. Households are asked to limit their shredding to a five box total.

Pedestrian Crosswalk Safety on Connecticut Avenue

Just a friendly reminder that even signal-lighted crosswalks, such as the one on Connecticut Avenue between Williams and Woodbine, should always be approached with care. Given the heavy traffic on Connecticut Avenue, one should never assume that all cars will stop.

When crossing, be certain to look both ways before stepping into the street. If you see a car driving fast, do not step into the street until they completely stop.

Never text or play on your phone while walking across the street.

Remember and appreciate that drivers can be unpredictable!

Building Permit Notices

Building Permits Issued:

- ◆ 2 Alden Court - New Fence / Permit Approved
- ◆ 7107 Brookville - Addition of a Deck and Steps / Permit Approved
- ◆ 3817 Woodbine Street - Construction Dumpster / Permit Approved

Variance and Special Permit Requests:

- ◆ 7203 Connecticut Avenue - Request to expand an existing driveway turn-around that would increase the non-vegetative surface area in the front yard beyond the 35% surface area allowed.

*This appeal will be heard by the Town Council at the June 12 meeting. The variance request file is available for inspection upon request.

Tree Permit Removals

- ◆ 3817 Leland Street - Private Tree Removal
- ◆ 3518 Thornapple Street - Private Tree Removal

Do I Need a Permit?

Most renovations, sheds or accessory buildings, fences, driveway projects, patio projects, and drainage projects including sump pumps 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 Signs

In the next few weeks, new metal Section 5 traffic signs will be installed on most Section streets that intersect with Connecticut Avenue and Brookville Road. The signs help the various utility and cable companies identify which municipal jurisdiction to contact for permitting purposes.

There will also be a new convex traffic mirror installed on the east side of Brookville Road where it intersects with Williams Lane.

Did You Know?

Section 5 follows Montgomery County Animal Control Laws and Services. A full list of the County and State Animal Control Laws can be found here. www.montgomerycountymd.gov/animalservices/asd/laws.html

Please take special note of the following:

- ◆ Dogs should not be allowed to defecate on another individual's private property. *Dogs may defecate in the public right-of-way if the owner removes the feces immediately.*
- ◆ A dog is at large if it is outside the owner's premises and not leashed. Exclusions are made for service animals, and dogs using designated County dog exercise areas.
- ◆ An owner must not allow an animal to enter private property without the property owner's permission.

**Last Chance!
Neighborhood Wine Tasting
Saturday, June 2**

All Section 5 residents are invited.
\$20 per person

Event Contact: Andra Chernack
arccc3@gmail.com

All registrations must be received by
May 30.

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](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/chevychase.html)

MVA on Wheels

Need to get your license renewed? Get new tags for your license plate?

The MVA mobile service bus will visit the Friendship Heights Village Center (4433 South Park Avenue in Chevy Chase) between **10 a.m. and 2 p.m.**, on the following dates:

Monday, July 30

Monday, August 20

For more information or to see a full list of MVA services provided,
call (301) 656-2797 or visit www.FriendshipHeightsmd.gov