



# THE QUARTERLY

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## Section 5 Council

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

## Important Section Dates

- ◆ Tuesday, April 21  
Council Meeting  
at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall
- ◆ Friday, April 10  
Deadline for nominations to  
be received for Town Council
- ◆ Tuesday, May 12  
Annual Meeting  
at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall
- ◆ Tuesday, June 9  
Council Meeting  
at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall

## Town Council COVID-19 Update

In light of the ongoing developments as result of Covid-19 (Coronavirus), Section 5 has decided to move our April and May Council meetings to later in those months. Please note the new Council meeting dates are as follows:

- ◆ Tuesday, April 21 - April Council Meeting
- ◆ Tuesday, May 12 - ANNUAL MEETING

We will continue to actively monitor the situation, and if adjustments need to be made, we will update residents accordingly. Since changes may occur last minute, please make certain the Town Manager has an updated email on file for your household.

Residents should continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Maryland Department of Health, and Montgomery County Health Department for news and advice on next steps. Should you or a member of your household believe that you have symptoms (fever and cough) or if you have been in close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, you should call your health care practitioner or the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services' Disease Control Office to speak with a nurse at (240) 777-1755. If you are unable to get through, call the state's Infectious Disease Bureau at (410) 767-6700 (daytime) or (410) 795-7365 (after hours).

## Annual Election Notice

Two of the five seats on the Town Council are up for election this spring. Any person wishing to place his/her name on the ballot as a candidate must be a resident of Section 5, and a registered voter in the State of Maryland. All candidate nominations must be received in writing by the Town Manager on or before April 10.

Current Council members whose terms expire in May include: Scott Livingston and Maryann Luongo. Maryann is running for re-election. Scott Livingston has decided not to run again.

Should the number of qualified candidates equal the number of available seats, the candidates will be declared elected at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 12. Please email the Town Manager with any questions.

## SECTION 5 OF THE VILLAGE OF CHEVY CHASE

### Important Tax Return Information (MD Form 502)

Each year the most significant source of Section 5 revenue is received through our residents' paid income taxes. This money goes directly to services benefitting you and our community. To ensure that the state allocates the money correctly, it is critical when you complete the MD income tax return you list:

**Section 5** as the *Maryland Political Subdivision*

**1616** as the *Digit Political Subdivision Code*

Please make sure to share this information with anyone who might help you prepare your taxes.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE: Recycling Schedule Change

As a reminder, Section 5's recycling collection day has permanently moved from Monday to Wednesday. All other trash and yard debris collections remain the same. See below for the updated schedule. The Section 5 website and directory will be updated accordingly.

- ✦ Monday - Yard Debris (curbside)
- ✦ Tuesday - Trash (rear/side yard)
- ✦ Wednesday - Recycling (curbside)
- ✦ Friday - Trash (rear/side yard)

The change in schedule was necessary to continue using Montgomery County Sanitation and Recycling, our long-time valued contractor and crew.

### Welcome to New Residents

Are you new to Section 5? Please contact the Town Manager at [manager@chevychasesection5.org](mailto:manager@chevychasesection5.org) so that we can welcome you appropriately!

### Building Permits

- ✦ 3614 Thornapple Street - Remove the existing asphalt driveway, and replace it with a permeable paver surface driveway / Permit Approved
- ✦ 3709 Thornapple Street - Install a new drainage system to capture storm water run-off from re-directed gutter downspouts / Permit Approved
- ✦ 3816 Williams Lane - Repair and re-level the existing rear yard patio / Permit Approved

#### 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.

### Tree Removal Permits

- ✦ 3809 Thornapple Street - Private Tree Removal

### Watering Instructions for Fall Free Tree Program

In late April the Section arborist, Dr. Tolbert Feather, will contact residents who received trees this past fall through the Section's Free Tree Program. He will distribute gator bags to assist with watering, as well as detailed watering instructions.