COUNCIL OF CHEVY CHASE VIEW Monthly Meeting

Date: November 18, 2015

Place: Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland

Present: Paula Fudge, Chair; Coral Bell, Peter Marks and Ron

Sherrow, Council members

Jana Coe, Town Manager Ron Bolt, Legal Counsel

Joe Toomey, CCV Building Permit Administrator

Called Meeting to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Paula Fudge, Chair

Approval of Minutes of the October 21, 2015 Monthly Meeting: Paula Fudge moved the minutes of the October 21, 2015 monthly meeting should be approved. Coral Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

Council member Ron Sherrow joined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Financial Reports for Period October 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015:

Coral Bell moved that the financial reports for the period October 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015 should be accepted. Peter Marks seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

<u>Council Member Walk</u>: Ron Sherrow conducted the monthly Council member walk and noted some right-of-way areas that should be addressed. Jana Coe and Joe Toomey will follow up on Ron's detailed report.

Ratify Approval of CCV Permit No. 349-11001 - Deck - 4003 Everett Street (Prince): Karen and Kevin submitted a building application for the replacement and enlargement of an existing deck for their home at 4003 Everett Street, in the Town of Chevy Chase View. The application complies with all of the applicable rules and restrictions of the Chevy Chase View Municipal Code. Mr. Toomey's review is based upon the description of the project in their application, the Location Drawing by Central Maryland Surveyors, Inc., dated September 11, 1997, and the construction drawings by K. Prince, dated October 31, 2015. The scope of the project is to remove the deteriorated exterior rear deck, and replace it with a larger 11'-10" by 15'-0" deck. The deck will be located at the rear of the house and will be 25.9 feet from the left (west) property line, approximately 34 feet from the right (east) side property line, and approximately 122 feet from the rear property line. The required side property line setback is 15 feet, and the required rear yard setback is 25 feet.

Mr. Toomey recommended on November 9, 2015, that the Council should approve the application. The Council reviewed the package and voted via email to unanimously approve this application. A permit has been issued by the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services for this project. Paula Fudge moved that this CCV building permit approval be ratified. Coral Bell seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

The following CCV building permit summary was submitted by Joe Toomey, CCV Building Permit Administrator:

CCV Building Permit Summary for November 2015

Applications withdrawn by the application:

• 9805 Connecticut Avenue (Fixell) Deck - applied 10/7/15

Applications for a Building Permit granted interim approval between October 21, 2015 and November 18, 2015:

• 4003 Everett Street (Prince) Deck - applied 11/4/15, interim approval 11/10/15, issued 11/11/15

Applications on hold pending revisions to the plans:

• 4109 Dresden Street (Merz) Fence - applied 11/4/15

Approved applications awaiting issuance of CCV permit:

- 4213 Glenridge Street (Maloney) Retaining wall applied 7/20/15, approved 9/16/15
- 4205 Glenrose Street (Griffioen) Construction of a new home and rear yard garage applied 4/6/15, interim approval 6/1/15
- 9900 Summit Avenue (McCarthy) Shed applied 8/11/15, interim approval 8/27/15

Active and open permit construction projects:

- 10111 Cedar Lane (Francis/Hacking) Deck, fire pit, and pergola applied 8/1/15, issued 10/2/15
- 9819 Connecticut Avenue (Spry) Shed applied 5/5/15, approved 5/20/15, issued 6/29/15
- 4225 Dresden Street (Vaghi) Addition approved 5/21/14, time extension approved 11/19/14, issued 2/5/15
- 4003 Everett Street (Prince) Deck applied 11/4/15, interim approval 11/10/15, issued 11/11/15
- 4314 Glenrose Street (Green) Wall and fence interim approval 10/10/14, issued 10/10/14, extended 4/15/15
- 9900 Summit Avenue (McCarthy) Addition approved 9/17/14, extension approved 3/18/15, issued 7/1/15

Completed projects since the October Council meeting:

- 10111 Cedar Lane (Francis/Hacking) Construction of a new house approved 9/17/14, issued 11/24/14
- 4220 Dresden Street (Kehoe) Construction of a new house approved 11/19/14, revised 12/17/14, issued 1/5/15
- 4220 Dresden Street (Kehoe) Fence approved 4/15/15, issued 4/15/15
- 4220 Dresden Street (Kehoe) Pool approved 4/15/15, issued 4/15/15
- 4224 Dresden Street (4224 Dresden Street, LLC)
 Construction of a new house approved 11/19/14, issued
 12/15/14
- 4213 Glenridge Street (Maloney) Pool and fence applied 7/2/15, interim approval, 7/30/15, issued 8/4/15
- 4205 Glenrose Street (Griffioen) Demolition of an existing home applied 4/6/15, interim approval 6/1/15, issued 10/27/15, completed 11/5/15
- 4001 Saul Road (Gomez) Fence and deck applied 7/21/15, issued 10/2/15

East Dresden and Cleveland Street Lighting Proposal Update: Jana Coe reported the five (5) Neri lights for East Dresden Street and Cleveland Street were installed during the week of November 9th.

Comcast Franchise Renewal Update: Ron Bolt reported that the County met with municipal representatives to provide a revised proposal concerning the share of the Public, Educational, and Governmental (PEG) grant funds and HD channel capacity to be provided by Comcast in connection with the renewal of its cable television franchise agreement. Chevy Chase View has the option of receiving the PEG grant directly, or continuing to allow it to be paid to Maryland Municipal Cable (MMC). MMC was created by the municipalities that do not have their own cable channel. The Council unanimously agreed to continue to provide the PEG grant to MMC, and investigate more ways to make use of MMC's services. Ron explained that the County hopes to conclude the franchise renewal by March.

Fall 2015 Tree Planting Report: The third phase of the Fall 2015 right-of-way tree planting will be scheduled for the final week of November. Residents will be notified in advance of the planting date.

Paula Fudge, Jana Coe and Tom Laws met with the Pepco forestry representatives on Monday, November 16, 2015. In January 2016, Pepco's tree contractor (Asplundh) will be working in CCV.

Status of Character Study Presentation: The Council held its community presentation on November 12, 2015 to present the findings of the character study. This presentation was recorded by MMC (at no cost to the Town) and it will be aired within the next few weeks. Residents will be notified via the Town emailing as to the times/dates of the airing. The recording will also be available on the MMC website, after airing (http://www.mmctv.org/). Council members are requesting that residents share their opinions with the Council about the study. Comments can be submitted in writing or e-mail to the Town Manager at coviewmanager@verizon.net.

Continued Discussion of Community Police Summer Study

Presentation: After considerable discussion, the Council has concluded that it has studied this potential effort and will wait to see if residents request this service. The Council thanked Ron Sherrow for the time and research he put into researching this potential option.

FY2015 Audit Report: Jana Coe reported that Lindsey & Associates, CCV's auditing firm, has reported the state mandated municipal audit for FY2015 has been completed and filed with the Department of Legislative Services.

The following statement was issued by Lindsey & Associates: "In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Town of Chevy Chase View as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America".

Holiday Decoration Awards: Lisa Albright has once again offered to chair the holiday decoration awards for CCV. The holidays are fast approaching and it is once again time to spread some holiday cheer by decorating your homes! The holidays are special for everyone, so let's share that spirit across our neighborhood. It is also time to show your neighbors how much you appreciate their beautiful decorations by nominating them for CCV Holiday Home Decoration Recognition.

Here are the award categories that will be announced at the January 2016 Council meeting - Most Colorful, Most Artistic, Most Spectacular and Most Creative.

Other New Business: Paula Fudge asked the Town's attorney, Ron Bolt, to address the regulation of bamboo on private property. Mr. Bolt noted that the growth of bamboo is generally not regulated by the Chevy Chase View Code. Encroaching bamboo is typically a private matter, to be addressed by the neighbors

involved. Residents are encouraged to attempt to achieve an amicable resolution.

Property maintenance concerns including, e.g., infestations, may be reported to the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs (311). Also, CCV has the ability to issue citations and seek judicial and other remedies to address any public nuisances or violations of the CCV Code that may exist.

<u>Motion to Adjourn</u>: At 9:45 p.m., Coral Bell moved the meeting be adjourned. Paula Fudge seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

<u>Time and Place of Next Meeting</u>: The Council will meet next for its monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church, Kensington, Maryland.

Respectfully submitted, Jana Coe, Town Manager

NOTES AND REMINDERS -

Leaf Removal Ends December 31, 2015: Hughes Landscaping, Inc. will remove all leaves on a weekly basis, weather permitting, until December 31, 2015. After this date, please do not place leaves in the right-of-way/streets as they will not be removed and will impeded snow removal this winter. Leaves placed at the curb WILL NOT be removed after December 31, 2015.

Bulk Pick-Up - The next monthly bulk pick-up is scheduled on Saturday, December 7, 2015. 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.

Sign Up for eTownMailings: You can now receive the monthly CCV Council meeting minutes and other Council messages and important announcements from the Town Manager. This does not replace the CCV listserv. Go to the CCV website - on the front page under "Quick Links" - you will find the box that says "eTown Mailings". Enter your mail address in the white field, then hit "Go". This will take you to the website of our partner, Constant Contact. Re-type your email address in the box that says "Confirm your email address". Enter your first name, last name and street

address in the section titled "Your Information". Finally click the button at the bottom left that says "Save Profile Changes". After you have completed these steps, you will receive an email confirming your registration. Please note that when one member of your household registers for our electronic mailing list, we will discontinue mailing hard copies of these documents to your household.

<u>Storm Drains</u> - If there is a storm drain adjacent to your property, would you mind helping us out? If you could clear the accumulated debris from the grates 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.

<u>Listserv</u> - Please consider becoming a member of the CCV listserv. Send an email to <u>ChevyChaseViewNet-subscribe@yahoogroups.com</u>. 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 timeliest response on matters related to Town business or the Chevy Chase View Council, your inquiries are best directed to the Town Manager at <u>ccviewmanager@verizon.net</u> or by calling 301-949-9274.

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

Application for Building Permit - Building Permit Applications for consideration at the December 16, 2015, meeting must be submitted to the Town Manager by 5:00 p.m. on December 2, 2015. Please note that the review may take several days and an application is not considered perfected until the Town Building Permit Administrator completes his review. Please contact Jana Coe, Town Manager, at ccviewmanager@verizon.net or 301-949-9274.