

VILLAGE OF NORTH CHEVY CHASE
Council Meeting
September 19, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Shannon Dorman at 8:09 pm. Also present were Bob Weesner, Jim Grissom, Adrian Andreassi, Ambrose Liao and Nate Spiller; and other residents of the Village (list attached).

Council and village recognized Anne Cantrel and Cynthia Sexton for their service on the council.

Secretary's Report - The review of the July minutes deferred until next meeting.

Treasurer's Report – membership dues are higher than budget. Only membership is for MML. Due to rate increase. Clarified meaning of some of the entries (prop/local tax occurs primarily twice a year, revenue sharing better than expected, currently disputing Pepco's stranglehold on street lights (combining forces with other Chevy Chase villages)). Voted to accept the report without objection.

New Business:

1. Permit to construct a garage and deck at 8904 Clifford Avenue. No permits. Got delayed.
2. Permit to construct a fence at 8815 Kensington Pkwy. No permits. Got delayed.
3. Leaf removal contract. Contract cost increased \$378 from 2005 (from \$12600). Approved without objection to stay with Bethke Landscaping Inc.
4. Trash removal. We've received notice of 7% surcharge due to fuel costs on existing contract. The surcharge would be applied to the per house fees and not to the tipping fees (dump fees – which constitute a majority of the monthly bill). Will notify contractor that we agree to conditions, but will revisit if fuel costs change significantly.
5. Snow removal contract. Do not have proposal yet.
6. Village sign. Did some repairs on sign 4 or 5 years ago. It's still falling apart. Have a few estimates for new sign (\$865 - \$1025). Considering a synthetic material for sign. Will ask for sample and defer action until later meeting.
7. Discussed inviting winners of primary election for House of Delegates for October 17 meeting. Agenda items for meeting would be purple line, storm sewer dollar and county issues in general.
8. Moving the November 21 meeting to November 14.

Unfinished Business

1. Street repaving. Diverter on Stewart Dr currently being replaced. Should know schedule of repaving within the next few days. Discussed solving drainage problem at Montgomery Ave. and Stewart Driveway. Options are to regrade area or to channel water under road. Both cost essentially the same. However, if we

- channel water into existing storm drain, the village may end up being responsible for maintaining drain. Regrading to 1.3% grade. The next stage is curb and gutter work. Should be able to tie into regrading. Then do asphalt work. Should be in the November timeframe.
2. Mansionization. Shannon and Adrian met with some other municipalities. Garrett Park put out a blog and last comment indicated they're happy with county's position. State law says we can be more restrictive than county, but not less. Council may want to regulate development. Specifically, in cases houses built prior to 1928 are grandfathered with regard to setback. Can have 5 ft setback, as opposed to 8 ft. Council would like to prevent developers from tearing down houses and building to 5 ft line. Adrian asked for 3rd set of stamped plans to go to council. County denied request.
 3. Verizon Cable. New product FIOS. Would like to piggy back off of county agreement. Will present unified front with other villages. County has public hearing coming up September 28. If we go forward with it, we'd like to require a permit for installation due to poor track record of Verizon installation.
 4. Authorized the current members of the council as signatories to access the safety deposit box at Sun Trust Bank. Council members (Jim Grissom, Adrian Andreassi, Ambrose Liao, Nate Spiller, Bob Weesner, Shannon Dorman)

Other Business: none

Meeting adjourned 10:11pm