

## MAYOR'S MONTHLY MESSAGE-July 2024

Dear Neighbors,

-With the June election behind us, the Village is pleased to welcome our new Trustee Jedediah Turner who joins the Board of Trustees together with Deputy Mayor Michele Lindsay who was elected to a full two year term. The Deputy Mayor will continue to serve as the Village Budget Director and Trustee Turner will chair the newly-created Gate Security Committee which will meet with Chief Allen Faust to make recommendations to improve security at both the front and South gates.

-At the Village re-organization meeting on July 8, the chairs of the Planning Board and Board of Zoning Appeals, Jay H. Reichgott, P.E and Jake Lindsay were unanimously confirmed for 5 year terms as members and one year terms as chairs.


-There is presently a vacancy on the Board of Architecture Review (BAR) for a full 5 year term. The Board of Trustees is seeking interested applicants for the position who possess design, architecture or other relevant experience. The BAR meets twice a month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 5pm. Applicants should endeavor to be available on those days and time to meet in-person at Village Hall. If you are interested in volunteering to serve your community, please forward your CV to me at the e-mail address below by Friday, July 19.

-Road paving season has begun and the Capital Planning Committee has recommended and the Board of Trustees has approved, repaving of Circuit Road, Wee Wah Road from the Sewer Plant to the DPW yard and the Village Hall parking lot and access roads. The estimated cost for these projects is \$125,000 to be paid from a budget line of \$180,000.

-On July 9, Verizon Wireless returned to the Village and launched a balloon to a height consistent with the top of a cell tower and then drove through the Village taking photos at various vantage points to determine the visibility of any future tower. This will be followed in 4-8 weeks by a formal proposal from Verizon for construction of a tower at their cost. Upon receipt, the proposal will be shared with the entire community for discussion.

-The Wee Wah Park Committee sponsored a very successful "Touch a Truck" Day at the end of last month, which brought dozens of children to the park to enjoy the lights and sirens of police, fire and ambulance vehicles as well as heavy equipment from the DPW. A new ladder was installed on the floating dock thanks to the generous contribution of Village resident Joanna Karbowska. The Committee has also re-installed a basketball backboard and net at the Park.

-As you may have seen in the media, the region is suffering from numerous algae blooms that have caused temporary lake closures. Pond #3 has algae blooms that will be treated shortly by Solitude Lake Management, as was performed last summer.

  
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