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# Newington Community Association Monthly Newsletter **JANUARY 2021**

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# NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

January 6, 2021 February 3 March 3

#### President's Corner By Debby Ramirez

As we say Good-Bye to 2020 and we optimistically prepare to receive the new year with enlightened hope that this life changing pandemic will soon be behind us. Let's continue to believe that our lives as is will soon be a segment of the past.

A few friendly reminders, home assessments are due on January 1<sup>st</sup> please be sure to update the quarterly amounts, townhouses \$266.12 and single-family homes \$215.90. Payments can be mailed or paid online.

On snow days be sure to check the NCA website at <a href="www.newingtoncommunity.org">www.newingtoncommunity.org</a> for changes to the trash schedule. If service is cancelled the trash needs to be brought back in. To be added to our email distribution database, send an email to: <a href="mailto:announcement@newingtoncommunity.org">announcement@newingtoncommunity.org</a>. The Board is discussing means of developing increased communications.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, as the end of the year transitions into the next we look forward to continuously supporting you and our community needs. We wish you prosperity and that the New Year brings good tidings.

# **Newsletter Distributors Needed**

If you are interested in delivering newsletters once a month to the residents on Godolphin, Matisse, Eucalyptus or Dampier Courts, please contact the Community Manager for details. Call 703-455-3606.

#### **NEWINGTON STATION DIRECTORY**

http://www.newingtoncommunity.org

#### NCA COMMUNITY OFFICE

P. O. Box 351 Springfield, VA 22150 703-455-3606 / Fax 703-455-0013

Tuesdays 9:30 am - 2:30 pm Fridays 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

\*\* Call first before heading to the office\*\*

Community Manager: Lori Randall, CMCA, AMS with Summit Management (703-945-1425)
Assistant Community Manager: Tina Queen Email: manager@newingtoncommunity.org

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President – Debby Ramirez Term–elected 8-19 thru 8-22

Email: president@newingtoncommunity.org

**Note**: Email to NCA President is private and only read by the President.

Vice President – Regina Watson (Term: 8-19 thru 8-22)

Treasurer – Bobby Royal (Term: 8-19 thru 8-21)

Secretary – Karen Chauvin (Term: 8-18 thru 8-21)

Director – John Kylis (Term: 8-20 thru 8-23)

To send an email to the above Board members, use board@newingtoncommunity.org (this includes a copy to the Community Manager).

#### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Chair - TBN

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Chair - John Kylis

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chair - Bobby Royal

#### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair - Lou Tobat

#### MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Chair - Beth Rodriguez

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chair - Pam Rodriguez

#### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency	911				
Non-Emergency (Police & Fire)	703-691-2131				
Including barking dog complaints					
American Disposal Services	703-368-0500				
Animal Control/Shelter	703-830-1100				
Cox Cable	703-378-8422				
Domestic Violence Hotline	800-838-8238				
Dominion Towing	703-730-1177				
Dominion Energy	1-888-667-3000				
Fairfax Connector	703-339-7200				
www.fairf	axconnector.com				
Fairfax County <u>www.f</u>	fairfaxcounty.gov				
Fairfax County Housing Author	ity				
Selena Davis	703-704-6758				
Fairfax County Storm Water					
Management (not State streets)	703-877-2800				
Fairfax Water	703-698-5600				
Key Middle School	703-313-3900				
Lewis High School	703-924-8300				
Lorton Fire and Rescue	703-339-5141				
Lorton Landfill	703-690-1703				
Poison Control	202-625-3333				
Pool (emergencies only)	703-455-9873				
Saratoga Elementary School	703-440-2600				
Streetlights	1-888-667-3000				
Summit Management	703-360-0904				
Supervisor Dan Storck	703-780-7518				
Virginia Highway Department					
(Snow—State Roads Only)	703-383-8368				
Virginia Railway Express	-800-RIDE VRE				
Voter Information	703-222-0776				
West Springfield District Police	703-644-7377				

#### **Newsletter Distributors**

Karen Chauvin	Kelly Paul	
Mike Ferraris	Perritt Kids	
Fulcar Family	Ramirez Family	
Donna Hunholt	Lisa Robbins	
Zinta Michael	Roche Family	
Jeffrey Notestine	Regina Watson	
	Mike Ferraris Fulcar Family Donna Hunholt Zinta Michael	

Al Owens

#### Newington Station Update - Jim Fox & The Mason Group



#### Active:

- 1 townhome priced @ \$399,000
- 1 detached home priced @ \$599,000

#### **Under Contract:**

- 2 townhomes priced from \$355,000-425,000 Sold:
  - 1 townhomes with a sold price of \$405,000
- 1 detached home with a sold price of \$589,000

Please stay safe and healthy during the pandemic. We have extra masks and gloves for anyone in need~ Happy New Year!





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#### Stephen G. Yeonas

Stephen G. Yeonas, whose company built NCA, passed away peacefully at his home November 11, 2020, Veterans Day. He was born and raised and lived his entire life as a Washingtonian. He served in the Army from 1943-46 and when he returned from WW II, he established the Yeonas Company in Arlington Virginia with his three brothers, Gus, Jimmy, and Paul.

He and his brothers spent the next two decades building and developing more than 14,000 quality homes that are the cornerstone of our neighborhoods and communities. By 1972, The Yeonas Company became the No 1 builder of new homes in the Washington Metropolitan Area.

At his induction into The National Homebuilder Association Hall of Fame, he said and believed that, "Owning a home is the basic American Dream, basic to the security of our families, to the building of communities and ultimately, to our strength as a people and a nation."

Owners in NCA are fortunate that Mr. Yeonas and his brothers had a vision in building our beautiful community, with its green open spaces, wooded trails, tot lots, ball field, pool, and more. NCA is a tribute to their legacy.

#### **NCA** Website

The NCA website is an excellent source of information for the residents of Newington Community.

Besides rules and regulations, all forms, budgets, and assessment information is located on the website.

Whenever there is unplanned or last minute information such as trash cancellations, leaf removals, snow issues, special Board or Committee meetings, we will make every attempt to post that information on the NCA homepage.

Check it out.

www.newingtoncommunity.org

#### Draft

NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors Video Conference Call, Meeting ID: 149 375 2705 December 2, 2020 7:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Ramirez.

The meeting was recorded.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Debby Ramirez, Vice President Regina Watson, Secretary Karen Chauvin, and Director John Kylis. Treasurer Bobby Royal was absent.

MANAGEMENT PRESENT: Lori Randall

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** 2 residents

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** President Ramirez hoped that everyone had a nice Thanksgiving, despite the pandemic and limitations. She hoped everyone would enjoy the upcoming holidays and be safe.

#### **COMMUNITY FORUM:**

A resident expressed thanks to the Board for carrying on during the pandemic. He also asked whether letters would be sent to those who had requested spaces in the fenced parking lot. Letters are being mailed, but NCA is having computer issues, which has slowed the process.

#### **HEARINGS:**

No hearings were scheduled.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** See Meeting Motions.

#### **OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee — As reported by Community Manager Lori Randall Financial highlights as of 10/31/20.

Total cash in operating accounts - \$220,052
Operating reserves - \$145,370, (100% invested)
Reserve Assets - \$195,354 (\$48,746 in common and \$146,609 in streets)
Liquid assets - \$144,354
Investments - \$51,000 in treasury notes

#### **Committee Reports**

# Environmental Committee – John Kylis Fall Clean-Up Day was held on November 14, 2020. A Big Thank You to Joyce who volunteered to assist in the cleanup. Three large garbage bags of litter were

collected from the wooded areas.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2021, and Clean-Up day is tentatively scheduled for March 20, 2021. A Clean-Up Day application was submitted to CleanFairfax.org for assistance in obtaining supplies (vests, gloves, bags).

#### **Planning & Development** – Lou Tobat

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted to approve the agreement with Alpine-X for the Fairfax Peak project, which will eventually create more than 1,300 jobs. According to the Board, this will lead to the construction of "one of the largest indoor ski facilities in the world." The plan approval did not specify where the ski slope project would be built; however, the agreement does allow more on-site research and "feasibility" studies.

#### Reserves & Maintenance Planning Committee – Beth Rodriguez

No report.

<u>Recreation Committee</u> – Pam Rodriguez No report.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS – MANAGEMENT RE-PORT:

<u>Votes Held Between Meetings</u> – Lori Randall, Management None

## <u>Homeowner Communications</u> – Lori Randall, Management

- Resident expressed interest in restarting the Neighborhood Watch. [Suggested resident provide written goals and plans. Vice President Watson volunteered to assist with the project.]
- Dead tree behind 7842 Godolphin. [Tree contractor has taken care of it.]
- Question on yard sales in NCA. [They are allowed on private property, but not on common ground.]
- Resident reported carvings on a tree that concerned her. [Suggested sandpaper, and shared her concern with the Environmental Committee.]
- Resident felt tree contractor damaged grill and grill cover. [Followed up with contractor to make sure all was satisfied.]
- Branches fell on Moline median and a dead tree was resting on another. [Tree has been taken care of.]
- Trash can at Luce tot lot not emptied again. [Contractor promised a field supervisor would be involved.]
- Communications with resident who felt street contractor cracked her sidewalk. [Plan was for contractor to

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replace sidewalk pad when in the area on another project. Pad replacement did not occur in October. Further follow up will occur in Spring.]

- 2 lights out on Euclid. [Will be reported.]
- In Summit's new computer system, the 'homeowner list' under the Board information directory has account balances. [This field has been removed.]
- Complaint of a dead tree behind home on Moline. [Management will follow up.]
- Seller of a property in NCA wants the Association to send a violation letter to current owner for not completing exterior work escrowed at sale. [Violation should be cited at next annual inspection.]
- Car on Brandeis that doesn't move from blank space. [Picture taken and will be monitored.]

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Maintenance Reserve Funds Streets
- Engineering specifications for Euclid/Getty/ LeMoyne street renovations in 2021. Contract with GJB for \$4,950 signed. Tabled until specifications report is received.
- Community Survey Eleven responses have been received and are being tallied. Signs will be posted in mid–December reminding residents that responses must be received by December 31, 2020.
- Exterior Project Forms Tabled until January 2021.
- Email Distribution List Tabled to January 2021.
- Use of Association Email by Committees Tabled to January 2021.
- Website Streamlining Tabled to January 2021.
- Committees The Board reviewed a draft committee charter and provided comments. A revised charter will be provided to the Board for final review and comments.
- Architectural Standards Revision Motion made on the matter.
- Meeting Signs Motion made on the matter.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Formal Complaint The Board received a formal complaint stating that "NCA does not provide a reasonable, effective, and free method for lot owners to communicate among themselves and the Board of Directors in violation of Virginia POA 55.1–1817." The Board discussed existing options for such communication which include Letters to the Editor of the NCA Newsletter, Community Forum during the monthly Board meetings, and emails to the Board. Motion made on the matter.
- Maintenance 2021 Operating Funds Each Board member will review the current list of maintenance items and select those with the highest priority for discussion at the next meeting.
- Three new agenda items were identified for the Janu-

ary 2021 Board meeting: adding a section on security cameras to the Architectural Standards; discussion on reinstating the NCA Welcoming Committee; and colors for staining brick.

#### **MEETING MOTIONS**

- 1. Minutes of the November 4, 2020 Board meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. Motion: To approve revisions to the Architectural Standards as published in the November newsletter.

Made by Director Kylis, Seconded by President Ramirez.

Vote: 4 Yes 0 No.

3. Motion: To make a final determination on the formal complaint that no NCA action is necessary as existing communication options meet the requirements of the Virginia Property Owners' Association Act.

Made by President Ramirez, Seconded by Director Kylis.

Vote: 4 Yes 0 No.

4. Motion: To purchase 3 letter board signs at a cost not to exceed \$450.

Made by Vice President Watson, Seconded by Director Kylis.

Vote: 4 Yes 0 No.

5. Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Made by President Ramirez, Seconded by Vice President Watson.

Vote: 4 Yes 0 No.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Board adjourned at 10:01 pm.

Minutes prepared by Secretary Chauvin.

#### American Disposal Live Christmas Tree Pick-Up Schedule

- Christmas trees will be picked up the first two Wednesdays in January.
- Please do not place Christmas trees in plastic bags. Before putting your tree out for pickup, please remove all tinsel, lights, and decorations.

# Community News & Reminders

#### **NEW 2021 HOA FEES**

The Newington Community Association Board of Directors has passed the 2021 Budget. Quarterly assessments in 2021 will be:

Town Homes \$ 266.12 Single Family Homes \$ 215.90

There is a \$2.64 increase for townhomes and \$2.13 increase for single family homes. Quarterly assessments are DUE on the first day of the month in January, April, July, and October. Check the NCA website (<a href="www.newingtoncommunity.org">www.newingtoncommunity.org</a>) for additional financial information.

First quarterly payment due: January 1, 2021

#### HOLIDAY DECORATION REMINDER

Just a reminder that Holiday decorations are permitted on the exterior of a home thirty (30) days prior and thirty (30) days after a major holiday.



# NO TIRES and NO PAINT CANS (Household Items Only\*)

AND The trash contract with American Disposal prohibits paint cans and tires. No one wants to see them for weeks out on common grounds. Please deposit these items (\*from NCA homes only, not from businesses) at the NCA office, between the bike rack and pool fence, so they can be properly discarded.



- **So** Use flame resistant or flame retardant holiday decorations
- Keep candles away from other decorations or things that can burn
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles
- Be sure to use indoor and/or outdoor lights properly (some are not intended for both)
- Replace any lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulbs
- Do not use nails when hanging lights
- For Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Before heading to bed, blow out candles and turn off all lighted decorations

Stay safe this holiday season!

#### NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

\*\*\* At Newington Station \*\*\*
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703-455-3606; Fax 703-455-0013; www.newingtoncommunity.org

#### EXTERIOR PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Submit form for any exterior addition, alteration, modification or change

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# Free No obligation Home Valuation

#### Who do you know that is looking to buy or sell?

I am always happy to sit down with people to chat about what their home is worth, how much work to get it on the market and what is involved in the buying and selling process. Give me a call at 703-338-1706 and I am happy to answer any real estate questions you have.

Call Sarah at 703-338-1706 or email at sarah@sarahjernigan.com with questions







\*If your property is currently listed with another broker , please disregard this notice. It is not our intention to solicit the offerings of other brokerages.

## NCA Calendar

### JANUARY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Trash Timing: Monday & Thursday - Placed out for pick- up NO EARLIER than 5pm. Tuesday & Friday - Placed out for pick-up NO LATER than 6am. Bulk pick-up must be pre- arranged due to COVID-19 restrictions. Call 703-368- 0500 to schedule bulk items.		Yard debris is on Fridays for all NCA homes.		1 VEAR FCPS Schools Closed NO TRASH PICK-UP	2	
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		Trash & Recycling	7PM NCA Board Mtg (see website for location/details)	White Goods Pickup <sup>1</sup>	Trash & Bulk  NO RECYCLING	
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31	FCPS No School - Teacher Workday	Trash & Recycling		White Goods Pickup <sup>1</sup>	Trash & Bulk  NO RECYCLING	

**NOTE:** \*Yard Debris for single family homes occurs on Fridays with regular trash. <sup>1</sup>White Goods pick-up, for a cost to residents, on Thursdays (i.e., refrigerators, dishwashers, etc.). Contact American Disposal 24 hours in advance at 703-368-055. See NCA Trash Policy at: <a href="http://newingtoncommunity.org/wp-content/uploads/Trash-Policy-Final-Revised-1-8-20-1.pdf">http://newingtoncommunity.org/wp-content/uploads/Trash-Policy-Final-Revised-1-8-20-1.pdf</a>.