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NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

January 4
February 1
March 1
April 5

PRESIDENT'S CORNER By John Kylis

Happy New Year! I hope everyone was able to enjoy time with family and friends over these past couple of weeks.

Welcome to the first fully electronic edition of the NCA monthly newsletter. Just a reminder that every newsletter will be available on our website www.newingtoncommunity.org. Paper copies will still be available upon request to pick-up at the NCA office.

Another reminder - assessments are due January 1, 2023. Quarterly dues are as follows:

Townhomes: \$300.81

Single Family Homes: \$246.56

As the winter season continues - remember to keep your walkways clear of any ice or snow. Please help any neighbors - if they are unable to clear their own walkways. If you live near a fire hydrant, please help dig it out if there is a lot of snow for the fire department to quickly find in an emergency.

From all of us on the NCA Board of Directors, we look forward to serving you this year and hope you have a wonderful 2023!

NCA Monthly Board Meetings

Join the NCA Board meetings, virtually, on the first Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 4, 2023 staring at 7:00 pm.

To join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1493752705

Or Telephone: +1 (470) 869-2200

Meeting ID: 149 375 2705

Quarterly Assessments Due January 1, 2023

Quarterly homeowner assessment (HOA) fees are due by January 1, 2023. For questions, please contact Summit Management at 703-360-0904.

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 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

** Call first before heading to the office**

Community Manager: Lori Randall with Summit Management (703-945-1425) Assistant Community Manager: Tina Queen

Email: manager@newingtoncommunity.org

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Email: president@newingtoncommunity.org

Note: Email to NCA President is private and only read

by the President.

Vice President – John Woods (Term: 8-22 thru 8-25)

Treasurer – Phil Space (Term: 8-21 thru 8-24)

Secretary – Cate Reich (Term: 8-22 thru 8-25)

Director – Daniel Bojanini (Effective: 2-22 thru 8-24)

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 - Phil Space

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair - Lou Tobat

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Chair - Beth Rodriguez

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COMMITTEE

Chair - TBN

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chair - TBN

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Chair - Regina Watson

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

00210212221101	1,01,12_118				
Emergency	911				
Mental Health Emergency	988				
Non-Emergency (Police & Fire	e) 703-691-2131				
Including barking dog complaints					
Animal Control/Shelter	703-830-1100				
Domestic Violence Hotline	800-838-8238				
Dominion Towing	703-730-1177				
Dominion Energy	1-888-667-3000				
Fairfax Connector	703-339-7200				
www.fair	faxconnector.com				
Fairfax County <u>www</u>	fairfaxcounty.gov				
Fairfax County Housing Author	rity				
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				
Patriot Disposal	703-257-7100				
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	1-800-RIDE VRE				
Voter Information	703-222-0776				
West Springfield District Polic	e 703-644-7377				

Towing Enforced on NCA Private Streets



- Never park on a yellow curb or double park.
- Commercial vehicles are prohibited.
- Vehicles must be in running condition and display current safety inspections and registrations.

NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors Video Conference Call, Meeting ID: 149 375 2705 December 7, 2022 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President John Kylis, Vice President John Woods, Treasurer Phil Space, Director Daniel Bojanini, and Secretary Cate Reich

MANAGEMENT PRESENT: Lori Randall

OTHER ATTENDEES: 6 residents

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: There have been repeated complaints about the trash collection procedures, or lack thereof. Please see the FAQ on the website for proper trash collection protocol. Please inform your neighbors if you see them putting out trash incorrectly so trash is not left by the contractor.

COMMUNITY FORUM:

- A resident suggests at least 1-2 newsletters should go out each year as hard copy, believe most people in the community don't have internet access.
- A second resident wishes the newsletters would continue in hard copy because that's how it's been for 40 years.
- A resident noted the management report misrepresented the fact that the Bylaws were edited in 2016.
 Management clarified that the bylaws have been edited but not to allow what the resident claimed was allowed.
- A resident is concerned about a property covered by green vegetation growth.
- A resident wants the signs to note when newsletters are available.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

11/2/2022 – minutes will be revised to remove Tina's name from Management Present, approved with that change; passed by acclamation

OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer – Motion out of Committee to accept the 2022 audit. Votes 5 yes 0 no

Environmental – J. Kylis stated Clean Up Day was a success, Congrats to Nick R. for winning the \$100 raffle and special Thank You again to Cate R. and Ed and Martha P. for coming out!

Maintenance – No Report

Planning & Development – Happy Holidays to all and a safe New year.

Welcoming Committee – Oct/Nov new residents to get welcome packets. Dec residents to get packets in Jan/Feb. New magnets ordered.

Neighborhood Watch – Chair needed

GENERAL BUSINESS – MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Newington Community Association (NCA) Master Calendar

Votes Held Between Meetings

None

Financial Review

<u>Financial Highlights</u>. October financials were forwarded to the Board on November 17th.

CD expired 11/5/22. \$53,000 operating reserves.

Resale Inspections

1 reinspection

Towing

8 tows since last meeting.

Homeowner Communications

- A resident's concerns that annual meeting election votes are not made public, the bylaws allow management to hold an officer position, committee charters should be abolished, and there should be nine seats on the Board. [Anyone is welcome to the vote tallies and can obtain them by contacting the management office. The bylaws were not changed. The Board can pass a resolution if it wishes to change the number of Board seats.]
- Hill behind home has eroded and homeowner suggested a retaining wall. [The resident can consider building the retaining wall on their property. A similar concern was brought up in 2021 as well.]
- Dog allowed to defecate in common and other yards on Eucalyptus. [management asked for a picture]
- Rain water flows from the upper side of Luce Court to the lower side towards storm drain where resident lives then flows beneath cars at a fast, steady pace getting their feet wet when getting in the car. [management requested pictures.]
- Residents recycling was not picked up from Delong Drive. [cans must be placed out on private streets.]
- Resident extremely upset that trash was not picked up and believes American Disposal was better. [Styrofoam, wood and sink top cannot be placed on common grounds and be expected to be removed. Will call private hauler if necessary.]
- Holes in bottom of ballfield trash can and it is leaning. [Does the Board want the leaning can removed?] J. Woods to look at can for repairs.
- Repeated requests to have neighbor's tree pruned so it is not hanging over their home. [no letter found so new violation letter sent.]
- Resident called to say that a neighbor's dog bit her child while on common grounds and Animal Control Officer needs the Association to sign a letter allowing them to enforce the law. [Officer confirmed there are two parts to this situation. There can be a civil case to determine if the dog is a danger. That part of the case has been closed. To pursue the leash law, they are requesting a letter and policy on the matter. See New Business.]

Other Management Actions

- All Board members have signed the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest forms.
- Reported 2 watch lights out.
- LeMoyne project complete and invoices paid.
- Prepared and mailed annual assessment letters by due date.
- Reported multiple pool lights out to electrician.
- Registered with County's Plus system for online access to pool permits.
- Notified trash contractor that trash cans were being turned over, possibly because it was raining, but all trash in can was then on common grounds.
- Letters sent to those who applied and were renewed for pool parking spaces in the RV lot and those who did not submit renewals.
- Several letters were mailed to homeowners with trash violations in the community.
- Initiated getting updated signers on reserve account.

OLD BUSINESS

Maintenance – Operating

2023 Curb Painting

Management recommends having Brandeis, Gwynedd, Kitchener and possibly Durer fire lane curb painting done. Quotes to be obtained.

Pool signs

New signs will be installed in the spring.

Street signs

Signs ordered. Awaiting proposal for installation.

EV Charging Station Policy

Back to legal for final review, townhome EV Charging to be disallowed. Installation of EV Charge Stations to be installed in the community added to the agenda for January.

Trash Alternatives

Focus of Board will turn to enforcing the trash policy. Alternative collection methods will still be considered. Topic removed from agenda.

Management Contract

Association document management to be modernized. To look at the ARC submission/approval process to conform to Vantaca's document management capabilities. Migration of data to be discussed next month after ascertaining what format it is sent in from Vantaca and how it is transferred.

NEW BUSINESS

Pool Passes

HOA mobile applications to be considered.

<u>Maintenance – Reserves</u>

Moving forward with resurfacing Marconi and Jenner, to get the engineer's specifications report. Maintenance projects that are paid from reserves to be looked at in January.

Trash Policy

Revisions to be made to the trash policy with recent changes (no glass, townhome yard waste collection, etc.) Management to inquire on contradiction of information on no glass in with recycling as it is included in the contract.

Distribution Lists

Discussion on using both distribution lists (Vantaca and NCA website). It was also brought up that the Newsletter procedures will need revisions to be in sync with current decisions and will be added to the January agenda.

Animal Control

Updated letters to the County for Animal Control to enforce laws in our community were accepted. Additionally, the letter of renewal authorizing the police to enforce trespassing and vehicle laws on common was accepted.

Motions

Motion: For the engineer to provide a specification report for Marconi and Jenner not to exceed \$5,000. Made by Treasurer Space, second by President Kylis. Vote: 5 yes 0 no

Motion to approve policy resolution 2022-03 Regarding Authorization to Enforce Leash Laws in Common Areas renew the leash law and animal control letters. Made by President Kylis, second by Secretary Reich. Vote: 5 yes 0 no.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board Convened into Executive Session at 8:44 pm to discuss personnel matters. The Board reconvened to open session at 8:52

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 8:53 pm

Minutes prepared by President Kylis and Secretary Reich.

Community News & Reminders

HOLIDAY DECORATION REMINDER

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



Need Babysitting Services?

CPR and First Aid Certified. Contact Jenny Bach at <u>freinchy2@yahoo.com</u>.

Small Animal Pet Sitting and Dog Walking

Available to care for cats, hamsters, fish & small pets. Small to medium sized dogs, only **Call or text**: Abby 770-356-5605

Email: jennapeace@hotmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Maintenance Committee is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in serving, please call the NCA office at 703-455-3606.



Christmas Day and New Year's Day

Christmas Day and New Year's Day both fall on a Sunday and will have no impact on your regularly scheduled collections.

Christmas Tree Collection

Christmas trees will be collected during the first 2 weeks of January. Trees will be collected on your usual yard waste collection day. For NCA, our yard waste collection day is Saturday for all residents.

All trees must be placed on the curb with all tinsel/decorations removed and trees should not be placed in plastics bags. Collection of Christmas trees may be impacted by the national labor shortage; if a tree is placed curbside for collection on yard waste collection day and is not picked up, please leave it out at the curb and collection will be completed as soon as possible.





Loila's Daycare

Zoila Ortiz (703) 455-4282

Zoilasdaycare@gmail.com www.daycareresource.com/ZoilasDaycare.html

Attention Teenagers - Please Help If You Can

The NCA office occasionally receives calls from residents looking for teenagers or other residents who may be willing to volunteer to help rake leaves or shovel snow.

Contact the NCA office at 703-455-3606 to find out how you can help a neighbor in need.

Newington Station Update - The Mason Group



703-755-0296

Active:

1 detached home priced @ \$749,995

1 townhome priced @ \$435,000

Under Contract:

2 townhomes priced from \$384,000-465,000

Sold:

4 townhomes priced from \$325,000-500,000

HAPPY FALL!





Jim Fox, Terry Moore & Ki Hatch 703-755-0296 (direct)

Email: jim.fox@realtor.com

Top Producers with 50+ years of experience!

22153 zip code year to date stats:

201 Homes Sold

Average Days on Market: 7

Buyers are still looking for homes. Call today at @703-338-1706 to get full market stats!

The average sales price is up 9.54% over the 2021 sales

price





How do Fairfax County Residents Recycle Glass?

As you know, NCA residents are not supposed to recycle glass in the recycle bins provided by Patriot Disposal services. Throughout Fairfax County, there are purple bins to recycle glass.

NCA now has another option for recycling glass. In celebration of Fairfax Recycles Day, Fairfax County has installed a Purple Bin at the Saratoga Park & Ride. The bin is for container glass – bottles and jars only. No windowpanes, Pyrex baking dishes, or cardboard boxes. The glass is recycled into new glass bottles. In addition, Fairfax County uses crushed glass for its construction projects.



NCA Calendar

JANUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 FCPS Winter Break - No School	3 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	4 7PM NCA Board Mtg (see website for location/ details) RECYCLING DAY	5	6 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	7 XMAS Tree Pick-UP (see page 6 for info)
8	9	10 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	11 RECYCLING DAY	12	13 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	XMAS Tree Pick-UP (see page 6 for info)
15	FCPS No School	17 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	18 RECYCLING DAY	19	20 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	21
22	23	24 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	25 RECYLING DAY 2-Hr Early Release (FCPS)	26 No School - Stud	27 Trash Only NO RECYCLING Hent Holidays (FCPS)	28
29	30	31 Trash Only NO RECYCLING	Trash Timing: Placed out for pick-up NO EARLIER than 5pm the night before. Placed out for pick-up NO LATER than 6am the morning of.			