

**Town of Chevy Chase – Public Services Committee – Meeting #3**  
**Thursday November 4, 2010; 7:30pm – 9:00pm**  
**– NOTES –**

*\* This meeting was open to the public \**

Attendees: Joel Rubin, Sue Hill, John Barnes, Barry Hager, David Eason, Mike Lebovitz, Al Lang (Council Rep); Not Attending: Roy Gordon

**1) Public Comment on Safety Issue/Traffic Concern**

- *Speaker:* Resident Dr. William T. Murphey, 6702 Hillcrest Place, is concerned about safety of Bradley/Hillcrest intersection. He said there was a serious accident at that intersection over the weekend. He said the hedges make it difficult to see and wondered if Town would install mirrors to help w/ visibility. While more information about the accident would be helpful, the PSC believes that this issue should be dealt with promptly and therefore makes the following recommendation:

- **Recommendation:** that all south side of Bradley intersections have mirrors installed to provide for safer entry onto Bradley Avenue and that safety issues related to landscaping be reviewed for possible remediation.

**2) Chevy Chase Elementary School Neighborhood Transportation Evaluation**

- costs are related to sidewalk: recommend that these be done
- recommend that the town coordinate with CCES (town staff: have local policeman under contract to do this)
- Determine a plan of action on how to handle the conclusions of the CCES study, how to communicate these to the community, and how to work with Town Council
- note about the consultant: met the work objectives in a timely manner, were clear in the writing
- **Recommendation:** all of the evaluation's recommendations be accepted by the Town Council

**3) Decisions on Pending Requests**

a) **Install sidewalks on Oakridge, Lynn, and Tarrytown**

The PSC is concerned about whether there is resident demand for the sidewalks, and decided to draft a letter to seek resident interest on this issue. If the residents desire the sidewalks, the PSC recommends that the Town survey the site for safety and feasibility, with a potential public forum to discuss the change.

**Recommendation:** The PSC has drafted a short letter on Town letterhead (see below) – it can be similar to the recent one sent regarding the Town directory, with a stamp affixed – to the affected households, seeking their input; this draft should be included in the Town Council packet for 12/8 meeting, for its approval, and if approved, should be sent to the affected residents for their input, with results reported back to PSC and Town Council.

“Dear Residents of Oakridge Lane, Lynn Drive and Tarrytown Road:

The Town Council has tasked the Public Services Committee (PSC) to obtain resident input on the installation of sidewalks on your street. At this time, we are interested in hearing from you about your thoughts on this. We are not in a position at this time to recommend to the Council the location (which side of the street) of the sidewalks. This is something that will be addressed if there is enough resident interest in moving to the next step in the process.

Please complete the information asked for below and return this Notice to the Town Office by mail or in person by XXXXX. We value your thoughts and input on this important issue. Thank you.

Street Name  
House (or Block) Number

Resident Name (Optional)  
*Space for written comments*

b) Complete sidewalk on south side of Stanford between East and West

**Recommendation to Council:** It appears that there's minimal resident demand and the PSC recommends to not proceed, although the PSC is open to dialogue with Council on this issue if Council feels that it should go forward.

c) Remove two parking spaces in front of 7009 East Ave

The PSC is concerned about ensuring that the same amount of parking spaces (two) are available after a change as currently exist – the goal is to maintain parking in a legal and safe way that allows for consistent parking access.

**Recommendation:** Town Council approve the removal the existing painted crosswalk (entrance to Thornapple Path) in front of 7009 East Avenue, as well as adds a sidewalk along the northwest side of the entrance to Thornapple Path up to the STOP sign at Leland Street and add a crosswalk at East and Leland

#### 4) Street Lighting

The PSC will review survey data provided by the Town, conduct an analysis of it, and then provide a recommendation. In addition, the PSC asks that PEPCO be reminded to maintain existing lighting; the PSC also defers on items 2 and 3as it is neutral on informing the town's residents on the status of the lighting report.

#### 5) Next meeting is December 9<sup>th</sup>