# **Kensington Around Town**

JULY 2015



## 20th Annual 4th of July Bike Parade

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Bike Parade will be held on **Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>at St. Paul Park**. The Bike Parade begins at 10 am and the Town asks those wishing to participate begin lining up by **9:45 am**.

The Parade is open to all kids, and those young at heart, who wish to decorate their bike, scooter, wagon or stroller. Special thank you to the **Kensington Volunteer Fire Department** for leading the parade.

Thank you to Mark Hudson of McEnearney Associate Realtors for his continued coordination and sponsorship of this event.



www.MarkHudsonGroup.com

## Town Election Results

Tom H. Rodriguez	158
Darin R. Bartram	157
Clifford J. Scharman	117

There were a total of 244 (including 13 Absentee) Ballots cast, which represents a 17 percent voter turnout by the Town's residents.

Congratulations to Mr. Bartram and Mr. Rodriguez who will be sworn in prior to the July 6th Town Organizational Meeting, 6 pm.

http://tok.md.gov/town-business/elections/



## <u>CALENDAR</u>

**Town Offices Closed** Fri., July 3rd *Trash will be Collected* 

## **FIREWORKS**

Sat., July 4th 7:30 pm—10:30 pm *Mid-County Sparkles Einstein High School* (Info Page 4)

Town Organizational Meeting Mon., July 6th, 6 pm

**Town Council Meeting** Mon., July 6th, *following Organizational Meeting* 

Town Council Meeting Mon., July 20th, 7 pm Public Hearing

Movie in the Park St. Paul Park Saturdays at Sundown June 27th—*Aladdin* July 25th—*Finding Nemo* 

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Ordinance Amending "Driveway Construction Permits" Introduced at the June 8th Council Meeting. Additional information on Page 4.

# FROM MAYOR FOSSELMAN



Welcome New Residents—We have several new Residents in Kensington over the last six months. I am happy you are part of the community and welcome your input and participation with Town activities. Please contact me should you have any concerns or questions at mayor.fosselman@tok.md.gov.

**Town Election**—Thank you to the candidates Darin Bartram, Tom Rodriguez and Clifford Scharman for being willing to serve us and for their efforts at running for Town Council.

*Movie in the Park*—the next feature will be Disney's Aladdin at St. Paul Park on Saturday, June 27th at sundown. Bring a

blanket, chairs, popcorn and beverage! Please consider making a donation to the KVFD, as the movie sponsor, to help them with their efforts to purchase a **new ambulance**.

**Connecticut Avenue Bridge/Median Improvements** – The State has one (1) median left to finish (Baltimore St) and has started to remove the old chain link fencing over the CSX bridge. The removal and installation of the new **wrought iron fencing** is expected to take fifteen (15) work days.

**Connecticut Avenue Milling/Paving**—The State Highway Administration has advised that the milling and paving of MD 185 (495 to Dupont Avenue) has been approved. Prep work (concrete patching) over the next three (3) weeks during daylight hours may hinder traffic. The milling of northbound Connecticut Avenue (495 to Dupont Avenue) is tentatively scheduled to begin the week of June 29th. The entire project is expected to last through August.

**Pole Sign Removal**—Staff and I continue to work closely with the property owners along Connecticut, Metropolitan and Kensington Parkway who are required to remove their pole signs and **erect monument style signs**. Most of the businesses are cooperating and we should begin to see the new signs shortly. It has been a long five years as this is part of my overall plan to improve the aesthetics of the Town.

**County Police Presence**—We maintain regular contact with our local police officers to enforce the stop signs and time restriction areas of Kensington. In addition, they are making extra **patrols throughout the summer evening hours**. Thank you Sergeant Warren Jensen and his team for their superb service.

Have a fun and safe summer!

Pete Fosselman

#### **Town Permits**

10401 Connecticut Ave Interior

3814 Washington Street

Wash. Gas

10600 Nash Place

Alteration

#### 3707 Calvert Place

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3935 Baltimore Street

Shed

3604 Dupont Ave Fence

10312 Kensington Pkwy Deck

10212 Kensington Pkwy Driveway



#### From Town Manager Daily

• Washington Gas will be replacing service lines in the Plyers Mill Road/Wheatley Street area over the next month.

- The State Highway Administration (SHA) will begin an ADA sidewalk improvement project early this fall along Connecticut Avenue.
- Council introduced an Ordinance (O-04-2015) at the June 8th meeting to help clarify and regulate the construction of driveways within the Town. The Public Hearing is scheduled for July 20th (Additional info on Page 4).
- Our scheduled milling and paving projects will begin later this summer with Wheatley (between Plyers Mill and Dupont) and Kent (between Montgomery and Kensington Pkwy) at the top of the list.

**Building Permits**—*Please be reminded that both a Town <u>and</u> County permit for any exterior or interior structural changes are needed, with the exception of landscaping and repairs. Historic District properties will also need a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). Please contact the Town staff with any questions.* 

### **MAYOR**

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# TOWN MINUTES

The <u>May 11th Town Council Minutes</u> were not yet approved by Council at the time of printing the July 2015 Around Town Journal.

Please be reminded that audio recordings of all Council Meetings are available on the Town's website at the following link:

http://tok.md.gov/town-business/councilmeeting-recordings/

In addition, a summary of each Council Meeting is sent out through our E-Notification system the day following a meeting. You may sign up for E-Notifications on our website:

www.tok.md.gov

# Ordinance Amending Driveway Construction Permits

An Ordinance, No. O-04-2015, Amending Chapter III, Article 2 of the Town Code was introduced at the June 8th Town Council meeting.

The Amendments propose to repeal Section 3-203, "Driveway Construction Permits", and to repeal, renumber, and reenact Section 3-204, "Construction and Maintenance of Driveway Aprons", and to renumber Section 3-205, "Construction of New Streets", 3-206 "Bonds Required", and Section 3-207, "Penalties"; and Amending Chapter V, "Housing and Building Regulations" by repealing and reenacting Section 5-102 "Town Building Permit Required" and to enact Section 5-106, "Driveways and Parking Surfaces."

## A Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, July 20th, beginning at 7:00 pm.

The proposed Ordinance is available to view at the following link:

http://tok.md.gov/town-business/councilmeetings/



Mid-County Sparkles Germantown Glory Einstein High School South Germantown Recreational Park

Celebrate Independence Day with Mid-County Sparkles at Einstein High School, July 4th.

Live Music ~ 7:30 pm

Fireworks ~ 9:15 pm

A shuttle bus will be available from JCP at Westfield Wheaton Plaza. ERROR: undefined OFFENDING COMMAND: '~

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