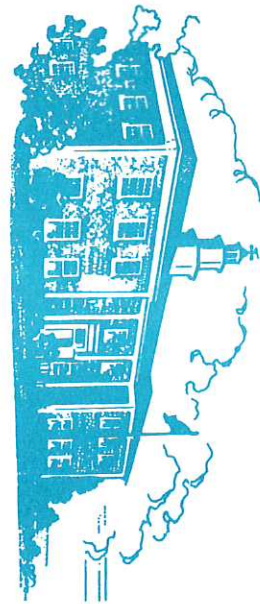


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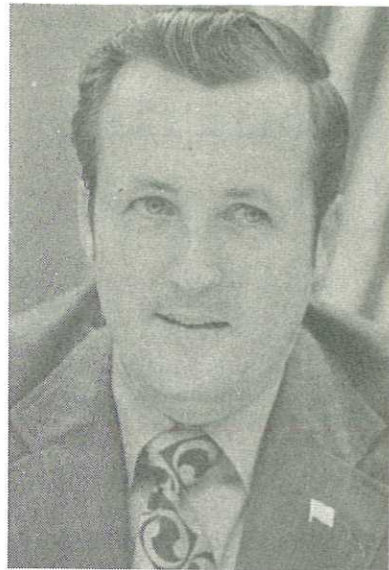
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Dingman Retires

After 10 years on Town Council, Vienna Mayor Pro-tempore, Richard B. Dingman, has retired.

In his farewell speech to Town Council, Dingman urged Council to make decisions for the betterment of the entire community and not just the few who show up at Council meetings. He said Council members must be industrious and go out and find what the public wants.

At a time when all government bodies are under attack, Dingman said Vienna Councilmen have "bent over backwards to avoid a conflict of interest."

Dingman was elected to Council at the age of 29 in 1964 and during his five terms he has served on several Council committees. He was vice chairman of the Virginia Town Charter Revision Committee in 1965 and 1967, a member of the State and Highway Committee of the Virginia Municipal League, Coordinating Committee for the D.C. Regional Transportation Planning Board and was Council's liaison to the Fairfax County School Board.

He was born in Baltimore, Md., and graduated from the University of Maryland with a B.S. in Business. He has his graduate degree in data processing from American University.

Son of a pastor he traveled throughout the country during his childhood.

In 1957 he married the former Lucinda Ann Wade, a Vienna girl. They moved to Vienna in 1960.

Presently the Administrative Assistant to U.S. Congressman John B. Conlan of Arizona, Dingman served with the Army in Korea and worked for the Department of the Army with the Computer Systems Evaluation Command.

Dingman has long been interested in youth activities. He was vice-chairman of the Fairfax County Parks and Recreation Study Committee in 1967, a member of the executive committee of the Cedar Lane PTA, executive committee member of Cub Scout Pack No. 883, director of the Vienna Youth Leadership Program of Toastmasters International, and a manager for both Little League baseball and Vienna intramural basketball.

Filling the seat left vacant by Dingman is Stephen G. McConahey.



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Citizen Input: Make Your Opinion Known

To a Vienna Councilman the most important gauge he has in making decisions for the welfare of the entire community is from input from Town residents. Public hearings, special committee meetings and work sessions are a few of the avenues open to residents to voice their opinions or ideas.

Each of the seven Council members wants to hear, not only those against a particular issue, but those supporting an issue as well. If very few supporters express their feelings at these meetings then many worthy projects may be defeated. Council wants to hear from the "silent majority" and also would like for residents to take an interest in the entire Town and not just their own quadrant.

There are three important issues coming up before Town Council in the

next few months. Council wants citizen input—pro and con.

On August 26 there will be a joint public hearing at Town Hall with members of Town Council, Planning Commission and Vienna Highway Safety Commission to consider the proposed Vienna Bikeway System Plan which has been in the planning stages for a year. The proposed plan calls for some drastic changes for some Vienna residents—including possible restriction of parking on some Town streets to permit lanes next to the curb. The comprehensive bike plan, which provides for approximately 20 miles of bike routes, stands little chance of being adopted if Council only hears residents in opposition to bike routes.

On September 16 Council will have a special public hearing on the traffic circulation plan for the southeast quadrant of Town. The hearing is primarily for residents in all areas of Town to voice their opinion on the proposed connection of Locust Street to Hine Street and Branch Road to Talahi Road. Council is interested in hearing residents in support and against the projects. Residents will also be able to comment on the entire Traffic Circulation Plan for the southeast quadrant of Town at this meeting.

Finally, on October 19, Town Council will conduct a public hearing to consider a request to rezone 44.5 acres of land known as the Moorefield or DeLuca Tract in southwest Vienna from residential (single family dwellings) to multi-family dwellings or apartments. The rezoning would mean higher density use of that tract. Council wants citizen input—pro and con.

Most importantly is that nothing before Town Council should be taken for granted. Citizen input is important and valuable to each Councilman. What you may think is a good idea may be strongly opposed by your neighbor, and if your neighbor is the only person who makes his opinion known then he is the one who wins. You lose. Consequently, what you thought was a good program fails for lack of support. Let your opinion be known.

Take an interest in Vienna. This is your Town. You have the capability of influencing important decisions by expressing your opinion before the Town Council. Chances are, even if the issue concerns something on the other side of Town, it will affect you.

For more details on these three hearings see the inside of this Newsletter.



SWEARING IN—Former Vienna Municipal Court Judge Philip Brophy, right, swears in Mayor Joseph R. Spriggs (second from right) and three other Councilmen elected in the May 7 general election. The Councilmen are, from left, Paul M. Lyons, Stephen G. McConahey and Charles A. Robinson, Jr. The four Council members will serve two-year terms.

Bikeway Hearing Set August 26

A public hearing is scheduled on August 26 at Town Hall starting at 8 p.m. on the proposed Bikeway System Plan.

The hearing will be attended by the Town Council, Planning Commission, Highway Safety Commission and Vienna Bikeway Committee.

A map of the proposed bike routes is on display at the Patrick Henry Library and the Vienna Town Hall. The Bikeway Committee and the Assistant for Planning (938-8000) would like citizen reaction on the map before July 29. On that date, the Town Council, Planning Commission and Highway Safety Commission will hold a work session to review the committee's recommendations prior to the August public hearing.

The Bikeway Map is the key element of the proposed System which is designed to provide a safe and efficient network for more than 4,000 Vienna bike riders. To administer and control the system, the committee is drafting a Bicycle Ordinance which would be considered at the public hearing.

The committee has tried to select bikeroutes and bikepaths which would provide access among the Town's geographic quadrants and which eventually would connect with bikeways in the adjacent County. High priority is given to bicycle riding to schools, recreation areas, and shopping centers. Streets and trails would be used wherever possible, but the bikeroute would share the sidewalk with pedestrians on Maple Avenue,

Nutley Road, SW, Park Street, SE, and Beulah Road. On these sidewalks, adequate controls would be imposed to insure the safety of pedestrians who would continue to have the right-of-way.

State law requires that bicycles be ridden in the direction of automobile traffic. Accordingly, bikelanes would have to be provided on both sides of those streets which are designated as bikeroutes. The County has been given the "go-ahead" to construct a bikeroute along the east side of Beulah Road, the Town plans to improve the existing path along the West side of Park Street as a bikeroute, and an agreement has been negotiated between the Town and Virginia Electric and Power Co., for use of the W&OD right-of-way through Town for hiking and biking lanes.

In other bike news, the Council approved investigating the problems relating to requiring the licensing of bicycles. Included in the program will be the requirement of a license fee.

Hicks New Mayor Pro-tempore

Raymond E. Hicks, a one-year veteran of Town Council, was elected as Vienna's Mayor Pro-tempore (Vice-Mayor) for the fiscal year 1974-75.

Hicks succeeds retiring Councilman Richard B. Dingman.

Town Staff members will design a proposed program that may include required training classes for bike riders. The registration fee would cover administration costs and contribute to the costs of enforcing bike laws on public rights-of-way.

A registration program will be presented to Town Council on Sept. 30.

W&OD Acquired

The Town of Vienna has acquired the use of the old Washington and Old Dominion right-of-way for use as a hiking and biking trail for an indefinite period of time.

The lease was granted at no cost by Virginia Electric and Power Co. The two-mile stretch of right-of-way runs through the center of Town and will be connected to Vienna's planned bikeway system. The land has been incorporated as part of Vienna's parklands.

Vienna police will patrol the right-of-way. No motor vehicles (including minibikes) will be permitted on the right-of-way. The agreement gives Vienna police jurisdiction over the narrow stretch of land.

Some segments along Dominion Road in northeast Vienna were not included in the lease agreement. These segments have already been leased to commercial establishments along the route.

DeLuca Hearing Oct. 19

Town Council will conduct a public hearing to rezone 44.5 acres of land known as the DeLuca or Moorefield Tract from residential, single family dwellings to multi-family dwellings. The hearing is scheduled for October 19 at 10 a.m. at Town Hall.

Owner of the tract, DeLuca Enterprises, is proposing to put piggy-back Townhouses on the land. Included in the plan are 116 buildings with three units each and 19 buildings with five units for a total of 443 townhouse units.

Over half, or 55 percent of the tract would be green areas. Some 926 parking spaces, or 1.8 spaces per unit would be provided.

DeLuca plans to restore the Moorefield home, but relocate the building to another spot on the tract. Also planned for the proposed development are a community center, two tennis courts and a swimming pool—all for the tenants.

The Planning Commission plans to make a recommendation on the rezoning request August 14.

Adjacent to the tract, but in the County, DeLuca plans to construct six high-rise buildings from 15 to 20 stories high. Two of the buildings will be used as office buildings. This plan has won final approval by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, despite strong opposition expressed by Vienna Town Council and many Vienna residents.

Miller's Fourth Winners

The Allen Miller family of 213 Elm Street, SE, was the winner of this year's Fourth of July decorations contest for the residential division. Big Boy Restaurant celebrated its first "Fourth" in Vienna by winning the commercial division prize.

The contest was sponsored by the Town of Vienna Bicentennial Commission.

The Newlon family of 218 Battle Street, SW, placed second in the residential division while Vienna Office Supply was runner-up in the commercial division.



A BIG WELCOME—Over 50 foreign guests celebrated the Fourth of July with Vienna residents. Pictured here are the visitors and their Vienna sponsors.

Street Connection Hearing

A public hearing is scheduled for Sept. 16 on the connection of four streets in southeast Vienna. The meeting will begin at Town Hall at 8 p.m.

Proposed for connection are Locust Street to Hine Street and Branch Road to Talahi Road. Each connection, if approved, would be a block long and cost, together, approximately \$140,000. Council will also be hearing citizens' comments on the entire Traffic Circulation Plan for the southeast quadrant of Town. The Traffic Circulation Map is available for inspection at Town Hall from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., weekdays.

The road connections were previously approved by Council in January 1973 when the most recent Traffic Circulation Plan was adopted. The proposed connections were recommended to provide easier residential traffic flow through Town.

All the needed land has been acquired and engineering completed. To date the Town has spent over \$26,500 on the project.

Community Bus

The Town is checking into the feasibility of having community buses. Those interested in having a community bus should contact the Planning Office at 938-8000.

Most recently, Council rejected bids for the two road connection projects after heavy opposition was voiced by local residents.

Throughout the planning process on the Traffic Circulation Plan and during several public hearings prior to its adoption in early 1973 there was no citizen opposition.

Express Buses

The Vienna Town Council approved a plan which included obtaining a fringe parking lot for express bus commuters.

The Town completed an agreement with the Greenhoot Fischer Shopping Center for the use of its back parking lot for fringe parking and a commuter pick-up spot. The agreement is temporary until a location can be found for long range use.

Northern Virginia Transportation Commission officials granted the Town two Metrobuses, capable of carrying 100 commuters non-stop to the Washington core.

The program is experimental and if it fails the service will be discontinued. The buses will begin service in September. Those interested in riding one of the express buses into Washington should contact the Planning Office at 938-8000.

Calendar

- Aug. 14 — Planning Commission meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- 15 — Architectural Review Board at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- 19 — Town Council meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- 21 — Board of Zoning Appeals at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- 26 — Bikeway Committee public hearing with Town Council, Planning Commission and Highway Safety Commission, 8 p.m.
- 27 — Human Rights Commission at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- 28 — Planning Commission meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m.
- Sept. 3 — Registration begins for the Parks and Recreation Fall Schedule of Activities. Schedules will be sent to all Vienna households.

Organization Survey

The Town Clerk's office is asking Vienna residents to help in bringing the Town's Organization List up to date. Please fill in the survey below and call or send survey in to the Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 127 Center St., South, Vienna, Va. 22180.

The list of organizations is sent to all newcomers in Town.

Name of Organization _____

Mailing Address _____

Title of Head Office _____

Name & Address _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Work _____

Recording Officer & Address _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Work _____

Other Information _____
