

nino stated before the Vienna Town Council in October 1978, was to make it possible for our citizens to meet their transportation needs without using their automobiles and to bring transit services to local neighborhoods."

The Town is currently working with the County Transportation Office to develop improved routes for the Jitneybus, which will be used during the six-month extension. If ridership remains low at the end of this period, however, there will be no additional reprieve. Jitneybus service will be discontinued for good.

## Beware of Repair "Ripoffs"

Summer is the time for home repairs - and home repair ripoffs. The Vienna Police remind citizens to investigate carefully before hiring anyone to do work around the house.

Recently, a Vienna resident was the victim of a dishonest scheme when he had his driveway repaired. After the job was completed, he discovered that basement waterproofing had been mixed with the driveway sealer. The mixture was unsatisfactory, and the man was charged for the job as if sealer alone had been used.

Residents who suspect a home repair operation of fraudulent practices should contact the Vienna Police or the Fairfax County Consumer Affairs Department.

Investigation of such complaints can lead to more protection for consumers. Last month, for example, AB&A, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland, a heating and air conditioning contractor, agreed to sign an Assurance of Voluntary Compliance, which imposes permanent restrictions on the manner in which the company conducts business in Fairfax County.

AB&A was charged with fraud in connection with home heating system repairs following a County investigation of complaints from homeowners alleging that the company intentionally misrepresented the condition of heating equipment and unnecessarily replaced some parts.

## Smoke Detectors to Be Required For Multi-Family Residences

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has adopted legislation requiring installation of smoke detectors in all multi-family residential buildings with more than four dwelling units and in all hotels and motels.

The Board established an effective date of July 1, 1982, for compliance. Building owners must locate smoke detectors in accordance with present code requirements.

The smoke detector law will be administered and enforced by both the County Building Inspector and the Fire Marshal. For further information on the legislation, call 691-2748 or 691-2331.

### It's Too Hot to Leave Pets in the Car

Did you ever sit in a car in August with the windows open only an inch or two? If you have, you know it can become unbearably hot in just a few minutes.

Many pets suffer and die each year when they are left in hot, unventilated cars. Your Town Animal Warden asks all pet owners to keep their animals out of closed cars this summer.

## August Calendar



- 1 - VYS soccer registration at the Community Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 4 - Historic Windover Board of Review meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 5 - Vienna Community Band concert, 7 p.m. at the Minipark. Newspaper pickup day.
- 8-9 - Northern Virginia Coin and Stamp Show at the Community Center. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. both days.
- 12 - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 16 - Vienna Co-ed Softball League Championship game, 1 p.m. at Meadow Lane Park; All-Star game and picnic, 3:15 p.m.
- 17 - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newsliner, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for update on agenda items.)
- 19 - Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Newspaper pickup day.
- 20 - Architectural Review Board meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 25 - Transportation Safety Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 26 - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 28 - Teen concert at the Community Center, 8-11 p.m. Admission \$1.50.

## Know Home Occupation Laws

Do you operate a business in your home? If so, make sure you have complied with all Town regulations concerning home occupations.

In order to conduct business in a residential zone you must obtain an occupancy permit and a business license. Failure to comply is punishable by fines of up to \$250 for each day of the violation.

For details about the laws applying to home occupations, contact the Zoning Office at 938-8000, ext. 266.

# NEWSLETTER

## FY 1981-82 Budget Approved

The Town Council has adopted a \$6.6 million budget for the fiscal year that began July 1. Copies of the budget are available for public inspection at Town Hall.

The FY 1981-82 budget represents a 6.2% increase in expenditures over last year. To keep Town spending to a minimum during the current inflationary period, no additional personnel will be hired or equipment purchased this year. In addition, there will be cutbacks in a number of programs, including elimination of the Fall Cleanup, scaling down of several Parks and Recreation activities and a reduction in street resurfacing and repairs.

Council adopted the budget unanimously at a special meeting on June 29. A summary of revenues and expenditures appears inside this Newsletter.

## Jitneybus Granted Reprieve

The Jitneybus has been granted a stay of execution by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The Board agreed on July 20 to extend Jitneybus service for an additional six months to determine whether changes in the system requested by the public will increase ridership.

Centreville District Supervisor Martha Pennino, long-time supporter of the Jitneybus, was instrumental in securing the six-month extension. Comments by the Town, based on hundreds of calls received from Jitneybus riders since the service began a year ago, also helped persuade the Board to continue this experimental neighborhood transportation project.

### County Staff Recommended Discontinuation

The County transportation staff had recommended discontinuation of the Jitneybus because of disappointing ridership figures for the first 10 months of operation. The system has failed to meet the minimum performance criteria of 10 passengers per trip, a 20.8% revenue to cost ratio and a \$2.04 subsidy per passenger.

In its statement before the Board, the Town said, "We share the regret of the County staff that none of the three criteria has been met. We believe, however, that if the suggestions made by the Town for changes in routing had been implemented half way through the project year, that results might have been different."

### Social Benefits Must Also Be Considered

The Town also pointed out that, while performance criteria must be considered in evaluating the success of the Jitneybus, social benefits should be taken into consideration as well. "There is a need for this service by those of our community who either do not own an automobile or cannot drive," the Town stated. "The original purpose of the jitney, as Supervisor Pen-

**NEWSLETTER**

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## Budget in Brief FY 1981-82

### General Fund

#### REVENUE SUMMARY

General Property Tax	\$1,610,208
Other Local Taxes	1,589,786
Permits, Privilege Fees & Regulatory Licenses	19,700
Fines & Forfeitures	72,000
Use of Money & Property	94,000
Service Charges	80,100
Miscellaneous Revenues	34,000
Revenue from Commonwealth	576,388
Revenue from County	410,000
Federal Revenue Sharing	120,108
Unexpended Prior Year Surplus	55,000
	<u>\$4,661,290</u>

#### APPROPRIATIONS

General Government	\$ 658,857
Public Safety (Police & Volunteer Fire)	1,035,182
Public Works Administration	137,696
Street, Transportation & General Maintenance	647,517
Sanitation	337,284
Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	359,399
Parks & Recreation	448,335
Non-Departmental	766,290
Debt Service	464,670
Interfund Transfer	(353,218)
Contingent Reserve	159,278
	<u>\$4,661,290</u>

### Water & Sewer Fund

#### REVENUE SUMMARY

Water & Sewer Service Charges	\$1,886,720
Other Revenues (Water & Sewer)	53,000
	<u>\$1,939,720</u>

#### APPROPRIATIONS

Water & Sewer Operations	\$1,375,851
Debt Service	204,650
Interfund Transfer	353,218
Contingent Reserve	6,001
	<u>\$1,939,720</u>

### Nature Through Your Camera at Northside

Enjoy "Nature Through Your Camera" at Northside Park on Saturday, August 29, from 9 to 11 a.m. This free program will be conducted by the Fairfax County Park Authority. Pre-registration is required since the program is limited to 15 participants. To register, call the Department of Parks and Recreation at 938-8000, ext. 277.

## Vienna Metrorail Task Force Delivers Final Recommendations

The final report of the Vienna Metro Station Planning Task Force has been accepted by the Town Council. Council appointed the Task Force last year to assess the impact on the town of the Vienna Metrorail Station, scheduled to open early in 1986 at the intersection of Route I-66 and Nutley Road.

The Task Force recommendations reflect an attempt by the Town to protect the integrity of Vienna as a single-family residential community, while maximizing the beneficial features of the Metrorail system.

The report states that the most significant factor distinguishing Vienna's Metro Station from most others is its location at the end of the line. As a terminus, the Vienna Station will serve not only a larger than average number of riders, but a larger proportion of them will be driving their cars to and from the station.

### Biggest Impact Is Traffic

As a result, the greatest impact of the station on the town, according to the report, will be an increase in traffic congestion and possible commuter parking on residential streets. "The prospect of several thousand additional cars flowing into Vienna each morning, and flowing out each evening, represents the most serious potential problem for the community," the report says.

To help reduce the problem, the Task Force has recommended several alternatives to be considered and, if possible, implemented. "The key to avoiding serious traffic congestion on Vienna streets," the report says, "is to induce the maximum number of Metrorail commuters and local employees to use feeder buses in lieu of private autos. The establishment of suitable bus routes with convenient and economical service is critically important, as is the establishment of free fringe parking lots along the Dulles Airport Access Road. These two items should be given the highest priority by the Town Council."

### Other Recommendations

The report also recommends the evaluation of potential traffic control problems at critical intersections, obtaining a high ratio of office to residential use for future developments adjacent to the station, encouraging the extension of Metrorail service to Dulles Airport and working with Metro planners to assure adequate lighting and security at the station.

The Task Force and the Town Council will hold a joint work session soon to discuss the report in detail.

Copies of the Task Force report are available at Town Hall.

## Council Action

### Results of Town Council's June 15, 1981, Meeting

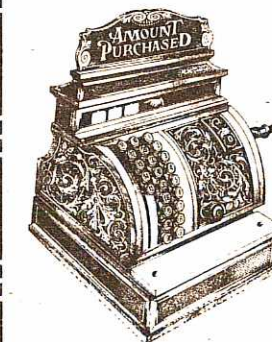
- \* Adopted an ordinance to control the sale, lease or rental of adult motion pictures, video tapes, cassettes or photographs.
- \* Set utility tax rates for FY 1981-82 at 20% of the first \$15 for residential users and 15% of the first \$300 for commercial users.

### Results of Town Council's Special Meeting, June 29, 1981

- \* Adopted the budget for fiscal year 1981-82.
  - \* Directed the Town Manager and the Director of Parks and Recreation to examine the fee structure for use of the Community Center and submit any recommendations for change at the first meeting in September.
  - \* Set the Town Manager's salary for FY 1981-82 at \$44,000.
  - \* Adopted language recommended by the Town Attorney that FY 1981-82 utility tax rates be effective on charges first appearing on bills rendered August 1 and thereafter.
  - \* Made the following appointments for FY 1981-82: Brackenridge H. Bentley, Town Manager; W. Gordon Brady, Town Treasurer; John F. Gionfriddo, Town Attorney; and Marian R. Sellers, Town Clerk.
- Appointed Council members to the following positions: Robert W. Robinson, Mayor pro-tempore; Donald E. Upchurch, representative to Northern Virginia Planning District Commission and Douglas A. Brook, alternate; E. Ross Buckley, representative to the Transportation Safety Commission and Robert W. Robinson, alternate; Raymond E. Hicks, Police Pension Fund Advisory Board; Donald E. Upchurch, Administrative Committee of Town Employees' Retirement Plan; Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr., liaison to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors; Vincent J. Olson, liaison to the Fairfax County School Board; and Raymond E. Hicks, recommended as the representative to the Centreville District Citizens' Park Advisory Council.

### Results of Town Council's July 6, 1981, Meeting

- \* Accepted the report of the Vienna Metro Station Planning Task Force and requested the Mayor to forward letters of appreciation to all members who have devoted their time and energy to the project.
- \* Donated \$25 to the Vienna Optimist Club to help defray their administrative costs of this year's raffle.
- \* Approved the installation of street lights between 507 and 509 Mashie Dr. and at the end of the cul-de-sac, and upgrading of the existing light.
- \* Adopted an ordinance to provide for parking spaces for the physically handicapped.
- \* Adopted an ordinance requiring pickup spaces to be shown on site plans.
- \* Adopted an ordinance to reinstate transitional parking as a conditional use in residential zones.
- \* Approved the installation of a street light between 902 and 904 Ware St.
- \* Accepted the bid by Virginia Turf and Equipment Co. of \$8,165 for a John Deere Model 1050 tractor and accessories.
- \* Accepted the bid by Boyd Enterprises, Inc., of \$12,000 for janitorial services at the Community Center.
- \* Voted to cancel the first meeting in August.



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