

NEWSLETTER

February 1999



Sidewalk Hearing February 1

The Town Council will hold a public hearing on the construction of additional sidewalks in Vienna at its February 1 meeting, which will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and speak on the sidewalk projects proposed by a joint committee of the Transportation Safety Commission and the Planning Commission, or any other sidewalk improvements.

The Sidewalk Committee has established three priority groups of sidewalk projects, which were published in last month's newsletter and are available for review in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall.

Approximately \$388,000 is available in the Town budget for sidewalk construction, which is not enough to fund all of the recommended projects. Citizen input at the public hearing will assist the Town Council in its final selection of sidewalk projects, which could begin this spring.

FY 2000 Budget Process Underway

Preparation of Vienna's budget for fiscal year 1999-2000 has begun. Citizens who have suggestions about what items should be given priority for funding are encouraged to express their views in writing to Town Manager John H. Schoeberlein by February 5. Citizens will also have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at the May 17 Town Council meeting.

February 5 is also the deadline for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds in FY 2000. For more information, call the Town Manager's office at 255-6370.

FY 1999-2000 BUDGET CALENDAR

Friday, February 5	Donation requests/citizen input due
Wednesday, April 7	Distribution of proposed budget to public
Monday, April 12	Budget work session, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 17	Budget work session, 9 a.m.
Saturday, April 24	Budget work session, 9 a.m. (if needed)
Monday, April 26	Budget work session, 7:30 p.m. (if needed)
Monday, May 17	Public hearing on proposed budget, 8 p.m.
Monday, May 24	Budget work session to discuss public hearing comments, 8 p.m. (if needed)
Monday, June 7	Budget adoption & appropriation of funds

Winter Safety Tips

This time of the year there is always the possibility of power outages caused by winter storms. Virginia Power offers these safety tips to follow in the event of a power outage:

- Report the outage using Virginia Power's toll-free number, 1-888-667-3000.
- Stay away from downed power lines, and treat them as if they are live and dangerous. Report any downed lines to Virginia Power.

- Turn off all electrical appliances, such as irons, televisions and ranges, that may have been on at the time of the outage.

- Turn off major appliances such as water heaters, electric heaters, electric furnaces, and heat pumps to relieve the strain on the system when power is restored.

- Have a ready supply of bottled water and canned food on hand. A battery-powered radio, flashlights, a manual can opener, and wind-up clock also come in handy.

Virginia Power reminds you that heating the outdoors is expensive and useless. Take steps to block leaks of air from your home. Virginia Power's web site, www.vapower.com, offers a variety of tips to help keep you warm and comfortable this winter while saving money and energy and keeping your home in good repair.

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

FEBRUARY 1989 — Retired Norfolk Southern Railroad caboose #557725 made its final run February 16 — not on a railroad track but along Northern Virginia highways — to the end of the line in its new home, Vienna. Norfolk Southern approved the Town's request for a caboose last August and subsequently made an additional donation of rails, ties and track material on which to place it.

FEBRUARY 1979 — The Town has purchased the dilapidated house and the property at 430 Lewis St., N.W., thus ending many years of effort to have the house torn down. The condition of the house violated numerous Town and County ordinances and was declared unfit for human habitation by the County Health Department. Nevertheless, the County Circuit Court judged the house to be structurally sound and ruled that the Town could do anything short of demolition to abate the nuisance, and the Supreme Court of Virginia refused to hear the case on appeal. The Town's purchase of the property clears the way for demolition of the house to proceed.

FEBRUARY 1969 — Dr. Ross Netherton, Chairman of the Friends of the Library, reported to Council that legal action is underway for the County to obtain the necessary additional land for a permanent library in Vienna. The building will be constructed at the corner of Maple Avenue and Center Street at the site of the old library. It is hoped that construction can begin this summer.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP 255-5727

Visit the Town's web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

<p>FIRE & RESCUE 911 (Voice & TDD)</p> <p>VIENNA POLICE EMERGENCY 938-4900 (Voice) 255-5730 (TDD) NON-EMERGENCY 255-6368 (Voice) 255-5730 (TDD)</p> <p>VIENNA TOWN HALL 255-6300 (Voice) 255-5735 (TDD)</p> <p>COMMUNITY CENTER 255-6360 (Voice) 255-5739 (TDD)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799 Business Hours Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.</p> <p>The Town of Vienna does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Director of Administrative Services has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements.</p> <p>This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 255-6330, TDD 255-5735.</p>	<p>Bulk Rate U.S. POSTAGE PAID Vienna, Va. Permit No. 36</p>
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Trash Regulations Brochure Inside

An updated brochure outlining Vienna's solid waste regulations is printed on pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter. Please save the brochure and refer to it whenever necessary. If you have questions, please call the Public Works Department at 255-6382.

Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, February 15, for Washington's Birthday. Trash will be picked up as usual that day for residents on the Monday collection route.

Mulch Delivery Ending

February 26 is the last day to order a free delivery of ground leaf mulch or ground wood mulch from the Public Works Department. To place your order and for more information, call 255-6382. The minimum order for each type of mulch is a dump truck load (about the size of a Volkswagon "Beetle").

Get Involved!

Membership on Vienna's boards and commissions provides citizens the opportunity to become actively involved in Town affairs. An application for appointment is on pages 7 and 8 of this newsletter.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

DECEMBER 7, 1998

- Conducted an executive session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Concluded a public hearing on renewal of Vienna's cable TV franchise.

- Granted a 90-day extension of the vacation of a portion of the Ayrhill Avenue right-of-way. (Approved 6-1, Polychrones voting nay.)

- Directed a refund with interest in the amount of \$10,775.33 to Buswell & Bennett Commercial Cleaning for overpayment of gross receipts taxes for 1995-97.

- Appropriated \$4,500 to provide spot radio announcements expressing appreciation to the town's businesses and their customers for their patience and forbearance during the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project, indicating the project is substantially complete and inviting people to visit historic Church Street and once again patronize the various businesses in town.

- Awarded a bid for a cab and chassis with dump body and dual rear wheels to Central Motor Corp. at a price of \$28,293.

- Awarded a bid for a twin line wrecker body with wheel lift to Wilbar Truck Equipment at a price of \$15,949.

- Awarded a contract for asbestos removal at the Community Center to Bristol Environmental in the amount of \$13,699.

- Adopted a resolution concerning Virginia General Assembly House Bill 599.

- Approved a resolution of appreciation for retiring Fairfax County Fire Chief Glenn A. Gaines to be presented at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department's installation of officers banquet on January 16.

- Approved certificates of appreciation to Michael Wheat, Debra Duggar, and Edyth Frankle for their work on the Beautification Commission.

DECEMBER 21, 1998

- Directed the Town Attorney to draft a license agreement for five years with AT&T for installation of fiber optic cable along

Maple Avenue, renewable for another five years, with AT&T to pay the Town a minimum of \$11,000 per year. The license agreement is to allow the cable to pass through town, not to provide local service.

- Approved an exchange of Town owned right-of-way on the unimproved portion of Ninovan Road, S.E., for right-of-way on Glyndon Street, S.E. Funds are to be appropriated to construct curb, gutter and drainage improvements at 840 Glyndon St. This action is contingent on approval of the subdivision proposed for that address.

- Approved a change order to the Community Center asbestos removal contract in the amount of \$3,410 for removal of additional asbestos containing materials discovered subsequent to the original contract.

- Awarded the annual contract for water line cleaning and lining to Spiniello Companies of Morristown, NJ, at a price of \$271,997.05. Funds for the Elmar Drive water main replacement will be combined with the water line cleaning projects for a total of \$285,600.

- Awarded a bid for financing capital equipment acquisition to Provident Lease Corp.

- Recommended Patrick Via to the Fairfax County Circuit Court for reappointment to the Town's Board of Zoning Appeals.

Council Candidate Filing Deadline

March 2 is the filing deadline for candidates in the May 4 Town Council election. This year, voters will elect three Town Council members for two-year terms beginning July 1. Filing forms are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall. For more information, call 255-6303.

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for March issue is Tuesday, February 16.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the *Newsletter*. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number. (This information will not be published.)

1999		February		1999		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Trash & yard waste first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	1 Town Council	2 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	3	4	5	6
7 All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	8 Town Council work session	9 Mayor's Advisory Committee	10 Planning Commission	11 Town/Business Liaison Committee	12	13
14 Valentine's Day	15 Washington's Birthday Town Hall closed	16	17 Ash Wednesday Board of Zoning Appeals	18 Board of Architectural Review	19	20
21	22 Town Council	23 Transportation Safety Commission	24 Planning Commission	25 Beautification Commission 7:30 p.m.	26	27
28					Last day to call for mulch delivery in 1999	

Beauty Spot from Your Community Beautification Commission

Vienna's Beautification Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other worthy beautification projects. The latest "Beauty Spot" awards were given for attractive and creative holiday decorations. Congratulations to:

- Karin's Florist, 527 Maple Ave., E. Ware St., S.W.
- Douglas and Liz Hartman, 609 Tyrone and June Holmes, 128 Nutley St., N.W.
- Mark and Kathe Albrecht, 510 Glyndon St., N.E.
- Frederick and Catherine Botz, 406 Yeonas Dr., S.W.
- Stephen and JoAnn Ross, 916 Glyndon St., S.W.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 111-A Center St., S. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

Parking Permit Required In Some Residential Areas

The Vienna Police Department reminds all persons living in the restricted residential parking areas in southwest Vienna — 700 block Kingsley Road, 700-900 blocks Meadow Lane, 1000 block Delilah Drive, 600-700 blocks Tapawingo Road, 914 Myers Circle, and 715 Marshall Road — that their vehicles must display special decals in order to park on the street during restricted hours.

Decals are available at police headquarters, 215 Center St., S., weekdays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your driver's license and registration for each vehicle with you.

What Requires a Building Permit?

The Town of Vienna requires home owners, renters, business owners and tenants to obtain a building permit whenever they wish to make improvements to their property. A permit is required *before* any of the following improvements may commence:

1. Constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, or demolishing *any* part of a building or structure. This includes but is not limited to installation of a new roof or siding, erection of a storage shed or other accessory structure, finishing a basement, and construction of new facilities such as retaining walls, fences, hot tubs, pools, driveways, satellite antennas, and building additions.
2. Changing the use of a building either within the same use group or to a different use group when the new use requires more structural strength, fire protection, exits, or sanitary provisions.
3. Removing or disturbing any asbestos-containing materials.
4. Additions, alterations, replacement, or relocation of any plumbing, mechanical, or electrical systems.

There are exceptions to when a building permit is required, such as ordinary repairs. The term "ordinary repairs" means replacement of materials with like materials, including but not limited to:

1. Painting.
2. Roofing when not exceeding 100 square feet of roof area.
3. Windows when they are replaced in exactly the same size and location.
4. Doors, except those in fire-rated wall assemblies or exitways.
5. Floor coverings and porch flooring.
6. Repairs to plaster, interior tile work, and other wall coverings.
7. Cabinets installed in residential dwellings.
8. A notable exception is the construction of an accessory structure less than 8½ feet tall and with a total area of less than 150 square feet on a single-family lot. The installation of such a structure does not require a building permit, but its location is restricted in accordance with setback requirements for each of the three residential zones.

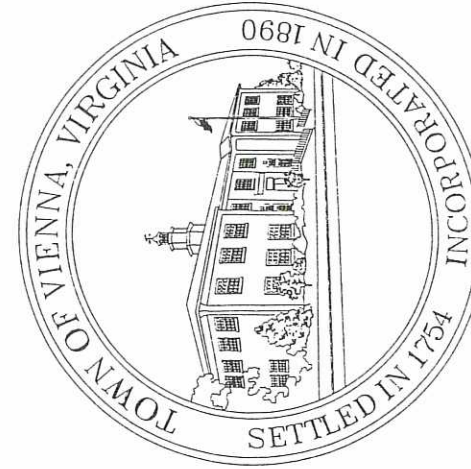
If you have questions, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in December:

Hoon Designs (graphic design) 1121 Westbriar Ct., N.E. 242-8788	Baker & Woods Construction (contractor) 386 Maple Ave., E. #205 319-1400	Beck Consulting & Contracting (computer consulting) 914 Cottage St., S.W. 255-5332
The Greek Grill (restaurant) 312 Maple Ave., W. 281-5307	Jaime A. Chica (chiropractor) 604 Jerry Ln., N.W. 319-6994	Bruce Butterfield & Assoc. (consulting) 304 Patrick St., S.W. 560-4035
Kevin Construction Co. (home improvement) 905 Ware St., S.W. 242-1177	Last month's newsletter reported a change of ownership for Happy Hours Day Care Center, 325 Nutley St., N.W. The Town Manager's office has been notified that the ownership of this business remains the same.	

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SOLID WASTE REGULATIONS

Town of Vienna,
Virginia

Department of
Public Works
255-6382

February 1999

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The Public Works Department will not pick up the following items:

1. Gas tanks
2. Fuel oil tanks
3. Pressurized tanks such as propane, air or freon.
4. Mounted tires (Town crews will pick up the tire and the rim as long as they are separated.)
5. Tree stumps and tree parts over 6 inches in diameter
6. Paint cans
7. Biohazardous waste including needles and syringes
8. Contractor generated material.
9. Brush and trash that are mixed.

NOTES:

- Plastic trash bags may be purchased from the Finance Department at Town Hall every weekday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
- Hazardous materials such as fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, fluorescent light tubes, etc. can be disposed of through the Fairfax County Hazardous Waste Disposal Program. The drop-off center for hazardous waste is the I-66 Citizens' Recycling and Disposal Facility located at 4618 West Ox Road (just beyond the Fire & Rescue training academy). Call 324-5068 for further information.
- Large tree stumps can be disposed of at the Fairfax County Transfer Station located on West Ox Road or at the Fairfax County Landfill located in Lorton, Virginia.
- No special pickups are made in November and December due to leaf collection.

Each special pickup is limited to one dump truck load per residence or nonprofit organization located in a residential zone. Each residence receives two free pickups per year. Additional pickups may be arranged at a charge of \$75.00 per load for all items except for brush; additional loads of brush will be charged at \$25.00 each. Residents or nonprofit organizations may call the Special Pickup Hotline at 255-5727 to arrange for a special pickup. The amounts and type of debris are limited to the following:

1. Discarded furniture, swing sets and play-ground equipment.
2. Sod and brush.
3. 300 pounds of scrap metal per residence, small automobile parts such as engine blocks, transmissions and tires. All tires must be removed from the rim.
4. Trees and limbs of a diameter greater than 1½ inches and less than 6 inches and no more than 8 feet in length.
5. Each residence will be limited to the disposal of two major appliances per special pickup. Major appliances shall include stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, and furnaces.
6. Building materials, which shall include the following items: wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall, and paneling. Each residence shall be limited to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc. per pickup.
7. Please refrain from placing piles of brush under power lines or trees, or close to shrubs, walls or vehicles. Place all piles in an open area accessible to a crane truck.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Model Railroaders are celebrating their 50th anniversary this year and invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Donations accepted. For more information, call 938-5157 or visit the Railroaders' website at www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/6120.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, will meet at 11 a.m. Saturday, February 6, at the Marco Polo Restaurant. Mrs. Stephen A. Ward will speak on "Courting of First Ladies." Call 352-0857 for more information.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Vienna Chapter 1116, will meet on Tuesday, February 2, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the Flame Room at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. The guest speaker will be Paul Snodgrass, current president of Historic Vienna, Inc., and the Fairfax Genealogical Society. Visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, call Bob Stankey at 591-6310.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold its regular luncheon meeting on Thursday, February 11, at Marco Polo Restaurant. The program will feature Regina Olchowski from the Northern Virginia Mediation Service. For luncheon reservations, call 938-4835.

Did You Know? This newsletter is printed on recyclable white paper. Vienna residents and businesses are invited to bring their newsletters to the blue bins behind Town Hall to be recycled along with other white paper such as bond, copier and computer paper. (Colored ink on white paper is acceptable.)

The evening will also include an array of raffles and an auction of prizes ranging from Las Vegas trips to jewelry. Make reservations by sending a check for \$45 per person payable to: VRCC, 513 Maple Ave., W., Vienna, VA 22180. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce office at 281-1333.

Coffee house at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., N.E., beginning at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 6. Admission is free. The evening will feature live music by the Praze Band, and an open mike will be available. Sign up to bring your act onto the stage by calling Danny Niblett at 242-8289.

The Vienna Woman's Club will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 20, at the Nielson residence, 8704 Park St. Barbara Acosta of Merrifield Garden Center will offer practical suggestions about raising perennials and answer questions from the audience. For more information, call 978-3425 or 573-3926.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., invites all Vietnam era and Gulf War veterans and friends to attend the February 18 meeting at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will feature a guest speaker and an opportunity to renew special veteran camaraderie. For more information, call 255-0353 or visit the web page at www.geocities.com/pentagon/8305.

Patrick Henry Library offers programs for preschoolers, school age children, and adults. On Tuesday, February 9, at 7 p.m. youngsters age 12 and up are invited to meet the Father of Our Country as portrayed by a George Washington historical interpreter. This activity is free of charge, but space is limited and advance registration is required. For more information, call the library at 938-0405.

Model railroad open house at the Vienna Railroad Station Saturday, February 13, from 1 to 5 p.m. The Northern Virginia

Free tax help for middle to low income taxpayers will be offered free of charge each Wednesday, February 17-April 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Crestar Bank building, 515 Maple Ave., E. (The elevator inside the bank's side door on Berry Street offers easy access to the tax assistance site on the third floor.) This program is sponsored by AARP and the IRS. Participants should bring with them copies of 1997 federal and Virginia returns, if available; federal and Virginia tax forms and booklets for 1998; documents showing 1998 income (wages, interest, dividends, pensions, Social Security benefits, etc.); Social Security number for all dependents; and receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions.

Bland Music Scholarship Contest, sponsored by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 27, at the Vienna Assembly of God, located at the corner of Center Street and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. The contest is open to students through grade 12 in both vocal and instrumental divisions, and winners will compete at the State level for scholarships totaling over \$12,000. The entry deadline is February 20. Application forms are available at area schools, or call contest chairman Jack Dovel, 938-3371, or assistant chairman Al Naurock, 934-8559.

Antiques appraisers Josephine Thrasher and Jim Johnson will be at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Saturday, March 6, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. They will give a verbal appraisal of the approximate age and current value of any item, up to three items per person, for \$7.50 per item (\$5 for Historic Vienna Inc. members). A photograph may be brought if the piece is too large. To make an appointment and for more information, call 938-9668.

6th annual Casino Night & Taste of Vienna, sponsored by the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce, will be held on Saturday, March 13, beginning at 7 p.m. at Westwood Country Club. Enjoy a variety of casino games played for "funny money" and samplings of food from local restaurants.

ROUTES

Monday and Thursday

All residences north of Maple Avenue.

Tuesday and Friday

All residences south of Maple Avenue and east of Cottage Street.

Wednesday and Thursday

All residences south of Maple Avenue, west of Cottage Street, and north of Tapawingo Road (including both sides of Tapawingo).

Wednesday and Friday

All residences south of Tapawingo Road (but not including Tapawingo), west of Cottage Street, and north of the Town line.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Collection for regular trash and yard waste (except bundled brush) will be made once weekly on the first collection day of the week.

Collection for mixed recyclable materials, newspapers and bundled brush will be made once weekly on the second collection day of the week.

Collection will not be scheduled for Sundays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. When a regular collection day is missed because of adverse weather conditions, a holiday, or mechanical difficulties, collections will be made on the next regularly scheduled day for that route.

Every effort will be made to cover the established routes as efficiently as possible. Whenever adjustments in the schedule occur, notices to this effect will be placed in the *Vienna Newsletter* and local papers.

REFUSE

Regular household trash, and yard waste consisting of grass, leaves, small clippings, acorns,

walnuts, tree vegetation, etc., will be collected on the first day of the scheduled route. Yard waste must be bagged and separated from the regular trash (20 bag maximum and 40 lb. weight per bag maximum). Dirt will not be accepted with yard waste.

All refuse shall be placed at the curbline or edge of pavement by 7:00 A.M. on collection day (but not earlier than 6:00 P.M. the preceding evening) where it will be easily and safely accessible. Refuse containers shall not be placed and left on a sidewalk or any portion of a street right-of-way where they would interfere with traffic. All trash cans shall be removed from the curbline or edge of pavement as soon as possible after trash pickup and by 7:00 P.M. the same evening as collection. The Town reserves the right to designate the collection point where there is a question or doubt.

All trash containers shall be regular water-tight cans made of metal, or plastic (if non-breakable), equipped with handles, tight-fitting covers and with good bottoms. Cans with a maximum capacity weight, quality and type expressly designed for refuse disposal shall be used. Paper bags used in trash compactors and plastic bags may be substituted for cans. The bags shall be removed from the can or other holder, tied at the top, and placed at the curbline or edge of pavement.

In the interest of health and safety, defective trash cans will be red-tagged by trash crews indicating that they are no longer suitable for use. These will be removed the first pickup the following week if left at curbside in an upside-down position.

RECYCLABLES

Mixed recyclable materials, newspapers, and bundled brush will be collected on the second day of the scheduled trash route. (See section on "Routes" above.) Recyclables shall be placed at

the curb or edge of pavement by 7:00 A.M. on collection day (but not earlier than 6:00 P.M. the preceding evening) where they will be easily and safely accessible. Recyclables shall be prepared in the following manner:

MIXED MATERIALS: GLASS bottles and jars, all colors; PLASTIC bottles and jugs; METAL food and beverage cans; and ALUMINUM foil and plates shall be placed together in a transparent plastic bag.

NEWSPAPERS: Shall be bundled with string or placed in brown paper (not plastic) bags separate from other recyclables.

BRUSH: Shall be cut in four-foot lengths and bundled. The diameter for brush collected in bundles is limited to 1½ inches.

(Cardboard is not currently collected at curbside but can be taken to the recycling center at the Vienna Community Center.)

SPECIAL PICKUPS

Each residence or nonprofit organization located in a residential zone is allowed two free special pickups each year. All items shall be placed at the curb or edge of pavement and on the front side of the property. Discards shall not be placed so that they block the sidewalk or street. Discards shall not be placed around trees, poles, signs, fences, or other obstructions. All materials must be separated from brush.

Residents must call for a special pickup as soon as they place discards at the curb or edge of pavement. Residents not complying will be notified that they have 48 hours in which to call for a special pickup. After issuing the notice and no action is taken by the resident, the Town will schedule and collect the debris. The resident will then be charged for the appropriate number of special pickups.

WOULD YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN SUCH ORGANIZATIONS OR YOUR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION(S) OR BUSINESS ACTIVITY POSE ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR INAPPROPRIATE ASSOCIATION AS A MEMBER OF A TOWN BOARD OR COMMISSION?

IN A FEW WORDS, PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR INTERESTS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND INDICATE HOW YOUR APPOINTMENT TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL QUALITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN VIENNA:

WHICH BOARD OR COMMISSION INTERESTS YOU MOST?

WHY?

Note: The Town's boards and commissions have a small number of members, and relatively few vacancies occur each year. Your application, therefore, may not be acted on immediately but may be held in a citizen "talent bank" until such time as a vacancy, or other Town project, matching your abilities and interests is available. Your interest in serving the Town is sincerely acknowledged and appreciated.

Planning Commission - approves preliminary plats of subdivisions, prepares the Comprehensive Plan for the future development of the town, hears and makes recommendations to Council on rezoning requests and other planning and zoning matters.

Board of Zoning Appeals - is authorized to hear and decide appeals of any decision made by the Director of Planning and Zoning, grant variances from the zoning code, approve conditional use permits, and interpret the zoning map.

Board of Architectural Review - examines and approves plans for commercial buildings, signs and landscaping to ensure that new construction is not bizarre or garish and is harmonious and compatible with existing buildings.

Transportation Safety Commission - studies intersections, traffic signs, speed limits and other matters relating to street safety and makes recommendations to Council.

Windover Heights Board of Review - approves new construction and major exterior alterations of buildings within the Windover Heights Historic District in northwest Vienna to ensure that they are in keeping with the old and historic architectural aspect of the surroundings.

Town/Business Liaison Committee - makes studies and offers recommendations to Council on matters affecting the town's businesses and their relationship with other segments of the community.

Community Beautification Commission - created to act as the focal point for beautification and litter control programs.

BRING OR MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AT VIENNA TOWN HALL, 127 CENTER ST., S., VIENNA, VA 22180.

Preparing for the Year 2000

This year much attention will be focused on preparations to become "Y2K compliant." Many businesses and government agencies, including the Town of Vienna, are working very hard to make sure computer systems continue to operate properly when the year 2000 arrives. The Town anticipates its system being 100% compliant at that time.

At this point, no one knows exactly what problems may occur, how widespread they may be, or how long they will last. The good news, however, is that (1) many private sector and government organizations are running Y2K simulations to assure compliance, (2) all the problems can be fixed once they are identified, and (3) many companies will activate contingency plans while they are working on permanent solutions to the "millennium bug." The Town does not anticipate major problems with government or private sector basic services on which we all depend for daily living.

One Vienna resident, who works as a technology company executive dealing with Y2K compliance issues, takes a differing view, however, and has written to the Mayor and Town Council suggesting the following precautions just in case any unforeseen difficulties arise next January 1. Consistent with the Town's practice to publish citizen comment of general interest, her views are set forth as follows:

- Have some extra cash on hand in case computer-controlled electronic transactions involving ATM cards, credit cards, and the like cannot be processed. Plan to keep cash in a safe place, and withdraw money from your bank in small amounts well in advance of December 31, 1999, to avoid long lines at the bank at the last minute.
- Plan to fill your automobile gas tank a day or so before December 31, 1999.
- In case the power fails, plan to use alternative cooking devices in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Be careful of open flames or charcoal grills indoors.
- Have extra blankets, coats, hats, and gloves to keep warm. Use extreme care with gas-fueled appliances, like an oven, as an alternative heating source. The same goes for wood-burning or liquid-fueled heating devices that are not designed to be used in a residential structure. Camp stoves and heaters should only be used out of doors in a well-ventilated area. If you do purchase an alternative heating device, make sure it is approved for use indoors and is listed with the Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Have plenty of flashlights and extra batteries on hand. Use extreme care if candles are used for emergency lighting, especially with children around.
- Examine your smoke alarms now. If you have smoke alarms that are hard-wired into your home's electrical system (most newer ones are), check to see if they have battery backups. Every fall, replace all batteries in all smoke alarms as a general fire safety precaution.
- Be prepared to relocate to a shelter for warmth and protection in the very unlikely event of a prolonged power outage or if for any other reason local officials require that you leave your home. Listen to a battery-operated radio or television for information about where shelters will be available. (The Town does not anticipate any need whatever for shelters or any other major emergency of this magnitude.)
- If you plan to use a portable generator, connect what you want to power directly to the generator; do not connect the generator to your home's electrical system. Also, be sure to keep the generator in a well-ventilated area, either outside or in a garage with the door open. Don't operate a generator in your basement or anywhere inside your home.
- Check with manufacturers of any essential computer-controlled electronic equipment in your home to see if that equipment may be affected. This includes fire and security alarm systems, programmable thermostats, appliances, consumer electronics, garage door openers, electronic locks, and any other electronic equipment in which an "embedded chip" may control its operation.
- NOVA Y2K is a local community action group focusing on individual and community preparedness for Y2K in Northern Virginia. Its web site, www.novay2k.org, offers information and links to related sites. The group can also be reached by phone at 698-1961.

The Town of Vienna Newsletter welcomes comment on this and other matters of public policy.

Beltway Task Force Schedules Public Info Meetings

The Fairfax County Beltway Improvement Task Force has scheduled a series of public information meetings for residents in communities most likely to be impacted by the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) proposed Beltway improvements. The meeting nearest to Vienna will be held on Tuesday, February 9, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at Churchill Road Elementary School, 7100 Churchill Rd. in McLean.

The task force was established by the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors to look at ways to improve this vital transportation route while protecting those communities that might be impacted in the process. Membership includes community and business representatives. Vienna's representative to the task force is Town Councilman Mike Polychrones.

At the February 9 meeting VDOT staff will make a brief presentation and the task force will present an alternative plan. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment. They may also submit written comments to: Beltway Improvement Task Force, c/o Office of Board Chairman, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Suite 530, Fairfax, VA 22035.

For more information, call the Chairman's Office at 324-2321.

Broadleaf Drive Traffic Calming Survey Results

The Public Works Department has received general consensus from residents directly affected by the proposed installation of speed humps on Broadleaf Drive, N.E. The consensus favors two speed humps (Option #2), one to be placed near 306 Broadleaf and one between 318 and 320 Broadleaf. Twenty-three responses were received of the 26 letters sent out to residents. Of those responses, only three were in favor of Option #1, one speed hump located near 314 Broadleaf. Therefore, two speed humps will be installed sometime this spring.

Community Center Closed

The Vienna Community Center is closed this winter while major renovations are underway. Classes and other activities that are normally held at the Community Center have been relocated or canceled. Classes at the Bowman House Arts and Crafts Center will be held as usual.

The Community Center staff has moved into temporary quarters at 111 A Center St., S., the building next door to Town Hall. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration for activities will be accepted either in person or by mail. After hours, registration forms may be placed in the drop box on the front door of Town Hall.

The department office phone number remains the same, 255-6360.

The Parks and Recreation Department appreciates your patience during the Community Center renovation project.

Thanks for Your Support!

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department thanks all the businesses and volunteers that made its New Year's Eve Party for 7th, 8th and 9th graders a success. Over 170 teens brought in the new year with dancing, games, door prizes, lots of food, and a "Times Square" countdown to midnight.

A special thank you goes to Crestar Bank, 515 Maple Ave., E., for providing the space to hold the party while the Vienna Community Center is closed for renovations. Contributing to the festivities were the Optimist Club of Vienna, Vienna (Host) Lions Club, Vienna Moose Lodge, Domino's Pizza, Cellular One, Anita's Mexican Restaurant, and Fairfax Bowl America.

Thanks also to these volunteer chaperones: Joan Johnson, Julian Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Brooke Johnson, and Joe Boscoe from the Optimist Club; Town Councilman Al Boudreau and his wife Alice; Town Councilwoman Jane Seeman; and Joyce Noe, Karen Price, Martha Tidwell, Christy Tomasetti, and Jim Tomasetti, all residents of Vienna and the surrounding area.

Rabies Still on the Increase

In the latest annual compilation, cats were ranked fourth in the list of total rabies cases in Virginia and dogs seventh. These totals, recorded for 1997, included a record number of rabid cats statewide. Rabies in domestic animals is of special concern because of the increased potential for people to be exposed to the disease.

Rabies in cats and dogs is preventable, but it presents a real public health threat if these animals are not vaccinated. The law requires all cats and dogs over four months old to be vaccinated and to receive regular boosters during their lifetime.

Fairfax County operates a rabies infoline at 324-BITE. The 24-hour recording gives weekly updates on rabies cases in the county plus information on how to spot a rabid animal, what to do if bitten, and tips on how to keep your family and pets safe from rabid animals.

For more information about any of the activities listed below, including location, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

Ski Whitetail on Saturday, March 6. A charter bus will leave Vienna at 7 a.m. and return around 7 p.m. Children under 11 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is \$70 for transportation, lift, and ski or snowboard rental; \$55 for transportation and learn to ski package; \$55 for transportation and lift; and \$25 for transportation only. Reservation deadline February 19.

No more calls, please! The overnight trip to Atlantic City in March is sold out.

Spring co-ed softball league games begin on April 18, and Town of Vienna residents have priority registration through February 5. All games will be played on Sundays at Southside Park beginning at 11 a.m. The registration fee of \$375 per team includes 14 regular season double-header games, a double elimination tournament, umpire fees, softballs, and awards. A maximum of 16 teams will be accepted in the league on a first-come, first-served basis.

Vienna Men's Softball League will hold its annual meeting for the 1999 season at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 2, at Town Hall. The meeting will include information on team fees, registration procedures, scheduling of games, and league regulations.

Bowling for senior citizens on Tuesday, February 16, at 1 p.m. The approximate cost for two games is \$3.50. Participants carpool to the bowling alley. Space is limited, so register early. Bowlers of all ability levels are welcome.

Annual photography contest applications will be available beginning February 3. The show will be held March 20 and 21, and is open to metro area amateur photographers. There is also a separate contest section for middle school and high school students.

DATE: _____

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

YEAR MOVED TO VIENNA: _____ TELEPHONE NO.: H: _____

PLACE OF WORK & OCCUPATIONAL TITLE: _____ O: _____

RESIDE WITHIN TOWN LIMITS? _____ REGISTERED VOTER IN TOWN OF VIENNA? _____

OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY (may attach professional résumé) AND SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE THAT WOULD PREPARE YOU FOR SERVICE AS AN ADVISOR TO TOWN COUNCIL:

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS (Please list courses taken that would relate directly to public administration/problem solving.):

Membership on boards and commissions often entails several evening meetings throughout the year. Normally, most boards and commissions meet at least once monthly, with an occasional extra meeting per month.

CAN YOU EXPECT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THESE MEETINGS? _____

IS THERE ANY PARTICULAR EVENING(S) PER MONTH ON WHICH YOU COULD NORMALLY NOT BE AVAILABLE?

HAVE YOU SERVED, OR DO YOU CURRENTLY SERVE, ON BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS? _____ IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:

IN WHAT CIVIC OR SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS ARE YOU ACTIVE? _____