McKownville Improvement Association Online Meeting Thursday, May 20, 2021 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Dear McKownville Neighbors:

We have a full agenda for our last meeting before we break for the summer. Senator Michelle Hinchey will speak about her first term as a member of the New York State legislature, and answer questions from the audience. James Carter from the State Historic Preservation Office will update us on the status of the National Register nomination for listing a portion of McKownville as a historic district. Town Supervisor Peter Barber will tell us about the Town's continuing response to COVID-19, and improvements to parks, sidewalks, and the Carman Road/Lydius Street roundabout; and representatives from National Grid and Delaware Engineering will update us on the gas line replacement and storm water projects. For now, we are continuing to meet online via the Zoom platform, and Delaware Engineering is hosting our meeting again this month.

Our next meeting will take place in September on a date yet to be determined.

Join the meeting by computer:

No passcode is required for this meeting.

Beginning shortly before 7:00 p.m., you may join the meeting from your computer by carefully typing in the following address: *

Next, enter Meeting ID: *

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If you are joining the meeting from your cell phone, dial +1 646 876 9923

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When prompted, please be sure to click where indicated to join the meeting via both audio and video.

Again, no passcode is required for this meeting.

*The necessary numbers and web address have been provided on the flyer distributed to households in the neighborhood, and will be made available on the day of the meeting in a separate pdf file accessible through a link on the Meetings page of this website.

Other News:

At our April 14 meeting Michael DiAcetis from National Grid emphasized that although the gas line replacement project is winding down, concerns regarding the restoration of lawns and paved areas will continue to be addressed. He encouraged residents to call National Grid's customer service line at (800) 642-4272 with any complaints. Also at the April meeting, representatives from the McKownville Fire Department updated us on the status of the department's efforts to locate a new site for the firehouse, or to either modernize the existing building or rebuild on the current site to meet 21st century requirements. McKownville residents will need to approve any land purchase or building project, and we were assured that we will be kept informed throughout the process.

Jordan Carleo-Evangelist from UAlbany sent an email regarding measures that have been put in place to allow graduating students and family members to take part in commencement ceremonies without the risk of spreading COVID-19. Briefly, smaller ceremonies will take place over the course of seven days beginning on May 15, and we may expect a to hear a certain amount of noise coming from the campus during these times. You can read the full message here:

https://mckownville.org/1meetings/SUNYAgraduation2021.pdf

Delaware Engineering provided an update on plans to continue the storm water improvement project. You may read that document by following this link:

 $https://mckownville.org/2projects/FAQ7_Town_of_Guilderland 20210428.pdf$

Website: www.McKownville.org

Our website is updated promptly when new information becomes available. The News page, and the Announcements page linked there, are the places to look for this. The website now has an RSS feed, an update notification service which you can use independently, available in or by add-on to some of the common web browsers, or in a separate RSS reader program on your device. An explanation of this is provided on our website through a link on the Announcements page.

Subscription to the Association email list

A reminder: if you don't already subscribe to our email list but would like to receive occasional updates from us, please take the following simple steps:

- 1). Go to the webpage https://mckownville.org/MIAallsubunsub.html (or use the link to this form on the Meetings page of the website).
- 2). Fill out the form and submit the information by clicking on the labelled green button. A request confirmation page will appear.
- 3). An email message with a link will be sent to your address. If you do not receive this message, look for it in your spam/junk mail folder. You must follow the link to verify and activate your subscription. If you do not submit this verification your email address will not be added to our list.

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