

## Bluemont Citizens Association Monthly Meeting Notes

July 7, 2021 (Zoom Meeting)

**In Attendance:** Peter Weeks, Henry Plaster, Dave Ewald, Tom Rust, Kate Zurschmeide, Judy Anderson, Bill Bogard, Mary Marks, Tim Hall, John Constant, Sheri Conrad, Scott Seeberger

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 PM:** Peter Weeks, presiding

President Remarks:

Friends of The Blue Ridge Mountains - AT&T was denied putting a tower on the mountain. Planning commission voted 6-3 denying it. Danger of setting precedent for other towers and construction projects. It now goes before the Loudoun Board of Supervisors.

### Treasurer's Report/Budget

Tim Hall - See Attached Report

### Standing Committees

Bluemont Fair - Cynthia Morris, Jen Stone

Fair is scheduled September 18th and 19th.

**Volunteers needed for parking.** High School students can earn community volunteer credit hours. Contact John Constant: John@atokaproperities to volunteer.

Bluemont Heritage - Peter Weeks, Kevin Hart

- Education in Bluemont in the 19th and 20th Centuries has opened at the Plaster Museum from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Loudoun Historic Village Alliance - Peter Weeks

Loudoun Historic Village Alliance is still trying to work out solution for land in St. Louis where a developer wishes to place multiple houses endangering the water supply of local residents. Board of Supervisors voted to sell "The Aldie Assemblage" to a local resident who plans to preserve the buildings and setting.

### Community Organizations/Events

Community Center/Parks & Rec - Sheri Conrad

- Bluemont Community Center - Floors are completed and look beautiful. Summer camp is underway. Classes are back to pre-covid capacity.
- First "Jammin' on the Porch" in June was successful. Next Jammin' on the Porch is August 27th with music and food truck.

Snickersville Turnpike Association - Henry Plaster

- Snickersville Turnpike Association - contracted with Jane Covington to make application to designate Snickersville Turnpike a national historic landmark.

- Widening the one lane bridge on Foggy Bottom has begun in earnest and should be completed in one to two weeks.
- New signage designating “First Agricultural Institution” will be erected on eastern section of Snickersville Turnpike

#### **Old Business:**

- Farmers Market - Sundays 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#### **New Business:**

- VDOT traffic calming - Tony Buffington’s office and VDOT asked for numbers to put in Speed Humps (stamped concrete). Different texture tells people to slow down. They will be installed in two places.
- In the event of a catastrophic event, BCA is in the process of creating an emergency plan for livestock. An upcoming course, “Large Animal 911” will be offered at the Loudoun County Fairgrounds August 28th-30th. <http://loudounequine.org/large-animal-911-large-animal-emergency-rescue-training>. This course addresses stray animals on the road, evacuations due to tornados, flood, drought, wild fire, etc.
- VDOT - approved to install enhanced safety measures approaching and leaving the intersection of Snickersville Turnpike and Foggy Bottom Road.
- 2.5 million dollars is available via The American Rescue Act and applications are due by July 28th. Ideas of how this money can help the Bluemont Community?

#### Henway Hard Cider Company Special Events for Neighbors in Bluemont

- Saturday, July 10th: Margaritaville feat Tropical Attitudes  
They will be playing laid-back beachy tunes pondside from 1 pm to 5 pm. We are extending the Zurschmeide Family Discount on this event to anyone with a Bluemont address using the Promo code ZIP20135.  
<https://henwayhardcidercompany.ticketspice.com/margaritaville-with-tropical-attitudes-band>
- Sunday, July 11th: Paws for a Cause  
We are so excited to welcome the Canines-N-Kids Foundation on Sunday - their mission being to crush cancer at both ends of the leash. Tickets for this event include a tasting around the pond and 50% of the ticket proceeds are donated back to the foundation.
- Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation will also be at the event from 11 am to 4 pm for onsite pet adoptions. We have such an amazing animal-loving community, so I figured there might be interested in adopting a new fur friend! <https://henwayhardcidercompany.ticketspice.com/paws-for-a-cause>

**Adjournment: 8:09 p.m.**

**Next Meeting: August 4, 2021 7:00 PM (Location TBD - Possibly Dirt Farm Brewery)**