

Summer 2018



Drum Point Light

Drum Point Property Owners' Association

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DRUM POINT DAY AT THE DRUM POINT CLUB*

In celebration of the Fourth of July

**The Club gate will open at noon, so come early
to relax and enjoy the beach and water.**

The picnic and games will begin at 5:00.

Enjoy hotdogs, hamburgers, potato salad, chips, soda and water.

*Then settle in at 9:00 and enjoy the view of the
Solomon's Fireworks display!*



**Co-sponsored by:
The Drum Point Property Owners' Association
And The Drum Point Club**

**Event is open to all Drum Point property owners,
residents and their guests.
The community beach gate will close at 8:00 p.m.*

INVASIVE PLANT UPDATE

In last fall's newsletter, we talked about Phragmites, an invasive species along our beaches and waterways. While attractive, with a large plume-like flower and stalk achieving 13 ft. in height, it is an aggressive spreader that will edge out native plant species resulting in dense stands, inhospitable to native plant and animal life. After consulting with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), DPPOA engaged the services of certified specialist Mark Smith to spray common areas. This spraying will continue annually each fall until 2021. Property owners who wish to control Phragmites on their waterfronts can engage Mr. Smith this fall. While the cost of the service will be the responsibility of the property owner, the owner will be covered by the DPPOA permit. Mr. Smith will inspect properties and provide estimates in late June or early July. Let the Association office know if you might be interested in being involved in this year's spraying.

President's Column

Tony Spakauskas, President DPPOA Board of Directors



Friends and Neighbors,

I'm sure all of us are very happy to finally welcome warm weather and are looking forward to all of those outdoor activities we enjoy so much

The weather is not the only thing we get to welcome in this spring newsletter. We have two new DPPOA Board members: John Manca and Alyssa Holiday, and four returning Directors: Jack Andre, Gina Swartwood, Asha Andreas and me (please see biographies for all six on the DPPOA website at www.dppoa.org). Congratulations to all on the election by acclamation at the last General Membership Meeting. Thank you for your commitment to work for community improvement over the next few years. I do hope you will enjoy your experience and look forward to working with all of you to continue improving our Drum Point Community.

Our Fiscal Year begins on July 1st. The proposed Fiscal Year 2019 Budget is in this newsletter. I urge everyone to please read and examine the proposed budget. I then urge you to attend the next General Membership Meeting, on June 27th, to ask any questions you might have and to vote on this proposal. Remember without your approval, the Board can take no action to improve services. If we have a quorum (35 memberships in good standing represented) at the meeting and the budget is approved, we will be able to start the fiscal year with an approved budget. If you are unable to attend the meeting on the 27th, you can pick up an absentee ballot in the Association office. The ballot must be placed in an envelope marked ballot, which will be provided along with the ballot. Per Article V of the Association By-laws, all absentee ballots that are received count toward the quorum.

Even though we are just starting our spring and early summer yard activities, please think a bit about the fall and what we have to do then -- Phragmites control. Watch your wet areas, and if you notice Phragmites, contact Rhea for information about our continuing control efforts.

Please enjoy the pleasures nature gives us here by the bay -- fish, boat, and sail safely. Don't forget the sunblock. See you at the General Membership Meeting.

Tony



Mosquito Control

Calvert County will soon begin spraying for mosquitos. For anyone wishing to have their area excluded, the rules have changed. Regardless of whether you've made this request in the past, it will be necessary for you to go to the County website and print the exemption form. Fill it out and submit it directly to the address on the form.

Copy and paste the link into your browser (<http://www.co.cal.md.us/index.aspx?nid=383>). Scroll down and click on "Exemption From Adult Mosquito Spraying."

Maryland's Updated Smoke Alarm Law

A new law, requiring the replacement of battery-only operated smoke alarms with units which use sealed 10 year lithium-ion battery smoke alarms, went into effect January 1, 2108.

The new law is an effort to achieve more reliable smoke alarm coverage in older dwellings.

For more information about this new requirement, go to www.dppoa.org and click on the "security" link at the top of the homepage. Scroll down and click on the link.

Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

A vote for approval of the DPPOA budget will be held at the annual meeting of the General Membership, scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 27th at the Drum Point Club (absentee ballots will be available in the DPPOA office). Please note that the vote will be conducted in order to approve the Covenant and Mandatory Assessment (MA) portion of the budget only. The Special Tax District (STD) budget was approved by the Board of County Commissioners and cannot be changed. The State Highway User Revenue (SHUR) budget is administered by the County. Both the STD and the SHUR portions of the budget are provided for informational purposes only. The full budget is available at the DPPOA office and can be viewed on the Association website at www.dppoa.org. Click on the link in the Office Hours box.

		STD	SHUR	Covenant FY 19	MA FY 19	Total FY 19
	Income	148,971	7,000	124,134	51,032	331,137
	Income from Carry-over					49,025
	Total Available Funds					380,162
Expenses						
General Operating						
	Total 6000 - General and Administrative	200	100	1,150	5,350	6,800
	Total 6100 - Office Facility			3,160	3,040	6,200
	Total 6200 - Payroll Expenses			40,464	20,117	60,581
	Total 6300 - Professional Fees	4,500		8,000		12,500
	Total 6400 - Taxes and Insurance			300	6,530	6,830
	Total 6500 - Utilities			2,788	1,988	4,776
	Total General Operating	4,700	100	55,862	37,025	97,687
Operations and Maintenance						
	Total 6600 - Maintenance - Non Right of Way			1,700	11,250	12,950
	Total 6700 - Maintenance - Right of Way	21,925	6,900	32,300	11,400	72,525
	Total Operations and Maintenance	21,925	6,900	34,000	22,650	85,475
Capital Projects						
	Total 6800 - Capital Improvement Projects	122,346	-	52,654	-	175,000
	Total 6900 - Capital Overhead			22,000		22,000
	Total Capital Projects	122,346	-	74,654	-	197,000
	Total Income	148,971	7,000	124,134	51,032	331,137
	Income from Carry-over					49,025
	Total Income including Carryover					380,162
	Total Expenses	148,971	7,000	164,516	59,675	380,162

Board of Directors

With six candidates for the Board and six open seats for the upcoming year, a motion was made during the March 24th meeting of the General Membership to elect the slate of candidates by acclamation. In addition to Tony Spakauskas, Jack Andre, Gina Swartwood and Asha Andreas, who are currently serving, John Manca and Alyssa Holiday will join the Board beginning in July 2018. You can read their biographies on the Association website at www.dppoa.org. See the link on the homepage.



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General Membership Meeting

All meetings will be conducted according to Maryland Code, Corporations and Associations, Title 5, Sub Title 2, section (§) 5-206. which states, If the number of members present at a meeting does not meet the requirements of a quorum, those present may call another meeting to meet quorum requirements. At the additional meeting, the members present in person constitute a quorum.*

*Per the DPPOA Attorney - Any and all business of the Association can be discussed at the meeting.

General Membership Meeting

Agenda

7:00 P.M. Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Drum Point Club

Call to Order

President's Remarks

Approval of Minutes

Guest Speakers

Candidates for County Commissioner

Earl (Buddy) Hance

Tricia Powell

Committee Reports

Presentation of FY 19 Budget

Old Business

New Business

Public Comments

Adjournment