

McKownville Improvement Association
Online Meeting
Thursday, March 18, 2021
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Dear McKownville Neighbors:

As spring approaches we are looking forward not only to warmer weather and burgeoning growth, but also to emerging from this past year when many of us were forced to keep close to home because of Covid-19. I hope that you have remained healthy and that your families have not suffered any significant hardships. At best, we have had an unusual opportunity for reflection and resetting our priorities. Although we're not yet able to meet in person, we're fortunate that we are able to meet virtually, and I hope that you will join us on Thursday for a varied program.

Guilderland Town Supervisor Peter Barber will update us on the Town's response to COVID-19, describe the next steps in the the reopening process, and outline tentative plans for the summer recreation program and the Guilderland Performing Arts Center.

Michael Burgess and Tony Cortese will describe services and programs that Community Caregivers provides to many of our older neighbors despite the pandemic. They will also discuss the status of the "Village" that some volunteers in our town are working to form that will enable seniors to remain in their homes and continue to be engaged with their community.

Representatives from National Grid will update us on the progress of the gas main replacement project now underway in McKownville, and at the end of the evening there will be an opportunity for an open discussion. Once again, Delaware Engineering is kindly hosting the meeting via the Zoom platform.

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 14th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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: *

Join the meeting by cell phone:

If you are joining the meeting from your cell phone, dial *

Then enter Meeting ID: *

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:

National Grid gas main replacement

Work on the gas main replacement project is well underway. Any update here would be out of date before you receive this notice, but occasional updates are sent to our email subscribers and then posted on our website. For the most up to date information, please attend our March 18 meeting.

Covid-19 vaccination events

As the vaccine becomes more widely available "pop-up" vaccination clinics are being held on a rather short notice. On March 8, the Guilderland EMS department was able to administer 100 doses to eligible seniors. When I have learned of these events I have sent out informational emails, and I hope that some of you were able to secure appointments. I will continue to do this when I hear of other such opportunities.

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 Contacts and 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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