

McKownville Improvement Association
Public Meeting
Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m
Hampton Inn, 1442 Western Avenue

Once again, we have a full agenda planned for our May meeting. Guilderland Superintendent of Schools Marie Wiles will speak about the District's proposed budget for the 2024-2025 school year and, as usual, Town Supervisor Peter Barber will share information on various topics. Kate Brittenham was scheduled to speak at our April meeting but had to cancel due to illness. She'll be with us this month to tell us about the importance of native plantings in our ecosystem, and plans for the garden that will be installed on the grounds of Unity Lutheran Church beginning this spring. Kate is a landscape designer and owner of Front Stoop Gardens in Troy, and she was hired by Wild Ones to design this important and interesting project. Following Kate's presentation, candidates for positions on the Guilderland school and library boards will have the opportunity to introduce themselves and answer questions from the audience. At the end of the meeting there will be an election for all officers of the McKownville Improvement Association and for a position on the Board of Directors.

When scheduled, the dates for our fall meetings will be posted at mckownville.org website

REMINDER: Please be sure to join us in McKownville Park at noon on Saturday, May 18th, to celebrate the dedication of the William McKown roadside marker, and the 100th anniversary of the founding of the McKownville Improvement Association. We are pleased that Town Supervisor Peter Barber, Guilderland Town Historian Mary Ellen Johnson, and Albany County Historian Jack McEneny will be taking part in the dedication ceremony. Following the dedication there will be a cookout and potluck picnic lunch. Children's activities will include a corn hole game and an opportunity to tour one of the McKFD's fire engines. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided by the McKownville Fire Department. Vegetarian burgers will also be on the menu. Please bring a chair, a beverage, and a dish to share. If it rains the picnic will be moved to the McKownville Firehouse. Please see the flyer that accompanies this announcement for additional details.

McKownville Fire Department: On April 23, a referendum was held to authorize the Fire District to construct a new fire station. The proposition was overwhelmingly approved with a vote of 109-28. The members of the McKownville Fire Department sincerely appreciate the show of support and confidence expressed by this vote.

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