

McKownville Improvement Association Public Meeting

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Hampton Inn, 1442 Western Avenue

Our September meeting will begin with announcements regarding Town news and upcoming events. Next, Senior Paramedic Supervisor Alex Downey from Guilderland Emergency Medical Services will speak to us about the important work that he and his co-workers provide throughout our town 365 days a year, and answer any questions you may have. Finally, volunteers from the McKownville Fire Department will update us on progress toward the building of the new firehouse. Please join us!

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 22nd.

Other news:

We're very pleased with the response to our revived McKownville tree planting program. Later this fall McKownville will have sixteen additional trees that will provide shade and beauty to our neighborhood.

Except for four buses, Monday-Friday only, the Capital District Transportation Authority has eliminated No. 10 Western Avenue bus service in and out of Stuyvesant Plaza and Executive Park. Three of those buses stop at the Plaza outside of normal business hours. This is inconvenient and potentially dangerous because employees and shoppers who rely on public transportation must now cross Rt. 20 in order to access an eastbound bus at the Western Avenue and Fuller Road intersection. If you are concerned about this and would like to voice your opinion you may find contact information for CDTA here: <https://www.cdta.org/contact>

If you missed Chis Churchill's article in the Times Union on this topic, here is a link:

<https://www.timesunion.com/churchill/article/churchill-cdta-decision-bad-one-20808605.php>

Bus service to the rest of McKownville is unchanged.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will take place on Saturday, October 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Highway Department garage located at 6338 French's Mill Road. The event is open to Town residents only. No pre-registration is required, but you must provide proof of residency to participate. Full details may be found on the Town's website at: <https://townofguilderland.org/221/Highway>

Clean Up McKownville Park Day: On Saturday, September 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., we will pick up trash and cut back intrusive growth along the trail at McKownville Park adjacent to Stuyvesant Plaza. We would love some help. We'll provide trash bags but it will be helpful if you bring your own tools.

Proposed parking lot near the western end of Mercer Street: We haven't heard any new information as to whether NY-CREATES intends to follow up on previous plans to build a parking lot on land that abuts residential properties at the western end of Mercer Street. If we have any updates before our October 17 meeting we will send an email to our subscribers, notify the nearest property owners, and post information on our website.

MIA website: Our website is promptly updated with items for news, announcements, and meetings; you may access it at <https://mckownville.org>

Subscribing to our email list: If you don't yet subscribe to our email list but would like to receive occasional updates from us, please go to the webpage <https://mckownville.org/MIAsubunsub.html> (or use the link to this form on the Meetings page of the website) and submit your request.

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