



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PERSON

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UPDATED

HOCKESSIN CROSSING II REZONING TO BE VOTED ON BY NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Hockessin Crossing II rezoning, located on the East side of Valley Road, 425 feet north of Lancaster Pike, proposes to rezone the parcel from NC21 to CR to allow 15,500 square feet of retail and 1,397 square feet of mini warehouse.

This rezoning will be discussed at New Castle County Council's Land Use Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 3:00pm in Council's 8th Floor Conference Room, 800 N French St, Wilmington. The rezoning will then be voted on at the Regular Meeting of County Council on Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 7:00pm in 1st Floor Council Chambers, 800 N French St, Wilmington.

There is an opportunity for public comment at both meetings and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Please contact Councilwoman Kilpatrick at 395-8343 with any questions or concerns.

HOCKESSIN LIBRARY TO HOLD ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Hockessin Library will hold its annual used book sale at the Hockessin Memorial Fire Hall. Over 70,000 books will be available for sale at this yearly fundraising event.

The event schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, January 19th: 5:00pm-9:00pm
(Friends preview night; memberships of \$10 available at the door)
- Friday, January 20th: 9:00am-9:00pm
- Saturday, January 21st: 9:00am-5:00pm
- Sunday, January 22nd: 9:00am-3:00pm
(Bargain Day—fill a supplied grocery bag for \$6)

For more information concerning the book sale, please call (302) 584-1793 or (302) 239-5160.

MULTI-COMMUNITY CRIME WATCH INTEREST MEETING TO BE HELD

Janet Kilpatrick, New Castle County Councilperson 3rd District, and Liane Sorenson, Senator 6th District, along with Corporal Mike Snead, New Castle County Police Community Policing Unit, and Nathaniel Schwartz, Bridleshire Farms Maintenance Corporation and Block Watch Program, are partnering together to hold a Multi-Community Crime Watch interest meeting for residents that reside in the area between Route 7, Route 72, Corner Ketch Road and the Pennsylvania/Delaware State line. **The meeting will take place on February 1, 2012 at 7:00pm in the Hockessin Memorial Hall.**

With the recent increase in crimes in the Hockessin area, representatives from New Castle County and the State were approached about the potential to form an organization comprised of residents living in the area between Route 7, Route 72, Corner Ketch Road and the Pennsylvania/Delaware State line that would assist in patrolling neighborhoods within this area and alerting Police and area residents of illegal and suspicious activity. This particular area of the County was targeted as neighborhoods in this location do not generally fall within the confines of a civic umbrella group and as such, do not have the advantages that result from a multi-organization communication network.

An organization of this type and scope exists in the Newark area, known as CPAW (<http://cpawde.org/cpaw1.html>), and it will be used as a template. CPAW has become an extension of the New Castle County Police and is known for its credible and accurate reporting of illegal and suspicious activity. It has increased the effectiveness of Police response, as well as provided residents with an understanding of the importance of noticing and reporting suspicious activity in their neighborhoods.

This type of endeavor requires widespread participation and commitment of area residents. This information session will serve as a means to gauge interest in this concept and provide an opportunity for residents to ask questions and receive feedback. If enough interest is garnered, New Castle County Police will proceed with scheduling training sessions for participants.

All interested residents from the targeted area are strongly encouraged to attend and community contacts are asked to pass along this information to community members. Please alert anyone you know who resides in this area. Residents should RSVP attendance to Nellie Manlove at nmanlove@nccde.org or (302) 395-8363.

THIRD DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING NOTICES

Planning Board

Tuesday, February 7, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Multi-Purpose Room of the Gilliam Building
77 Reads Way

- The February 7, 2012 Planning Board meeting agenda is not yet posted. This agenda will appear in the February newsletter.

Board of Adjustment

Thursday, January 26, 2012
6:00 p.m.

New Castle County Government Center
87 Reads Way

- **7250 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin 19707**
Area variances to construct two church building additions and to reconfigure existing parking areas: 1. to provide 1 plant unit per 30 parking spaces (1 plant unit per 20 spaces); 2. to provide 0 bufferyard opacity along Old Lancaster Pike (0.4 minimum bufferyard opacity); 3. to provide 0 bufferyard opacity along the westerly property line (0.1 minimum bufferyard opacity); 4. to provide 260 parking spaces (308 parking spaces required); 5. to provide a 44 percent Landscape Surface Ratio (50 percent minimum LSR); 6. to disturb 95 percent of the Cockeysville Formation Water Resource Protection Area (50 percent maximum disturbance); and 7. to provide 1 street tree per 65 feet along Old Lancaster Pike and 1 street tree per 80 feet along Lancaster Pike/Route 41 (1 street tree per 40 feet). Hockessin United Methodist Church. NC6.5 HT Zoning. CD 3. (App. 2011-0222-A) TP 08-008.30-010 and 08-008.30-011