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#### SEPTEMBER PREVIEW

Welcome to September. Let the meetings begin. Harold Fowler Matin State Airport's Chief of Airport Operations and Maintenance will be our September guest speaker. In addition, Councilman David Marks will provide the most recent information on happenings regarding the development of Lafarge as well as the former C.P. Crane property now owned by Forsite.

SO WHAT HAPPENED OVER THE SUMMER HIATUS? Well your Board Members were still addressing issues pertinent to the well being and concerns of BQ residents! Here are some major highlights as of this writing:

On July 11, Jim Hock, Marsha Ayres, and Dave Hash had a virtual meeting with Harold Fowler and Bruce Rineer of the Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) to continue the discussion of noise from the "touch and go" operations of the flight schools at Martin State Airport. This was a follow-up to the in-person meeting between the parties on April 20, 2023, when the BQIA reps laid out the noise issues in detail and offered suggestions for the flight schools and the FAA air traffic controllers. At that meeting, Harold Fowler made it clear that addressing this problem was a high priority and our reps were very pleased to learn in July that action had already been taken to split up the flyovers between BQ and Wilson Point. We will hear more about this at our September meeting.

On July 20th, Members of the Board and others once again attended the Baltimore County Planning Board meeting to express their opposition to Forsite's new request for public water and sewer at the former CP Crane site.

July 10– Our Coffee for Vets took place at Perry Point. Volunteers Sue O'Hare, Deb Wilson, Diane Hall, Eileen Kuhl, and Deb Musgrave visited the veterans to drop off the coffee supplies and play games and give out prizes. About 20 veterans joined in the games, the backpack giveaways (thanks Carol Donovan) and the camaraderie! There was only one female veteran this time, and she thoroughly enjoyed the games! The next visit will be Thursday, October 19th. We will be collecting donations during our September and October meetings. Things the veterans asked for were razors (triple blade), shaving cream, body wash, and socks. The snacks always are a hit, and the veterans were so happy to get the backpacks…which they filled with their prizes and snacks.

July 17– We hosted The Middle River Concert Band's "Patriotic Salute to America" along with a "Century of Music". It was a wonderful event on our front lawn! Thank you Mosquito Authority for the "extra protection", Henry Olaya for the refreshments, and Mother Nature for her breeze. I'd like to throw in an extra "thank you" to Joanne Hock and so many others affiliated with Just BQuz for all they do to make BQIA events so special. Cant wait to see what this year brings!

### JUNE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Minutes and Treasurer's Report were read and approved.

**Steve Zelkowski** spoke about the Ravens' Roost at Skipjacks and the community projects in which they are involved. Support for the Special Olympics is their primary project and they are currently involved in making Military Care packages for enlisted service members. They also support BQVFD by helping

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raise money for the new station. Other projects include providing back to school supplies for Seneca ES, Thanksgiving and Christmas week meals for needy families, supporting Marshy Point Nature Center, and involvement in wreaths across America.

**Shannon Stallings** from BQVFD, spoke about some major changes. One is the push for an ambulance in BQVFD. As he stated, "The issue with that is it doesn't stay in the community it is housed". Instead, BQVFD is hoping to introduce a protocol called Fast EMS to give care while waiting for the ambulance to arrive. It is not a stretcher transport. This vehicle along with equipment has a \$130,000 price tag. The second, is the need for a new facility. They are hoping to build a 28,000 sq ft facility to house and consolidate two fire stations (BQVFD and Middle River VFD) on the 12 acres at the corner of Carroll Island and Bowleys Quarters Rds. There will be a four to five million dollar need from the community in the next several years to build this station. Questions were asked about the future location of the marine unit and the rescue trucks.

**Dave Conrad** revisited the list of minimum benchmarks for any future development of the Lafarge property that was tabled at the last meeting. After discussion, it was decided that these will be revised based on the input received and presented at the September meeting for a vote.

#### **Business Meeting**

Jim Hock quickly reviewed Old Business, highlighting plans for the new roof. He asked for a \$2000 change in funding to move from an asphalt to metal roof. The vote was taken and the change passed. Dave Hash reviewed the list of members running for election. The vote was taken and the slate of officers approved. After the election, Jim nominated Missy Anderson to the position of Secretary.

#### Here are your BQIA Officers and Board for July 2023 - July 2024

President- Jim Hock Vice President- Mary Muth Secretary- Missy Anderson Treasurer- Sue O'Hare Board Members 2023-2025- Dave Hash, Dave Conrad, Nick Hock, Greg Bosse, Jon Wiesman, and Frank Hepner. Board Members 2022-2024- Barb Sullivan, Marsha Ayres, Ray Schaferbien, Cecilia Myrick, Fred Hylla, Buz Marek, and Henry Olaya. One seat is still vacant. If interested, please contact Jim Hock.



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Broken glass cleanup or recycle/trash concerns: Call Baltimore Co. Solid Waste 410-887-2000.

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Essex Middle River Civic Council: 7PM the first Wednesday of every month, Victory Villa Community Hall Baltimore County 5th District Council Office Contact Information: Councilman David Marks' office phone # is 410-887-3384 his email is Council@baltimorecountymd.gov (preferred for correspondence)

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Baltimore County Zoning: http://myneighborhood.baltimorecountymd.gov/

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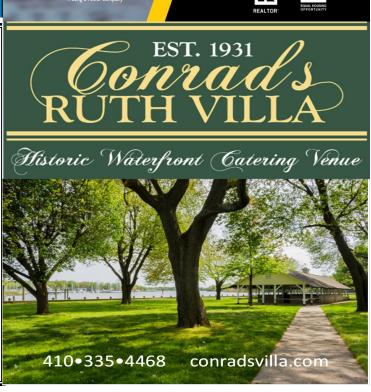
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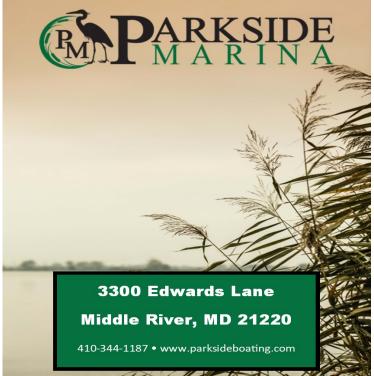
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