



**SNOWDENS MILL HOA
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SMHOA BOARD MEETING DATES

2019 Dates: 3rd Tuesday/Month – 7:30PM
 Jan 15 (Annual Meeting), Feb 19, Mar 19, Apr 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, Aug 20, Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 19, Dec 17.
 3rd District Police Station, Public Meeting Room
 1002 Milestone Drive, Silver Spring, MD
All homeowners welcome to attend meetings.

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

Zewdu Biru and Mimi Mengistu, Tourmaline Terrace

MARCH 19 MEETING RECAP

The Snowdens Mill Board of Directors met March 19. Discussion topics included AirBNB, neighborhood landscaping and tree replacement, association policy on charging stations for electric vehicles, and Burtonsville Crossing Shopping Center activity and recent progress, thanks to [Build a Better Burtonsville](#).

Montgomery County District 5 Councilmember [Tom Hucker](#) presented to the board. He discussed his Council responsibilities, and recent accomplishments, including:

- meeting with the WMATA Board to terminate the Silver Spring turnaround so all red line trains will now go directly to Glenmont;
- community events organized for government employees affected by the Federal Government shut down; and
- reduction in the number of "failures to respond" by Burtonsville fire and EMS.

Councilmember Hucker offered his assistance to Snowdens Mill homeowners by advocating for constituents on issues big and small, immediate, mid-term and long-term. You can download the Councilman’s full presentation by clicking [here](#).

IT’S THAT TIME - COVENANT INSPECTIONS

It’s time again for our biennial (every 2 years) covenant inspection. The Snowdens Mill HOA conducts inspections for various reasons. We must uphold our community’s Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions regarding routine home maintenance. Doing so protects the investment of all homeowners. Regular inspections also help to prevent potentially costly future maintenance repairs. Lastly, we want to maintain a pleasant and inviting neighborhood for all our residents, guests and visitors. Our covenant

inspection takes into consideration five (5) **BROAD** categories, which include paint condition, landscaping, driveway condition, roof condition and fence condition.

We expect the initial review process will occur sometime between May 8 and May 22. During a recent walkthrough of our neighborhood, almost 60% of our homes had discolored or algae covered siding. We anticipate this will be the most cited infraction. Please think about having your siding cleaned before the inspection. We will send out an e-mail of the exact inspections dates when we know them.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Before doing exterior work to your home, please visit www.snowdensmill.com to see if a property improvement request (PIR) is needed. You will also be able to download the form to submit for approval of alterations and /or improvements.

EARTH DAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

SMHOA will host an Earth Day Community Clean-up of our subdivision **Saturday, April 27**. Volunteers should meet **9:30AM at the Memorial Garden located at Aventurine and Serpentine Way**. The HOA will provide gloves, bags, and doughnuts; homeowner Joe Schechter will be on-site to coordinate. Come out and help keep Snowdens Mill the beautiful community that it is! **Rain date is Sunday, April 28**. Same time and location.

LET'S COMMUNICATE

Snowdens Mill is now on **Facebook**. You can get the latest news, meet your neighbors online, and contact the board on Facebook. Search for "Snowdens Mill Homeowners Association" or click [here](#).

Join your neighbors on **Nextdoor**, a free private social network for neighborhood communities. If you haven't signed up on Nextdoor yet, we invite you to do so. 29% of Tamarack Triangle Plus-area residents are signed up. Are you? Click [here](#) to sign up.

The **Communications Committee** is always **looking for newsletter and web content** to make our website more useful and interactive. Send ideas to melissa.wells@communityassn.com.

Reminder: The **SMHOA newsletter has gone digital** and will no longer be sent to members via post mail. **Share your e-mail address** with melissa.wells@communityassn.com to remain in the know. Your e-mail will never be given out, or published on our website.

SMHOA WEBSITE

Snowdens Mill HOA community website (www.snowdensmill.com) allows you to quickly access and download SMHOA forms and documents, including: Complaint forms, HOA Covenants and Bylaws, PIR forms, and HOA-adopted policies.

TIPS FOR REVIVING YOUR LAWN AFTER WINTER

Waking up your lawn can be challenging. Early spring is one of the best times of the year. Here are a few tips for reviving your lawn after the beating it likely took this winter: feed it well, water in the morning, ease into mowing, start fighting weeds, and seed thin spots.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live and work. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Plans are underway - Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, August 6th**. We hope you will join the Snowdens Mill community to show support for our police and meet your neighbors! Stay tuned ...

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

For medical and other emergencies, call 911. Following are other useful numbers:

County Info/services	240-777-0311
PEPCO (Outages)	877-737-2662
Miss Utility	800-257-7777
Missed Trash/Recycling	240-777-0311
Animal Control	240-773-5960
Poison Control	800-222-1222
Police Non-Emergency	301-279-8000
Street Light Outage	240-777-0311
Street Tree Damage	240-777-7623