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## ELECTIONS - AND RE-ELECTIONS

As a predictable result of the June elections, Councilman Joseph Spriggs will assume the office of Mayor and the incumbent Councilmen, Dick Dingman, Paul Lyons and Charles Robinson return to serve another term. All will take office on September 1.

Under the terms of a Town Charter revision, terms of office, this year and next year, will be only for 1 year and 10 months instead of 2 years. Effective in 1972, all terms will again be 2 year terms. This transition is necessary in order to comply with provisions that will allow those elected to Council to take office on July 1 instead of September 1.

When Joe Spriggs takes office as Mayor, he will have to resign as Councilman. This will create a vacancy on the Council for the remainder of his term on Council. The Town Council will make the appointment to fill the vacancy.

# COUNCIL MEETING

There will be only one regular Council meeting during the month of July. It will be held on July 13, at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall.

Fellow Citizens of Vienna.

In a way, July is like a second New Year, since it is the beginning of a new fiscal year and a new budget for Vienna.

While Real Estate taxes will remain the same, additional revenues were needed to meet this year's budget. A 5¢ per pack tax on cigarettes and a 5% rise in utility taxes, passed by Council, will bring us the necessary revenue to continue providing our citizens with the present high level of services. The amount of the new taxes should not impose a great burden on any individual family.

On July 4, we celebrate the signing of the Declaration of Independence. and the birth of our country. Our right to free expression does not mean that we cannot be united in love of country and dedicated to its ideals of liberty, justice and freedom.

We wish all of you a good summer, a happy vacation, and a grand and glorious Fourth.

Sincerely yours,

James C. Martinelli

Mayor





NEWSLETTER

Mayor

JAMES C. MARTINELLI

Councilmen

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Charles A. Robinson

Joseph R. Spriggs

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Paul M. Lyons

#### NEW BUDGET - NEW TAXES

Vienna's 1970-71 budget was aired at a public hearing on June 15. The new budget is approximately 170,000 higher than last year reflecting the inflation that is being experienced by every aspect of our economy.

Sewer payments to the District of Columbia have been significantly increased. Other increases include a cost of living increase in salaries. extensions in the water system and an operating account for the new swimming pool.

Because of the reduction in new construction in the community, anticipated revenues did not materialize. Therefore this year, for the first time in many years additional revenues are essential for the adoption of the budget. Without these revenues, some crippling reductions in services would be necessary.

Council therefore passed a 5¢ per pack tax on cigarettes to be effective July 1. A 5% hike in utility taxes was also passed on a maximum \$25 for home and \$300 for commercial gas and electric bills. A maximum of \$15 was placed on telephones. The tax will now be 10% on these amounts.



## FOURTH OF JULY

The Fourth of July is a very special holiday in Vienna, as the Town joins with citizens in celebrating our National Independence Town of Vienna

Each year Vienna invites up to 100 foreign guests and its residents serve as hosts to show these visitors how we celebrate this particularly American day. Guests are obtained through International Center in Washington. They arrive at Town Hall at 1 p.m. on the Fourth, and are provided with punch and cookies by tne Vienna Woman's Club while they enjoy a "get acquainted" period with their hosts and Town officials. They then receive an official greeting from the Mayor and depart with their hosts who will entertain them for the afternoon.

Evening festivities are sponsored by the Town Manager Recreation Department at James Madison High School. C. Clay Harrell The program this year will begin at 7 p.m. with the posting of the colors by the American Legion Post 180. Selections by the Vienna-Falls Sweet Adelines will be followed by a Karate demonstration. The entertainment will be topped off by Bolivian Folklore Music performed by Los Incas de Bolivia, a group of Vienna residents who are decendants of the ancient Incas. A fireworks display will conclude the evening.

Those who have taken foreign guests will return them to the Town Hall after the fireworks, and the busses will leave for the return trip to Washington at 10:30 p.m.



#### PROGRESS REPORT



### INDUSTRIAL PARK

Groundbreaking ceremonies for Page Communications Engineers, Inc. were neld on June 11. Members of the Vienna Town government, the Vienna Chamber of Commerce and Page officials joined in the groundbreaking.

Vega Precision Engineers held their groundbreaking earlier in the month, and construction on both buildings will be going on simultaneously.

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Also scheduled this summer is the extension of Follin Lane to Maple Avenue. Follin Lane will be the primary access road to the Industrial Park.

#### LIBRARY



On June 12, groundbreaking ceremonies were held at the site of the new County library at Maple Avenue and Center St.

Supervisor Martha Pennino, wearing an orange construction helmet operated the backhoe which removed the first shovel of earth. Members of the Town government, the Library Board and Friends of the Library were present at the ceremony.

The Little Library was moved on June 17 to its new site on the Freeman Property, to become a part of Vienna's Historical Preservation project.

Both the Freeman House and the Little Library are scheduled to receive coats of paint this summer to preserve them until restoration can begin.

# MORE ON TRASH

After last month's article on what the regular trash crews will and will not pick up, we received a phone call from a resident who suggested that we let people know what they could do with items that cannot be included in the trash collection.

If you have a large item of play equipment, furniture etc., which you cannot keep for the Spring and Fall Clean-Up weeks, you may:

.... Haul it yourself to the County dump in Fairfax on Rt. 50. Directions: Take 123 toward Fairfax, right on 66. Exit from 66 on 50W. Take your first left off 50 on West Ox Road. The dump is 11/2 miles on the right on West Ox Road.

.... A free trash pick-up is offered by the County on Saturday morning, if you take your items to the Oakton School on 123.

Call the Salvation Army or Volunteers of America, who may be happy to take what you are getting rid of

break it up into manageable pieces and put it in the regular trash.



# BICYCLE RIDERS

Bicycle riders are reminded that they are subject to the same traffic regulations that apply to automobiles. Traffic signals, hand signals, etc. must be observed by cyclists. Bicycles must also follow the rules which refer to fire equipment. They must stop and pull over to the side of the road when they hear the siren. Bicycles have been seen in Town, crossing in front of moving fire equipment. This is both dangerous and illegal.