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## Save The Date



For Wellness  
Activities

## Wellness Committee Kickoff On Sunday, June 2 At The Pool!

Attention walkers, lap swimmers and all others who are interested in pursuing wellness activities in the Somerset community. Please come to a get-together at the Pool on Sunday, June 2 at 4:00 p.m. to establish walking groups, discuss walking routes, review the use of pedometers and special apps for exercise, and other share ideas on how we can make Somerset a community on the forefront of physical fitness activities.

Please contact **Diane Horn** at [diane.b.horn@gmail.com](mailto:diane.b.horn@gmail.com) or at 301-654-0310 with any questions.

## Pool Season Starting! By Alexis Carmer, Pool Committee



Pool season is here! The Somerset Pool opened **Saturday, May 18th**. Please review the rules for the pool, guests and parties. Our pool is a wonderful asset for Town residents. Please do your part to keep it that way by following the regulations.

For full information, see <http://townofsomerset.com/administrativeservices/pool>, but here are a few items that warrant special attention:

### 1. Opening/closing dates and pool hours

Pool season for 2013 will be May 18 through September 30.

#### Hours:

- School days: 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Weekdays when school is not in session: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Sundays: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Memorial Day: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Fourth of July: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Labor Day: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Closing Day: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### 2. Swim meet dates and pool closure times

The pool will be closed the following time/dates for swim team meets:

- Saturday, June 8, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 12, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 15, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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## Calendar

### Sunday, June 2

Wellness Committee Kickoff

### Monday, June 3

Council Meeting

### Saturday, June 15

Kickoff Pool Party

### Monday, June 17

MVA Mobile Office

Don't forget to check the Town website throughout the month for an up-to-date calendar. Go to [www.townofsomerset.com](http://www.townofsomerset.com) and click on **Town Calendar**.



## On My Mind

By Mayor Jeffrey Slavin

### Our People Really Care

The other day, I was talking to a Somerset Elementary School parent who was born outside of the United States.

She told me something that took me by surprise: our Town is literally known “around the world.” While this idea is part truth, part hyperbole, and part urban legend, I think most of it has to do with the high test scores in our public schools. But the comment made me pause to once again consider how we are viewed on the outside.

Yes, we are a Town that is a Tree City with a great public school, beautiful million-dollar homes, lovely parkland, a magnificent swimming pool, tennis courts, and highly educated well-to-do people. We are fortunate that few of our residents are truly needy and no one is poor.

When I attend events and programs throughout the metro area and speak with folks, I always try to be mindful of our fortunate position and, as appropriate, let people know that it doesn’t mean we are out of touch with reality.

I think the real evidence of that is the large number of our residents who give back, and give back daily. I have seen that, in so many households, someone is involved with at least one of our area’s large networks of nonprofits helping those in need. The generosity of Somerseters in donating time, talent and treasure is evident in what I read on our listserv, the emails I get, and the many flyers in my mail. We are helping people literally all over the world. We take pride in volunteering to make our tight-knit community an even better place to live.

It continues to be one of my main missions in my dealings with the “outside” world, whether that be Kensington or Kathmandu, to have Somerset better known for its philanthropy than its architecture or wealth. Thankfully, because of so many active residents who care about others, this mission is being accomplished.

## Photos Needed For New Somerset Website

A new website for Somerset is under development and it will include pictures of the community. If you have any pictures of Somerset Town life that you can share, please forward them to the Town Hall at [townofsomerset.com](mailto:townofsomerset.com) and to Council Member **Cathy Pickar** at [cpickar@gmail.com](mailto:cpickar@gmail.com). Digital and or print photos are welcome.

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Deadline for copy and ads is the 15th of the month at 4:30 p.m.

# Assessing Traffic-Calming And Pedestrian Safety In Somerset

By Catherine Pickar, Council Member



The Town Manager, at the request of the Council, recently issued a Request for Proposals to examine traffic issues in the Town. Back in 2009, we received a report from a traffic engineer and, as a result of this report, implemented a

variety of pedestrian safety and traffic-calming measures. The Town Council had promised to review the effectiveness of these measures after one year. However, due to the subsequent recession's impact on the Town budget, the review had to be postponed until now.

The new Request for Proposals calls for: 1) an assessment of the pedestrian safety and traffic calming measures implemented in 2009; 2) comments and solutions, where appropriate, to pedestrian safety and traffic issues brought to the Council's attention since 2009; and 3) a review of the existing signage in the Town and suggestions for improvements.

The following is a list of concerns and suggestions brought to the Town's attention by residents since the 2009 implementation of pedestrian and traffic safety devices:

- Inappropriate speed of traffic on lower Falstone near Little Falls Parkway, and on Surrey Street between Greystone and Falstone, particularly at the curve near Falstone where two serious accidents have occurred.
- Stop sign observance at Dorset and Deal and at Surrey and Grantham.
- Installation of a safe passage crossing at Warwick and Essex where a conventional crosswalk may be difficult to implement.
- Pedestrian safety on lower Trent where no sidewalk exists and currently two stop signs are installed along the curve with conflicting additional signage.
- Pedestrian safety due to poor visibility on lower Essex on the Little Falls Parkway side of Essex where no sidewalk exists.
- Improvement of corner sight distance on Surrey at Falstone involving existing on-street parking and bushes.
- Cut-through rush hour traffic that travels from Drummond through the Drummond alley and down Cumberland exiting onto Dorset at Devon Lane in the mornings.
- Visibility of all stop signs.

Public participation is an important part of this process. The consultants chosen by the Town to conduct the study will hold at least one public meeting, advertised in advance, devoted entirely to the subject of traffic and pedestrian safety in Somerset. In addition, they will be present at one

Council meeting. In their final report, the consultants will offer recommendations that are in keeping with a healthy community, keeping in mind the Safe Passage to School guidelines. We expect the consultants to address issues raised by our residents and offer their best engineering judgment when offering solutions. Please attend the June 3 Council Meeting to express any pedestrian safety and traffic concerns, or send them in writing to our Town Manager, **Rich Charnovich**, at [manager@townofsomerset.com](mailto:manager@townofsomerset.com). Rich will pass on all concerns to assure that they will be properly reviewed.

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## Pool Season Starting! *from page 1*

Wednesday, July 3, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 7, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 10, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 13, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 20, 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Banquet)

Come out and support the Somerset Dolphins!

More information on the swim team can be found at

<http://somersetswimteam.org>.

### 3. New Pool Party Rules

The rules have changed this year. If you are planning to host a party at the pool, please review these rules on the Town website.

### 4. Lap swimming

Full regulations can be read at the Town website. In general, please be courteous! Lap lanes are for lap swimming. If all lanes are occupied, swimmers should share their lane. If there are two swimmers in a lane, they can decide whether to split the lane or swim in a clockwise fashion. With three or more swimmers per lane, all should swim clockwise. During a busy time with three or more swimmers in each lane, please try to swim with those of a similar speed, and keep your swim time to 30 minutes when others are waiting.

### 5. Guests

Guests must be accompanied by a Town resident at check-in and while they are at the pool. Exceptions to this rule include guests who are close relatives (children, grandchildren, parents, siblings and in-laws) who do not reside in Somerset, houseguests of a member, and house sitters for a member. These individuals may use the pool without the member being present to sign them into the pool. They must sign in under the member's account and their guest fees will be charged to that account. It has been brought to our attention that some residents are allowing non-resident families to use their pool tags for free entry into the pool. This is not allowed. Pool employees may check photo IDs if this is suspected.

See you at the pool!



## Town Website

At the April 2013 Council Meeting, the Council decided to enter into a contract with CivicPlus to begin a complete overhaul of the Town's website. CivicPlus is a nationally known company that specializes in municipal government website development, and is endorsed by the Maryland Municipal League and the Maryland Association of Counties. The Town's Ad Hoc Communications Committee researched multiple firms and will assist in the changeover to the new site, which will likely take about 4-6 months to complete. A kickoff meeting to begin the process was held in mid-May



## Volunteers Needed For Fourth Of July Celebration

Town staff are looking for volunteers to help with the planning and preparations for the **annual Fourth of July celebration** that is held at the Town Hall. Students can gain community service hours for volunteering at the event. This annual Somerset event is a fun filled day for all ages! Please contact the Town Hall if you are interested in helping out.

## Swimming Pool Information



The pool will be open on **Saturday, May 18, 2013** and remain open through **Sunday,**

**September 15, 2013. The pool schedule is:**

**Montgomery County School Days – 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Non School Weekdays – 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Saturdays – 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

**Sundays – 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Please look out for scheduled Swim Team events at the Pool. Also, please check with **Nicole Ventura** at the Town Hall, either via email or phone, to make sure that your pool guest fee account is up to date. Guest fees are required to be pre-paid. If you have misplaced your pool tag, the cost of a replacement is \$5. Pool tags are not transferrable to anyone in your household or non-residents of Somerset. Also, Pool party rules have changed for the 2013 season. Contact the Town Hall to obtain a copy of the new rules or view them on the Town's website. Finally, save the date for the **Town's Summer Kickoff Pool Party on June 15 starting at noon!**



## Tennis Pass Reminders

If you have not yet purchased your tennis pass for the 2013 season, it is \$20 per household. The Town Tennis Committee and Council have amended the Tennis Rules, and they are posted on the board near the courts.

## Odd Jobs List Updates

We are in the process of updating the "Odd Jobs List" that the Town Hall maintains. Please take a look at the list and advise us of any changes that we should make to the list.

## Pet Reminders

Summertime is here and that means pets may spend more time outdoors. Here are some Golden Rules for Montgomery County pet owners to follow (excerpt taken from a 2011 article in the Chevy Chase Patch):

- Scoop the poop.
- Get your animals licensed.
- Insure that all pets are vaccinated.
- When off of your property, your pet must be properly restrained.
- Remember if you must tether your dog outside, do so in a safe and humane manner.



## WSSC Project

At the April 2013 Council Meeting, an agreement with Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission was finalized, following three public meetings, for work to take place on the roadways within the Town of Somerset starting in the next month or so. Please note that WSSC will be coming back to the Town to apply for work in the Environmentally Sensitive Areas in coming months. Please contact me if you have any questions.

### Work Details:

Surrey Street – 126'

Trent Court – 177'

Essex Avenue – 286'

Deal Place – 105' (Pipe Bursting, WSSC will explain what this is)

Cumberland Avenue – Trenchless repair of lateral

Warwick Place – Manhole Repair

Dorset Avenue – Manhole Repair

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# Council Meeting Actions

*The Town Council met in regular session on May 6, 2013. The Council took the following actions:*

1. Approval of the Council liaison assignments for 2013.
2. Approval of the 2013 Swim Team Events at the Town Pool.
3. Approval of Abby Nolan to sit on the Town Tennis Committee.
4. Approval of Alan Dock to sit on the Town Parks and Natural Resources Committee.
5. Approval of the FY14 budget, with the no increase in the real property tax and personal property tax rates.
6. Approval of the site plan modification for 4727 Essex Avenue to include the following changes:
  - Previously permitted 10' high shed to be relocated 5' from the property line.
  - Previously permitted gravel driveway to rear of house to be relocated and is now proposed to be a concrete basketball pad.
  - Existing front path to be made wider and new walkways added.
  - New AC units shown relocated as requested at the April 17, 2012 meeting.
  - Construct a 5 foot wooden fence along the property line.
  - Construct a 5 foot double gate at the west rear of the house to an existing rear west side property line fence.
7. Approval of a .56-foot waiver variance request from the right side setback for construction to take place at 4806 Falstone Avenue.
8. Approval of building, deck, dumpster and HVAC unit permits for 4806 Falstone Avenue.
9. Approval of building and dumpster permits for 4713 Essex Avenue for renovations to the house rooftop.
10. Approval of building and dumpster permits for 5517 Trent Street for work to be done to enclose an existing covered porch.
11. Approval of a generator permit at 4815 Essex Avenue contingent upon the generator passing the required noise levels.
12. Approval of a 3-month building permit extension for the project taking place at 5529 Uppingham Street.
13. Approval of a tree removal request for 5415 Trent Street to remove 15 Leyland Cypress trees on the property.
14. Approval of the removal of Town tree number 707 at 5513 Uppingham Street.
15. Approval of the removal of Town tree number 7 at 4505 Cumberland Avenue.
16. Approval of a revised letter of conditions for the 4701 Willard Avenue Project as reviewed by the Town Attorney's office.
17. Approval of a contract with NB Health and Fitness, L.L.C. for water aerobics classes at the Town Pool for the 2013 season.

At the beginning of the meeting, a moment of silence was held for those who lost their lives as a result of the horrific tragedy at the Boston Marathon on April 15.

In addition to the actions taken by the Council, Mayor Slavin provided his Mayor's Report. Town Manager Charnovich presented the March Financial Report.

Town Inspector Larry Plummer provided construction update reports for projects at 5529 Uppingham, 5510 Trent and 5513 Uppingham Street.

Approval of the Swim Team Handbook was tabled until the June Council Meeting so the Swim Team leadership could review the Town Attorney's comments.



By Mayor Jeffrey Slavin

Council Vice President **Marnie Shaul** (Uppingham), Council Member **Barbara Zeughauser** (Trent), and I visited with the 4th graders at Somerset Elementary School earlier this month to announce the winner of the Maryland Municipal League essay contest for our jurisdiction. The winner is Chase McCulloh of Chevy Chase West. Congratulations to Chase for his outstanding work and the wonderful ideas he came up with. We will have him attend an upcoming Council meeting to read his essay in public. In addition, we were pleased that Somerset Elementary School fourth grader Asha Dees, who lives in the Village of Friendship Heights, was one of four runners-up in our district in the statewide judging. This is quite impressive given that almost 600 essays were submitted! Asha, like Chase, has received a gift certificate from the Town and will be provided a police ride-along in the near future. I want to thank Barbara and her co-judges **Lucy Freeman** (Dorset) and **Vicki Frink** (Cumberland) for making the contest so successful again this year. Lucy and Vicki joined us at the announcement.

This past winter, I personally sponsored a contest on behalf of Maryland Leadership Workshops ([www.mlw.org](http://www.mlw.org)) to select a Somerset participant for the MLW senior high program this summer. I am pleased to let everyone know that the inaugural winner is **Jay Ajadeja** (Dorset), an outstanding young man in our Town and the son of **Malini** and **Giri**. Jay will be attending the program at Washington College for a week in late July. It is my hope that in coming years many other students in Somerset will get interested in developing their leadership skills in the same way that Jay will be able to. So many of our children are going to be the leaders of tomorrow in our State. I will ask Jay to write a report on his experience for the Town Journal in the fall.

As I walk around Town, I am appalled at the number of cigarette butts littering our streets. Many of them, unfortunately, are discovered close to the increasing number of construction projects in Somerset. While we all know the health issues associated with smoking, and that even second hand smoke outdoors is damaging to everyone's health, seeing all those butts lying around is disturbing. I have started a campaign to get everyone to help by picking up these butts whenever they see them and to encourage smokers they know to be responsible in this way, too. Our beautiful streetscape is one of our most precious assets and all residents must do their part in maintaining it.

It's that time of year as many households have school graduates at all levels, from elementary to professional, and even beyond. Because there is so much interest, I want to encourage both the students and their parents to let us know so that we can make mention of these accomplishments. Please email **Alan Dock** (Falstone) who so beautifully writes the "All About People" column each month. His email is [alandock@hotmail.com](mailto:alandock@hotmail.com).

REMEMBER OUR SOLDIERS AND VETERANS ON MEMORIAL DAY AND SAFE TRAVELS TO THOSE LEAVING TOWN.

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## 4701 Willard Avenue Project

A project has begun at the 4701 Willard Avenue apartment building (formerly the Irene). The owners of the building obtained approval from Somerset to use a small portion of Town land at the rear of the building as a staging area. The Town Government, through multiple public meetings with the applicant, worked out a set of conditions that includes restoring the land back to its original condition, providing tree and stream protection, and the planting of some tree screening upon completion of the project. Please let me know if you have any questions.



## Safety Reminders For Spring And Summer

By Birdie Pieczenik, Recent Chairperson, Security Committee

I want to share a few important security and safety reminders for this time of year:

- Licensed and unlicensed solicitors, scam artists, and would-be burglars will be coming around trying to engage you in conversation while they assess the “landscape.” Watch out. Report suspicious people in the neighborhood to the Town Hall and the Montgomery County Police. It’s better to over-report out of an abundance of caution than to under-report and feel sorry should anything untoward take place.
- Buds and blossoms are appearing on bushes and trees. Enjoy them. But leaves are now covering lamp posts, creating shadows and darkness on the sidewalks and streets. Please be careful when walking and be aware of your surroundings at all times. I prefer to walk in the roadway late at night; it’s brighter. However, this is not a suggestion for children.
- It’s lawn mowing, barbecuing and bicycling time. In short, it’s the time we take expensive items out of the house and garage and leave them on the lawn and in the backyard. For their protection, see if you can disguise them in some way, or put them away when not in use.
- The days are long, the weather is good, and the Town is filled with the sound of kids playing in the street. Just remind your kids to be careful and watch for all the adults who are distracted as they drive along talking on the phone or pulling out of parking spaces and driveways without looking around for cyclists and pedestrians.

Spring will soon turn into summer. Please remember the above suggestions as well as those relating to landscaping that were included in the April 2013 Journal. Together they will take you into the fall with security.

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## Town Council Liaison Assignments To Somerset Committees And Other Town Representation

Each of the Town’s Council Members has liaison assignments to operating groups within and outside of the Town. **Here are the assignments for 2012-2013:**

Audit Committee: Marnie Shaul, Cathy Pickar Alternate

Batting Cage Committee: Franny Peale

Environmental Committee: Marnie Shaul, Barbara Zeughauser, Alternate

Parks and Natural Resources Committee: Barbara Zeughauser, Cathy Pickar, Alternate

Pool Committee: Barbara Condos, Franny Peale, Alternate

Swim Team Committee: Franny Peale, Barbara Condos, Alternate

Tennis Committee: Cathy Pickar, Barbara Condos, Alternate

### **Other Council Liaison Responsibilities:**

Ad Hoc Communications Committee: Cathy Pickar, Franny Peale

Ad Hoc Personnel Committee: Marnie Shaul, Barbara Zeughauser

Ad Hoc Town Hall Committee: Franny Peale, Barbara Zeughauser

Bank Statement Reviewer: Barbara Zeughauser

Bethesda Fire Board: Barbara Zeughauser

Check Signing: Marnie Shaul, Cathy Pickar

Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights (CCCFH): Marnie Shaul, Barbara Zeughauser, Alternate

Transportation Management District (TMD): Barbara Condos

# Toward A Pesticide Reduction/Elimination Plan For Somerset

By Donna Harman, Member, Parks and Natural Resources Committee and Environment Committee



We are all aware of the dangers of pesticides in our food supply, which accounts for the continued trend toward organic products. But overuse of pesticides on our lawns is also a danger to our health, in particular the health of our kids who play on lawns and our pets who “visit” many lawns. Additionally, application of the wrong fertilizers or chemicals or poor timing of these applications endangers our streams and the Chesapeake Bay. Because of these issues, the Town Council passed a resolution in March aimed at reducing or eliminating pesticide use on Town property and charged the Parks and Natural Resources Committee and the Environment Committee to develop a proposed plan by June 30th.

In late April, the committees consulted several organizations asking for suggestions on how the Town could work toward using only environmentally-friendly fertilizers while minimizing pesticide use on Town lawns and gardens. This led to a plan that includes a survey of these areas, noting soil conditions, shady areas, and current practices, with the goal of preparing a report for the Town recommending where grass could be replaced by easily-maintained planting beds and what soil amendments would be appropriate for various areas. The committees have found a knowledgeable contractor who has sent a proposal to conduct this survey for \$1,500. The proposal will be discussed at the Town Council meeting in June.

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## Permits Granted



### Tree Removal Permits (Reviewed by Town Arborist)

5517 Trent Street, False Cypress, tree considered hazardous.

5812 Surrey Street, 1 Leland Cypress that cannot continue to grow safely and 1 Silver Maple that is deemed hazardous.

4810 Essex Avenue, 1 Dogwood in poor condition and 1 Black Cherry that is deemed hazardous.

4816 Dorset Avenue, 1 Dogwood. Tree needed to be removed to repair a sewer service line to the house and minimize damage to an oak tree.



# Preliminary Agenda

## Regular Somerset Town Council Meeting

Somerset Town Hall, June 3, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

The Somerset Town Council will meet in regular session on Monday, June 3, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Somerset Town Hall. Agenda updates are posted on the Town website: [www.townofsomerset.com](http://www.townofsomerset.com).

**Council Work Session – 7:00 p.m.**

**Council Meeting Convenes – 7:30 p.m.**

**Comments: Public Comment Period – 7:30 p.m.\***



**Council Members:** Barbara Zeughauser, Cathy Pickar, Marnie Shaul, Franny Peale, Barbara Condos

### CONSENT

1. **Motion:** To consider approval of the April 1, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
2. **Motion:** To consider approval of the April 1, 2013 Closed Meeting Minutes.
3. **Motion:** To consider approval of the April 3, 2013 Swearing In Minutes.
4. **Motion:** To consider approval of the May 6, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

### NON-CONSENT

1. **Discussion:** Town Manager's June Financial Report – 7:55 p.m.
2. **Discussion:** Status update on two construction projects at 5529 Uppingham and 5513 Uppingham Street – 8:00 p.m.
3. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider proposals received to review the town's 2009 traffic-calming measures and address subsequent traffic calming and pedestrian safety concerns as well as assess the current signage in town and suggest improvements – 8:05 p.m.
4. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a proposal received from Richard Bajana in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the purpose of providing consulting services to develop a plan for Town parkland regarding sustainable fertilization and minimal pesticide use as recommended by the PNR and Environmental Committees – 8:15 p.m.
5. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider adoption of the Swim Team Rules for calendar year 2013 as presented by the Swim Team Committee and reviewed by the Town Attorney – 8:30 p.m.
6. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider a proposal submitted by the Local Government Investment Trust (LGIT) for property and liability insurance services for FY14 – 8:40 p.m.
7. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider proposal(s) received for the Town's Worker's Compensation insurance services for FY14 – 8:50 p.m.
8. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a 1-year proposal from Lindsey and Associates for audit year FY13 as recommended by the Town Manager – 9:00 p.m.
9. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider bids received to replace the fence located at the rear of the Town Hall garage as recommended by the Town Maintenance Supervisor – 9:10 p.m.

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10. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of the Mayor's nomination of Richard Charnovich as the Clerk-Treasurer for FY14 as per the Town Charter – 9:20 p.m.
11. **Discussion:** Mayor's Report – 9:25 p.m.
12. **Adjourn** – 9:30 p.m.

Key

**Public Hearing Item:** Agenda item where public comment is permitted.

**Discussion Item:** Agenda item limited to discussion among the Council, Mayor and Town Staff.

**Motion Item:** Agenda item requesting action, limited to Council discussion.

**Comments:** Opinions and Questions from Town residents.

**Please note the Public Comment Period at 7:30 p.m. may run less than 20 minutes. Residents who wish to be present for a particular Agenda item are advised to arrive 20 minutes ahead of the item's scheduled discussion time since discussions sometimes run ahead of schedule.**

**Items marked \*** have related articles inside this issue of the Town Journal.

*This is a preliminary Agenda prepared to meet the Journal press deadline, which typically is two to three weeks prior to the next Town Council meeting. During this period, there will likely be changes to the timing of items, and some items may be added or deleted. Please contact Rich Charnovich at Town Hall if you are interested in what has been added, or consult the bulletin board on the Town Hall porch or the Town website/email blasts for the most up-to-date Agenda.*