

REPORT FROM WOODBRIDGE

By Mayor John E. McCormac

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTNER WITH ZUCKERBERG INSTITUTE TO SUPPORT BUY LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES



I am pleased to report that Woodbridge Township and the Zuckerberg Institute have established a partnership and collaboration to create an amazing opportunity for our Buy Local businesses and students from our three high schools – Colonia High School, John F. Kennedy Memorial High School and Woodbridge High School. This team comes together to create the “Woodbridge Township Post Pandemic Task Force” which is led by Chief-of-Staff Caroline Ehrlich and Michael Littig, Co-Founder of the Zuckerberg Institute.

School administration, principals and teachers selected 15 students to participate in the Zuckerberg initiative. Through this project, the Post Pandemic Task Force will engage Buy Local small businesses in Woodbridge that were affected or impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. They will look to address real world issues and implement sustainable practices through entrepreneurship and digital media platforms. The Zuckerberg Institute will serve as a mentor to the students and emphasize building skills in communications, leadership, problem solving and teamwork.

Phase One includes Gem Limousine and Strawberry's Pub and Pizza as the two selected Buy Local businesses to begin the project. These companies are two staples of the Woodbridge Buy Local business community and progress is already showing through their social media pages. Phase Two will allow the students to select three more Buy Local businesses eligible for the Zuckerberg program.

The Zuckerberg Institute's mission is to empower business leaders, entrepreneurs and students across all industries with the skills they need to become world-class innovators. Through exclusive leadership retreats, networking opportunities and coaching, the Zuckerberg Institute is building a pipeline of promising innovators poised to change the world.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for everyone involved and will help our community become even more resilient and sustainable as the Zuckerberg Institute is helping to shape the future leaders of our community one student at a time. Student Leaders are:

Colonia High School: Jasleen Dhaliwal, Madison Ferreira and Brandon Ribeiro

John F. Kennedy Memorial High School: Himat Shah, Dhruv Patel, Krish B Patel and Anuj Patel

Woodbridge High School: Shakeel Guerrier, Angela Montauban, Meaghan Motz, Michael Nycz, Nathaniel Elson, Isabel Reyes and Taylor Deliman.

MAINTENANCE OF STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT AND EXTERIOR PROPERTY

By John M. Mitch, Municipal Clerk



Woodbridge Township has adopted the provisions of the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) which sets minimum standards for the maintenance of structures, equipment and exterior property.

Under the requirements of the IPMC, the owner of a Township premise(s) shall maintain the structure(s) and exterior property in compliance. Examples of items covered are as follows: (1) Exterior property and premise(s) shall be maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition; (2) Premises shall be graded and maintained to prevent the erosion of soil and to prevent the accumulation of stagnant water thereon, or within and structure located thereon; (3) Sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas shall be kept in proper state of repair and maintained free from hazardous conditions; (4) Premises and exterior property shall be maintained free of excessive weeds or plant growth. Noxious weeds shall be defined as all grasses and annual plants and vegetation; (5) Structures and exterior property shall be kept free from rodent harborage and infestation; (6) Pipes, ducts, conductors, fans or blowers shall not discharge gases, steam, vapor, hot air, grease, smoke, odors or other gaseous or particulate waste(s) directly on abutting or adjacent public or private property or that of another tenant; (7) Inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicles shall not be parked, kept or stored on any premises and vehicles shall not at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Painting of vehicle(s) is prohibited unless conducted inside an approved spray booth. Exception: A vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including body work, provided that such work is performed inside a structure or similarly enclosed area approved for such purposes.

In addition to the IPMC, resident(s) shall know that under the Land Use and Development Ordinance(s), parking is permitted in residential front yards provided the vehicle is on a driveway. Parking is prohibited anywhere else on the property unless approval has been granted by the Zoning Board or Planning Board.

Colonia Cleanup

Spring 2021

Saturday, April 10 @ 9:00 AM
Charlie Shaughnessy Park

Celebrating our 32nd year of helping to spruce up our parks and public spaces.

We meet at **9:00 AM** BEHIND the Shell Gas station at the corner of Inman and Amherst Avenues.

Please bring the following:

- Work gloves
- Yard tools

Be ready to do the following:

- Mulch
- Weed
- Planting
- Pick up litter
- Potential Painting

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Rain Date:
Sunday, April 11, 2021



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