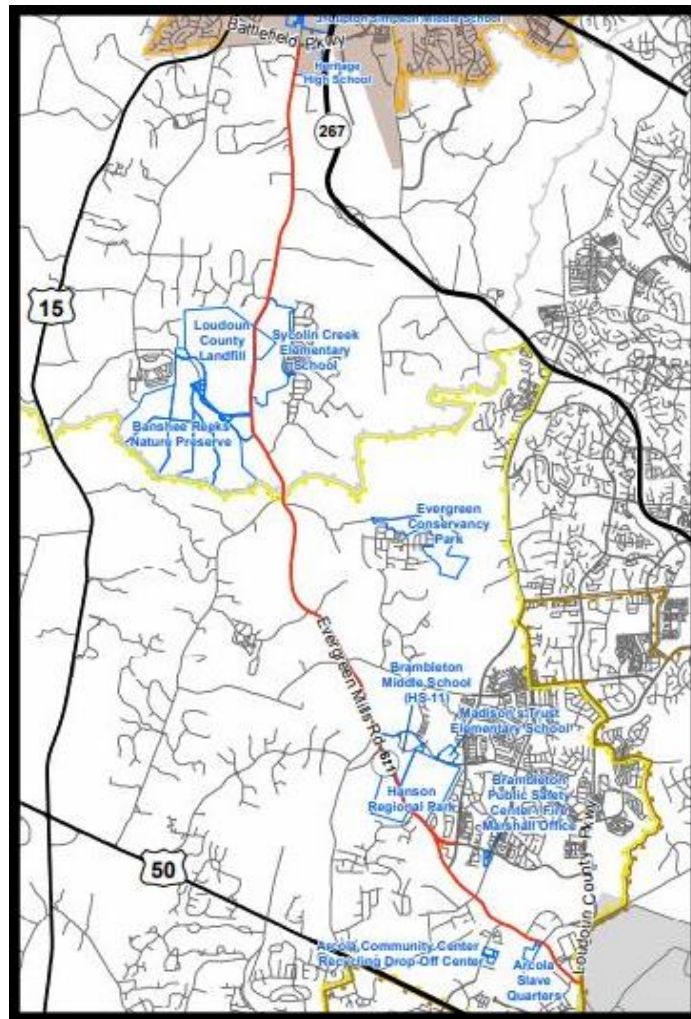


Dear Leesburg Resident,

Congratulations to Keith Johnson, Loudoun's Chief of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services, for being appointed to the Virginia Fire Services Board by Governor Northam on July 13th. This is good news for Loudoun County and Virginia!

#### [Evergreen Mills Road Community Meeting](#)

If you drive along Evergreen Mills Road from Leesburg south, this may be of interest: There will be a [community meeting](#) on proposed safety plans for Evergreen Mills Road at 6:30 pm on July 31st at Heritage High School, 520 Evergreen Mills Road, SE in Leesburg. In December 2017, the Board approved an audit that includes an engineering analysis of existing roadway and safety conditions along approximately 11.2 miles of Evergreen Mills Road. The study area includes Evergreen Mills Road between Battlefield Parkway and Loudoun County Parkway (shown in red on the map).



### **Bolen Park Stadium**

This may be of interest to Kincaid Forest, Tavistock, and those who use Sycolin Road. Without much public notice, the Bolen Park Stadium was added to the end of the County Planning Commission's July 24th public hearing agenda as a work session item. The document for this item can be found on the County's [website](#). However, while the rest of the Planning Commission meeting was televised, according to those watching at home, this part of the meeting was not, and I have been thus far unable to find any video of the meeting online, so I can't direct you to watch it if you have questions. Please e-mail me if you want more information:

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The applications were forwarded by the Planning Commission to the Board of Supervisors' September 12th public hearing with a recommendation for approval. There were three separate votes taken by the Planning Commission. The

Planning Commission recommended approval of the CPAM 7 to 2, with the Leesburg District and At-large Commissioners voting "No."

Commissioner Salmon moved that the Planning Commission forward the rezoning, Bolen Park Stadium, to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation of approval which passed 5 to 4, with the following amendments:

- Remove all references to the Town of Leesburg, the Leesburg Department of Public Works, and the Leesburg Police Department from the proffer regarding the Traffic Management Plan.
- Add when the Town of Leesburg opens Kincaid Boulevard to traffic during events the Town of Leesburg, the Leesburg Department of Public Works, and the Leesburg Police Department will be included in the review of the Traffic Management Plan.

Commissioner Keirce moved that the Planning Commission forward the following recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. This motion passed 9 to 0.

- That special events be limited in size to the seating capacity of the stadium until Kincaid Boulevard is open to Battlefield Parkway, or Crosstrail Boulevard is open to Russell Branch Parkway,
- That access to Cochran Mill Road be provided until Kincaid Boulevard is open to Battlefield Parkway, or Crosstrail Boulevard is open to Russell Branch Parkway,
- That funding be accelerated to four-lane Sycolin Road from Crosstrail Boulevard north to the Leesburg town line and complete Crosstrail Boulevard to the Greenway,
- That an alternative (grade-separated was mentioned) pedestrian crossing be provided when Crosstrail Boulevard is expanded to six lanes.

Leesburg residents who have relied on the Town Council's commitment to keep Kincaid Boulevard closed until Crosstrail Boulevard is complete to Wegman's will need to rely even more on the Town Council's resolve. Below is a map showing planned improvements to the roadway network surrounding the stadium.



### Envision Loudoun

At the July 19th Board business meeting, the Envision Loudoun (draft County Comprehensive Plan) work plan and schedule were forwarded to the Planning Commission. Please see the approved timeline.



Thank you to the Stakeholders Committee for their service. Envision Loudoun is a work in progress and I requested the following items be addressed as it goes forward to the Planning Commission.



- Illustrations of the Dulles International Airport 65 LDN corridor that include extensions of runway center lines to the apex in accordance with the 2005 EIS.
- A new fiscal impact model to reflect the costs of a more urban style of development and more closely based on the way our residents live today.
- Outreach and interaction with towns to address their concerns.

When we look at the number of school children generated by different kinds of housing, this number has not been calculated as accurately in recent years as we might have hoped. We need to think about how people are living now, not how they lived 20 years ago. There has been some confusion from the Town Mayors and Councils about the language in Envision Loudoun based on the way the draft document is structured. As represented by County staff, most of the towns should see no changes because they are surrounded by the rural policy area, which, itself, was, according to early Board direction, not supposed to be changed. Caveat: there is a proposal to consider moving some areas currently in the rural policy area into the transition policy area. The Town of Leesburg is unique in that it is surrounded by the rural and suburban policy areas and is just north of the transition policy area. On the debate over whether the rural and transition policy areas will see changes, I have personally heard from conservation-minded residents, many from Leesburg, who have expressed concerns that the draft plan is too vague to protect the transition and rural areas.

### Leesburg North Landing

On July 3rd, the Board voted to approve Leesburg North Landing, a special exception to permit up to 14 fuel pumps (12 pumps under the gas canopy and 2 diesel pumps) on the east side of Route 15, north of the Village of Lucketts subject to the proffer statement and the 11 conditions of approval. The gas station would include an attractive farm store that would promote Loudoun agricultural products. I want to thank the citizens who brought forth a number of concerns and the applicant for addressing a number of them. I was happy to support Supervisor Higgins's efforts to include language to prevent stormwater runoff from flowing onto a neighbor's property. The staff report indicates that traffic congestion in this area of Route 15 would be less under this application than if the already approved by-right use were to go forward. According to Bruce Clendenin from Clendenin Environmental & Geotechnic Consultants, Inc., there are no other gas stations in Loudoun County with the level of enhanced environmental protections that Leesburg North has agreed to provide as part of this project. It is hard to say no to the most environmentally sensitive gas station in Loudoun County. I supported this application because it is an advance over what we have seen in the past.

### Route 15 North

A Stakeholder Committee meeting was held on July 16th to discuss the analysis of the proposed improvement concepts A and B that were developed for the Safety and Operations Study. In the fall, there will be a third round of public input and a Board meeting on the Safety and Operations Study.

#### Rural Primary Roads Safety and Operational Studies

The Board directed staff to proceed with Safety and Operational Studies, similar to what is being conducted for Route 15 North of Leesburg, in the following priority order:

1. Route 9
2. Route 15 South of Leesburg
3. Route 7
4. Route 50
5. Route 287

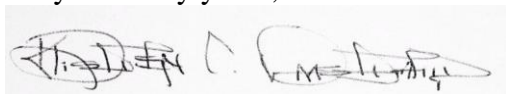
The study of Route 7 is recommended due to the high daily traffic volume, and the number and severity of crashes. In the Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP), the ultimate configuration of Route 7 is currently planned to be an eight-lane highway between Route 7 Business and Route 9; a six-lane highway between Route 9 and Round Hill; and a four-lane highway from Round Hill to the Clarke County Line. I am working with County staff to put together a community briefing in September on Route 7 plans and will keep you posted when we have a time, date and location.

#### Smart Scale Funding

At the July 3rd Board business meeting, ten roadway projects were submitted for Smart Scale funding for the Commonwealth Transportation Board Six Year Improvement Program (FY 2020 - FY 2025). Staff ranked the Route 7 widening between Route 9 and the Dulles Greenway third on the list of projects submitted.

Thank you and enjoy the rest of the summer!

Very sincerely yours,



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## Mayor Kelly Burk's Corner

**TASTE Leesburg**: The first annual TASTE Leesburg event is scheduled to take place on August 11th from 5:00 to 10:00 pm. A variety of restaurants, wineries, breweries, artists, entertainers, exhibitors, shops, and businesses will come together in the streets of downtown Leesburg. With an emphasis on our local food and drink, TASTE will provide an opportunity for visitors to sample a taste of all that Leesburg has to offer. For more information please visit the [website](#).

**Authentic Greek Restaurant Opens in Leesburg**: The Town welcomed Souvlaki Bar Greek Restaurant during a ribbon cutting at their new Shoppes at King's Corner location on Friday, June 20th. The authentic Greek restaurant offers a wide range of Greek favorites including souvlaki and yeero wraps, rice bowls, gourmet salads, dips, small plates, vegetarian and vegan items, and desserts. They also offer a wide range of Greek beer and wine. Please visit their [website](#) for additional information.

**Playground Improvements**: Last week, the Leesburg Department of Parks & Recreation had a new ADA accessible entrance installed at Rotary Park, on the corner of North and Church streets. Companion seating was also added during the construction process.

**Toter Delivery**: Toter (garbage cart) shipments have started coming to Leesburg from the manufacturing facility in North Carolina. Once final assembly is complete, delivery to the residents will start. Properties in the NW quadrant will be the first to receive the Toters with delivery estimated for the middle of next week.

**Temporary Closure of Loudoun Museum:** As you may have heard, the Loudoun Museum Board of Directors has relieved the executive director of her duties. The museum staff has been furloughed and the museum is currently closed to the public. In the coming weeks, the museum board will be meeting with the Board of Supervisors to discuss the County's ongoing financial support of the museum's operation.



## **Business of the Month** **South Street Under**

South Street Under has been part of the Market Station family for over a decade. What began as a place to bake fresh breads and pastries for the Tuscarora Mill Restaurant has evolved into one of Old Town Leesburg's favorite gathering place, serving breakfast, lunch, coffee, and pastries seven days a week.

We are located at Market Station, under the Tuscarora Mill Restaurant, 203 Harrison Street in Leesburg. Come join us on the patio!

## **Events & Info**



**Loudoun County Fair:** The fair is underway until Saturday, July 28th from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm at 17558 Dry Mill Road in Leesburg. Please visit the [website](#) for more information and a schedule of events.





**Enjoy Polo in the Park:** Saturday, July 28th at 6:00 pm with the first match at 7:00 pm and the second match at 8:30 pm sponsored by Loudoun Economic Development. Bring the whole family to Morven Park this Saturday evening for Polo in the Park. Spectators are encouraged to bring picnic baskets, blankets and your beverage of choice onto the terraced viewing area next to the riding arena. Don't want to bring your own dinner? Roots 657 restaurant will be there to serve favorites from its menu, and King Street Oyster Bar is bringing its Oyster Truck. Stone Tower Winery will offer wine for sale by the glass or bottle. Stay after the last match to enjoy dance music in the pavilion tent! Get more details [online](#).

**Contractor Chat at the HUBZone Quarterly Meeting:** Monday, July 30th from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Mason Enterprise Center in downtown Leesburg (202 Church Street, SE). Small businesses interested in federal contracting or HUBZone certification are invited to attend this free informational meeting. Lunch will be provided.

**Mason Enterprise Center Leesburg:** The Mason Enterprise Center is focused on providing direct business assistance services while working to accelerate entrepreneurship, business growth and innovation for long-term success. Mason Enterprise Center is located in historic downtown Leesburg at 202 Church Street, SE. The center provides office space and business services in a shared-cost, peer-to-peer, entrepreneurial environment. In addition, companies are connected to expertise, resources and business coaching from the Small Business Development Center at MEC-Leesburg. Please call us at 703-466-0466 or visit us [online](#).

**Acoustic on the Green Concerts:** Saturdays at 7:00 pm throughout the summer, come downtown to hear the best local and regional musicians perform on the Town Green. Check out the entire line up [here](#).

**Movies Under the Stars:** Friday, August 17th at dusk between 8:15 pm to 8:45 pm at the courthouse lawn. Last free kid-friendly movie of the year is Wonder. Picnics and blankets are encouraged!

**Leesburg's First Friday:** Stroll around historic downtown Leesburg on the First Friday of each month to enjoy numerous live music performances throughout the town, art exhibits, wine tastings, lectures, and so much more! Over 45 specialty shops, art galleries, antique shops and restaurants are open until 9 pm or later, many offering free refreshments and/or special sales. Mark your calendar for the next First Friday event on August 3rd.



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