



# The Village Voice

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## INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Indian Springs School Barbecue Pit  
Tuesday, October 18, 1994 6:00 p.m.

### Agenda

- I. Mayor/Council Committee Reports
- II. Ordinances and Resolutions
- III. Citizens' Forum
- IV. Cook-out before and after the meeting

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

By Mayor Hub Harrington

### *Stability of the North Shelby Fire District at Risk*

With all of the publicity surrounding the upcoming state and national elections, there is one very important election that has gone virtually unnoticed. Contemporaneously with the general election, those living within the area covered by the North Shelby County Fire and Emergency Medical District (NSFD) will be electing two members to the district's board. It is imperative that we elect board members that are interested in and committed to the preservation and future operation of our fire district.

This election comes at a critical time in the history of our fire district. Issues have arisen recently as a result of property that has been in the fire district since its existence being annexed into surrounding municipalities. A favorable resolution of this and other pressing problems will determine the long term financial stability of our fire district, which in turn determines the quality of the services rendered. To date, the services provided by the NSFD have been exemplary. Our fire district stands as a model which others seek to emulate. The residents of Indian Springs Village, and the surrounding areas, are dependent upon the services provided by the dedicated individuals who formed the fire district.

Nothing could be more important for our community's long term security and well being than the continuation of the fire district as we know it today. Unfortunately, there are those whose interests and goals conflict with this philosophy, and there is a movement afoot that would undermine the long term stability of the district. It is, therefore, an absolute necessity that we elect board members who are dedicated to the long term stability and operation of the NSFD. We are fortunate that there is a candidate for each board position that meets this criteria. **Charlie Waldrop** and **James Wyatt** are these candidates. Both are long time residents of the Valley, and now citizens of ISV. Charlie is a volunteer fireman and has long been on the district board. Jim Wyatt, the ISV Assistant Town Clerk, has long been active in community affairs and is running for the seat currently held by Larry Dillard. I strongly urge you to re-elect Charlie Waldrop and to elect Jim Wyatt to the other board position. The future of our fire district depends on it.

During recent months, there has been a string of incidents occur-

### Editor's Notes

The *Village Voice* is the official organ of Indian Springs Village, AL, established October 16, 1990. The primary purpose of this newsletter is to report the monthly deliberations of the mayor and the council in town council meetings as well as to give the mayor and council members the opportunity to communicate with the electorate. In addition, your editor's hope is to foster a spirit of community and cooperation along with fun and fairness. Good neighbors need less legislation. Expenses are covered by the efforts and donations of ISV volunteers. Deliveries are also made at no charge by volunteer couriers.

Address letters to the editor and appropriate news articles to: Olivia Weingarten, Editor, 1617 Indian Crest Drive, Indian Springs, AL 35124 (988-5417). Newcomer information should be reported to Patricia Crapet (985-9205).

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ring on Indian Crest Drive, in the Willow Ridge area, and now along Highway 119. Street signs and traffic signs have been vandalized and defaced. Lighting fixtures, mailboxes, and other outdoor items have been removed, stolen or damaged. Two of our new street signs, Arrowhead Lane and Valley View Road, which were recently installed along Highway 119, have been stolen. These acts of vandalism not only drain our financial resources but create hazardous conditions which the installation of the various lights and signage were created to prevent. There have been numerous complaints concerning these various acts, and our citizenry will no longer stand for this senseless destruction of property and disregard for the safety and well-being of our community. Various neighborhoods have formed community watches, and it should be known that **anyone** who is found engaging in **any act** of vandalism or malicious mischief will be **prosecuted to the fullest**. In an effort to bring such activities to a halt, ISV is offering a reward in the amount of \$1,000 to be paid to any individual who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of anyone engaged in these acts of vandalism within our community. This reward will be offered for an arrest and conviction of the one who has committed this crime on either public or private property. It is our intent to take all legal means available to bring the perpetrators of these crimes to justice and to prevent future incidents. Please contact me or any town councilperson if you have information which can be helpful in the apprehension of these vandals. Any and all information obtained will be held in the strictest confidence. Please assist in this endeavor, so that we might continue to ensure the safety and tranquility of our community.

## Get Your Paper Tubes!

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

All villagers listen up! *The Village Voice* needs desperately for each of you to have a paper tube on your mailbox. The post office has requested that we not deposit your copy of our community newsletter in or on your mail box receptacle. It makes it very difficult for your dedicated courier to deliver your newsletter to your home if you do not have some sort of holder in which the newsletter can be placed, especially if you have a brick mailbox.

*The Birmingham News* will give you a paper tube or you may use a piece of pvc pipe to do the job. We will have paper tubes available at the next council meeting or you may call Olivia Weingarten (988-5417) or Patricia Crapet (802-2753) to secure a paper tube.

Since *The Village Voice* is delivered by volunteers who are your neighbors and is a free service to the community, any way that you, as a citizen of ISV, can accommodate the delivery of your newsletter will be greatly appreciated.

## In Sympathy

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

The Town of Indian Springs Village wishes to extend condolences to Colleen Batson Garrett in the death of her husband, Floyd Tate Garrett, of Indian Forest Road. Mr. Garrett, a member of New Hope Cumberland Presbyterian Church, passed away on September 19, 1994, at the age of 70. Other survivors include a son, Dow Garrett; stepson, Wesley Jarrett; daughters, Aleita Lancy and Paula Wilson; brothers O. G. Garrett and Frank L. Garrett; a sister, Daphne Purvis, and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Sincere sympathy also goes to villager Claudia Schilleci Farris of Indian Ridge Drive in the loss of her mother, Lena Schilleci Boothe. Mrs. Boothe, age 73, passed away on September 24. Mrs. Boothe is also survived by her sons, Sam Ross Schilleci and Ross Vincent Schilleci, 13 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

## Welcome New Villagers

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

A big "howdy" goes out to Bennett and Debra McLauren who now reside at 1977 Indian Crest Drive, formerly the home of Donny and Janet Finley. The McLaurens have two children, both of whom attend Oak Mountain Elementary School. Elizabeth, age 8, is a third grader, and Ian, age 5, is a kindergartener. The McLauren family comes to us from Inverness, but they are originally from North Carolina. Bennett is the owner of Managed Care Diagnostics, which places cardiac monitoring systems as prescribed for patients by their physicians. Debra is the owner of McLauren's, a specialty boutique showroom located in Inverness.

A big welcome is also extended to John and Rena Hauser, who have just moved into their new home at 511 Miller Circle. The Hausers come to ISV from Echo Lake, a private lake between Clay and Springville, Alabama. John and Rena's grown son and daughter, who both live in the North Shelby area, decided that mom and dad needed to be closer to family. John and Rena really enjoy the convenience of living much closer to their grandchildren. John is retired from metal finishing and foundry work, and after a stint at Adams Produce Company, now keeps his days occupied working with his son's business in Pelham. Rena, who is "just a housewife", runs a tight ship at home.

**HAPPY  
FOURTH  
BIRTHDAY**

**INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE**

**FOURTH ANNUAL FOUNDER'S DAY  
CELEBRATION**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1994**

**INDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL  
BARBECUE PIT**

***FREE***

**HAMBURGERS - HOT DOGS  
CHIPS - COLD DRINKS - DESSERTS**

**Refreshments served 6 - 7 P.M. and after the council meeting**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS!!**

# Town Council Highlights

September 20, 1994

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

The Town Council of Indian Springs Village met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 1994, in the town hall at Indian Springs School. Mayor Hub Harrington presided over the meeting with Council members Patricia Crapet, Gary Dennis, Art Johnson, and Stewart Dudley present.

The minutes of the August meeting were unanimously adopted as written. Revenues for the month were: beer taxes, \$669; building permits, \$369; aluminum can recycling, \$102.90; and road funds, \$677. After an expenditure of \$20,558 for debris cleanup and \$12,250 for burning of debris, the balance in the general fund was \$16,698, with the road fund balance being \$22,280. An application to the Federal Emergency Management Assessment division of the federal government will be made and it is anticipated that 85% of the funds spent for cleanup will be reimbursed.

Mayor Hub Harrington announced that Onnie Dickerson will assume the chairmanship of the ISV Planning and Zoning Board. Dickerson replaces Peyton Lacy who will remain on the Board.

Mayor Harrington asked townspeople in attendance if there was any support for a high school to be built in ISV or the North Shelby area. Upon the urging of those in attendance and the unanimous consent of the council, Mayor Harrington agreed to write the Shelby County School Board in support of a new high school in or nearby ISV. According to information supplied to Mayor Harrington, one other option for the school board was to expand, if possible, the campuses of the two current high schools, which would still not be convenient to ISV and surrounding areas. A new location under consideration by the school board is the DiGiorgio property, located on Highway 119 close to the Meadowbrook Post Office near Highway 280. The problem with this property is that it is in extremely close proximity to the city limits of Hoover. Many feel that the construction of a new high school in such a location would be disastrous without access to ISV or another Shelby County municipality. ISV is miles from the site and there is no way for our town to annex the property by contiguous means.

Mayor Harrington reported that the recommendation of the ISV Planning and Zoning Board regarding the application to rezone the Bailey property on Caldwell Mill Road for townhomes was to deny the request. The Town Council will consider this recommendation and vote on the rezoning at the October meeting.

Mayor Harrington introduced the last petition for annexation of the Oak Mountain schools. The rules were suspended unanimously by roll call vote, thus allowing for a vote on the petition. The petition for annexation passed unanimously.

Several petitions for annexation were presented to the council by Assistant Town Clerk Jim Wyatt and Onnie Dickerson. The properties included that of Rick and Linda Benson, 441 Valley View Road, and Patrick and Judith Chitwood, 190 Miller Circle, as well as those of over 30 property owners in the Indian Forest Trail area. The rules were suspended by unanimous roll call vote, with the ordinances passing unanimously in favor of annexing the properties in question.

Mayor Harrington presented a proposed budget for fiscal year 1994-95. The budget was reviewed by the council and will be considered at the October meeting. (See below).

## Town of Indian Springs Village Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 1994-95

### Projected Revenues

Licenses and Permits	\$ 2,000
Taxes from Pro-Rata Shares	15,500
Interest Income	750
Fourth of July Revenue	1,500
Village Voice Donations	200
Aluminum Can Recycling	600
Utility Tax Receipts	37,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$57,550</b>

### Projected Expenditures

Dues	\$ 700
Insurance	3,000
Office Supplies	500
Professional Fees	1,000
Recording Fees	1,000
Maps	1,000
Utilities	150
Printing	1,200
Service Charges	50
Emergency Cleanup	5,000
Fourth of July	2,500
Founders Day	1,000
Easter Egg Hunt	250
Street Repairs and Maintenance	2,500
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$19,850</b>

**EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES:**  
**\$37,750**

## Adopt-A-Mile is October 22

By Councilman Art Johnson

The September Adopt-a-Mile was attended by newcomers Steve and Carol Philen and yours truly. There were two or three new volunteers who were "no shows". On the positive side, it was obvious that the property owners along Highway 119 had been doing their part to remove the unsightly litter since the last litter walk in June.

The litter walkers were rewarded for their community spirit with a glorious fall morning and a clean Cahaba Valley Road. Please come forward and donate about an hour to help maintain the beauty of our community by ending the unsightly clutter of road litter. It really makes a difference.

If you would like to help your town maintain its natural, litter-free atmosphere, you are invited to join us on Saturday, October 22, at 8:30 a.m. The meeting place is the Mormon Church parking lot on Cahaba Valley Road. All you need to bring is a pair of work gloves and some friends.

## ISV Recycling

By Councilman Art Johnson

Just to prove August's record collection was no fluke, villagers in increasing numbers are participating in the ISV Recycling Program. September's 283 pounds was just a few pounds short of the August record. Two trips were required to get all the bags of aluminum cans to the recycling center. I want to acknowledge the participation of John Hauser of Miller Circle. John was annexed into Indian Springs Village on Tuesday and was driving his own pickup truck collecting aluminum cans throughout the village the very next evening. That is real community spirit. Other volunteers included Herb Robbins, who is organizing the recycling efforts in Homestead, Gene Weingarten, who took all the cans to the recycling center, and Jackie and Art Johnson. Again the continuing success of the ISV Recycling Program goes to every "environmental superstar" who helped recycle over 8000 aluminum cans each of the past two months.

In order for our program to continue to be successful, it is important that you put only aluminum cans in the bags. The recycling center that we use will not accept

steel cans, glass or plastic bottles. If any bags have any of this mixture with the aluminum cans we will not be able to take them.

To recycle, place your bagged aluminum cans near your driveway, opposite the normal BFI garbage, before 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday night, October 19th. Please use white or clear plastic bags with the tops tied in a knot. Watch for recycling reminders along Highway 119, Indian Crest Drive, and at the entrance to Homestead.

## ISV Cruise-in Night

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

Shame on those of you who missed the "cruise-in" on the last Saturday of September at the Jack's Hamburgers in ISV's Valleydale Marketplace. Antique and custom cars and trucks were plentiful, as was rock & roll from the good old days. There were even hula hoops for children and those brave adults who cared to embarrass themselves in front of their friends, families, and total strangers. A great time was had by all, and I spied several inquisitive villagers who had come by to check out the festivities.

The next cruise-in at the ISV Jack's will be on October 22nd, the fourth Saturday of the month. The vehicles usually begin gathering around 7:00 p.m. and the drawing for the money is at 9:00 p.m. This may be the last cruise-in until next spring, so don't miss it. Door prizes from area merchants are sometimes given away, and raffle tickets are sold for \$1 each. At the end of the night, a drawing is held and all proceeds from the sale of the tickets are given to the winning ticket holder. Be there or be square!

## REWARD

### \$1000

To be paid to any individual providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for, or engaged in, any acts of vandalism in the Town of Indian Springs Village.

Any and all information will be held in the strictest of confidence. See Mayor's Message for details, p.1.