

## **Chevy Chase Village Election Supervisors 2019 - 2020 Annual Report**

1. The Election Supervisors confirmed that three board members' terms were ending in June 2020. We ascertained the interest of incumbents in running again. During February and March, we notified Village residents of the vacancies and the requirements to become a candidate, using the Crier and Village emails. This information included a short summary of the financial disclosure procedures, in order to assure potential candidates that this step was not unduly onerous.
2. Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Village offices were closed to the public on March 14, 2020, and remain closed at this time. Because of this unprecedented situation, the election information circulated to Village residents in the Crier and Village emails contained very specific instructions as to the means by which interested residents could obtain further information and all forms and documents necessary to file a Certificate of Candidacy and Financial Disclosure Statement.
3. Because of the likelihood that the COVID-19 pandemic would preclude in-person voting at the Village Hall should an election be held on May 3, 2020, the Supervisors began exploring alternative means by which the election could be held, for example, voting exclusively by absentee ballot. As explained below, however, no election need be held. Accordingly, no further consideration will be given to such alternative election procedures.
4. The Election Supervisors met on April 2, 2020, following the deadline for candidates to submit their Certificates of Candidacy and Financial Disclosure Statements. The Supervisors confirmed that there are three candidates for the three open positions on the Board. All three are incumbents: Elissa Leonard, Robert Goodwin and Nancy Watters. All three of the candidates submitted the required Certificates of Candidacy and Financial Disclosure Statements by the April 2 deadline, and these have been reviewed and endorsed as duly filed by the Village Ethics Commission. Because the number of candidates and the number of vacancies are equal, there will be no need for elections in May.
5. Unless there are any questions, pursuant to the procedures in the Village Charter, the Election Supervisors hereby declare the following three candidates elected to the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers: Elissa Leonard, Robert Goodwin and Nancy Watters.
6. The 2019-2020 Election Supervisors are Robert Broeksmit, Mary Sheehan (Chair), Karen Spangler and Nancy Wilkinson.