



Avalon Shores Civic Association Newsletter, October 2023

News from the President:

Hello everyone, I am Nik Matoka and I am currently the Avalon Shores Civic Association (ASCA) President.

I'd like to welcome all the new residents and invite you to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

I strongly encourage you to check the next page for community meeting dates which are open to all homeowners in the community. Here are a few things we were able to get accomplished last year:

1. Repaired old benches and other seating at both parks.
2. Replaced the boat ramp gate.
3. Added mulch to the beach park playground.
4. Added sand to the beach park beach.
5. Completed tree trimming on Association property.
6. Re-striped the parking lots at the beach and ballfield.
7. Added a new kayak rack.

As always, we'd love to get your input on anything involving Avalon Shores!

Nik Matoka, ASCA President

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Community Calendar 2024

All dates below are contingent on social gatherings that may be scheduled at the South County Community Church which would take precedence over our Association scheduled meetings. Please pay attention to our Facebook feed for any meeting date changes. If you don't have Facebook and/or would like to be notified by email when a date changes, please let me know by emailing me at nmatoka@gmail.com.

Historically, Community Meetings are held on the Saturday following the Board Meeting in February, May, August, and October. Due to known schedule conflicts, these dates have been slightly modified below, so please save these dates.

In addition, the Board is surveying the community to find out if other dates or times for Community Meetings would help increase attendance since we have heard from some residents that Saturday mornings are difficult to make. Please take the survey by October 15: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/656QKVM>

January 3 Board Meeting	February 7 Board Meeting 17 Community Meeting	March 6 Board Meeting	April 3 Board Meeting
May 1 Board Meeting 4 Community Meeting	June 5 Board Meeting	July 3 Board Meeting	August 7 Board Meeting 17 Community Meeting
September 4 Board Meeting	October 2 Board Meeting 5 Community Meeting	November None	December None

October 7, 2023 at 10:30 is the Community Meeting to vote on the 2025 budget.

The proposed tax per account is to remain unchanged at \$135 per year.

Avalon Shores Civic Association
 Fiscal Year 2025 Expenditures
 July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County Fee	\$2,000.00
Administrative Expenses	\$8,000.00
Annual Maintenance	\$14,000.00
Utilities	\$2,500.00
One-off Maintenance	\$13,000.00
Road Maintenance	\$39,340.00
<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$78,840.00</u>

Number of Properties: 584

Please keep in mind that we are not strictly tied to the line item amounts above, but rather these are estimates to help formulate what the annual tax per account should be (\$78,840 divided by 584 = \$135)

Help Wanted!

I hope you all had a great year in Avalon Shores, or if you are newer to the community, I hope you're enjoying your residence! For anyone that is new to the community, please understand that this is not a Homeowners Association (HOA), we are just a Civic Association. Therefore, our authority generally only extends so far as Association owned property and maintaining road surfaces not owned by the county. That is to say, we don't tell people what color their house needs to be.

All members of the Board are volunteers and we try our best to maintain the property the Association owns and improve where we can improve.

With that said, we often need to find help for small maintenance projects (which the Association will pay for). It is not easy to find contractors willing to take on small jobs that come up throughout the community, so please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you, or someone you know, may be interested in small maintenance.

Useful Sites, Phone Numbers, and Info

Boat Ramp Lock Code: 9000

BGE (useful if you see a street light out):

<https://www.bge.com/Outages/ReportAnOutage/> or 1-800-685-0123

Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works (DPW) (issues with county roads—typically identified by a green road sign as opposed to blue; or to report an overgrown lot):

<https://www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/contact-us/> or 410-222-7500

Anne Arundel County Animal Control:

<https://www.aacounty.org/locations-and-directions/animal-control> or 410-222-8900

Anne Arundel County's website at aacounty.org makes it convenient to report most county issues online. This site is a great county directory: <https://www.aacounty.org/services-and-programs>

EMERGENCIES: CALL 9-1-1	
POLICE – FIRE – RESCUE – MEDICAL – GAS LEAKS	
SEE SOMETHING? SAY SOMETHING!	
CALL 9-1-1 or 1-800-CALLFBI	
IMPORTANT NUMBERS	
Police (non-emergency)	410-222-8050
Fire (non-emergency)	410-222-8300
BGE Power Outages	877-778-2222
Animal Control	410-222-8900
Community Engagement/Constituent Svcs	410-222-1785
Aging & Disabilities	410-222-4257
Health	410-222-7095
Inspections & Permits	410-222-7790
Office of Transportation	410-222-0022
Public Schools	410-222-5000
Public Works (general)	410-222-7500
Public Works (utilities)	410-222-8400
Public Works (roads/snow)	410-222-4040
Sheriff's Office (non-emergency)	410-222-1571
Social Services	410-421-8400
HELP LINES	
County Crisis/Addiction "Warm Line"	410-768-5522
Disaster Distress Helpline	800-985-5990
Maryland Youth Crisis Hotline	800-422-0009
National Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
National Suicide Prevention Hotline	800-784-2433



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