

GHCA Board Message

SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING

Thursday June 18th at 6:30 PM

St. Mark's Church

This Special Community Meeting is to prepare for a meeting with the County Council on Wednesday June 24th at 7:00 PM.

As a resident of Highland, the Special Community Meeting will be the forum where we identify the local issues affecting our community that we want to share with the County Council on June 24.

ALL ARE INVITED to both the Special Community Meeting on Thursday, June 18 and the County Council Meeting on June 24.

A few of the issues affecting Highland are as follows:

BRX (Business Rural Crossroads) District Zoning in Highland – Section 117.0 in Howard County's Zoning Regulations. BRX Zoning is part of the comprehensive zoning regulations bundle recently passed and which will overburden and destroy Highland's rural character. The GHCA Board proposes the Highland Community **work for the removal of** Highland from BRX Zoning. Copies of the BRX Zoning regulation will be available for review.

High Density Residential Subdivisions – Highland is currently under consideration for high density residential subdivisions. Locating this type of density on well and septic is contrary to Highland's Rural Residential Zoning and should be avoided in order to preserve open space in Western Howard County, protect the aquifer upon which we all depend, and minimize increasing traffic problems in the area.

The June 18th Special Community Meeting is to identify other issues of concern to you as a resident of Highland. Please make plans to attend and share your thoughts so that we can present an informed and actionable agenda to the County Council on June 24th.

The Greater Highland Crossroads Association works for the enhancement of our community, for the enrichment of our historic village, for developing a vision for our future, and for input into the Howard County Planning process. We are a small historic village community of about 2,000 home sites. To protect our rural residential quality of life, it is important that all members of the Community know the issues, and work together and preserve the country atmosphere of our community that makes Highland our special home town.

PLEASE SHARE YOUR VOICE AND YOUR CONCERNS TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT HIGHLAND!