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Public Hearing Rescheduled for June 7, 2018 for Request to Establish Fifth Special Tax District in Chesapeake Ranch Estates

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – May 2, 2018 – The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has rescheduled a public hearing to consider and receive comments on a petition for the Property Owners Association of Chesapeake Ranch Estates to establish its fifth special tax district beginning Fiscal Year 2019. The petition requests an annual increase of \$25, to raise the current special tax district from \$250 to \$275.

The hearing, originally set for Tuesday, May 1 at 7 p.m., was cancelled at 7:17 p.m. after staff was made aware that an American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter could not attend as requested by a hearing-impaired citizen. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires government staff to give primary consideration to the choice of aid or service requested by the person who has a communication disability. The ADA also states "...a failure to take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that no individual with a disability is excluded, denied services, segregated or otherwise treated differently than other individuals because of the absence of auxiliary aids and services..." constitutes discrimination.

The BOCC apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused residents. The rescheduled hearing will be held **Thursday, June 7, 2018, at 7 p.m.** at the Southern Community Center located at 20 Appeal Lane in Lusby. The shift from a Tuesday to Thursday evening public hearing was made to accommodate the Patuxent High School graduation ceremony.

The proposed special tax district will primarily fund the cost of road sustainment, equipment replacement, safety projects, dams and storm water annual maintenance through

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June 30, 2023. Citizens who live in this area are encouraged to weigh in on this important proposal.

Citizens can view the petition [online](#). For additional information, contact the Calvert County Department of Finance & Budget at 410-535-1600, ext. 2435 or via email at Timothy.Hayden@calvertcountymd.gov. Individuals who cannot attend the public hearing may submit written comments. These written comments must be received by 4:30 p.m., June 6, 2018, and may be submitted by emailing COMMISS@calvertcountymd.gov or through the U.S. mail to the BOCC at 175 Main St., Prince Frederick, MD 20678.

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