

**Boyd's Civic Association
SPECIAL MEETING
February 26, 2015
Traffic Issues at Intersection of Clopper and Clarksburg Roads**

President Hammet Hough called the Boyd's Civic Association (BCA) to order at 7:40 pm on February 26, 2015 for a Special Meeting. There were about 31 people in attendance.

**SPEAKER
Miriam Schoenbaum**

• **Problem:**

There is currently a traffic problem at the intersection of Clarksburg Road and Clopper Road. Clarksburg has increased its population by 13,000 since 20 years ago, with 1,800 new homes planned in the Cabin Branch development. With more development, the traffic and transit problems will worsen. This issue needs to be addressed now.

• **Potential Solution:**

The proposed concept plan would realign Clopper Road to intersect Clarksburg Road at Barnesville Road by going under/over the railroad tracks at the "former" concrete lot. The MARC station would move to the concrete lot. Parking and transit turnaround would be located at concrete lot.

• **Pros:**

- Boyds would keep its own station to provide improved service for the expected increased ridership.
- By bypassing the current Clopper and Clarksburg intersection, main traffic would flow smoothly and efficiently.
- Additional parking at the relocated Boyds MARC station could alleviate the congested parking at Barnesville and Germantown MARC stations.
- This project would probably cost less than building a parking garage at the Germantown MARC station.
- There would be plenty of room for the bus transit turnaround.
- By keeping heavy traffic away from Historic Boyds, it would protect and preserve the history of the local area.

• **Cons:**

- Expensive to re-route Clopper Road.
- Expensive to put in new tunnel/bridge under/over the train tracks.
- Need to purchase current concrete lot.
- Timeline will take at least 5 years; so current traffic problem would continue to worsen.

Motion unanimously passed:

The Boyd's Civic Association endorsed the proposed concept plan.

