

CHESOPEIAN COLONY CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING

APRIL 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order by the President, Tony Montville, at 7:45 P.M.. Approximately 36 Colony residents were present (see attached list)

Secretary's Report was read by Betty Kennedy, Secretary and approved following some corrections.

Treasurer's report: B.J. Taylor, Treasurer, reported that we have **approximately \$310 in the checking account, approximately \$3,800 in the savings account of which \$1,200 belongs to the Scholarship Fund and \$900 designated for repair of the fences and approximately \$2,100 in the money market fund of which \$500 is designated for the Boat ramp.** 189 residents participated in paying their dues for the Civic League last year. **The dues are \$50 per year** – an excellent price for the benefits received by the residents. The report was accepted as read.

John Vest, Vice President expressed his tremendous pleasure to have the opportunity to live in Chesapeake Colony where there is a true sense of community and how the volunteers through the Civic League make the Colony what it is. Without their participation and support we would be unable to have the joy and **camaraderie** of the 4th of July celebration with the parade and picnic and the Halloween party. It is because of the Civic League that we are able to maintain the beauty of the neighborhood. It has made us a strong community.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Speeding Report** – presented by John Vest, Vice President. It was discussed as how to keep people from exceeding the 25 mile an hour speed limit. Several ideas were suggested. Speed bumps were rejected. The presence of a police office might help. **Rattle (rumble?) Strips were suggested as a reminder to go slow. Traffic Calming Program (?). Don't know what the previous means so I suggest you delete it.** Contractors are a problem. Take down the names and license numbers and call John Vest and he will be willing to write a letter. John Weirsh suggested putting together a committee to help solve the problem. Todd Lovelace said that he has spoken to speeders and it has helped. It was suggested to follow up on regular intervals with police and consider digital speed signs.
- 2. Dredging** - presented by **Frank Gurdziel**, President of the Dredging Corporation for the last three years. The dredging has gone through the various commissions but the one issue remaining is with **Wayne McLeskey** who owns some of the canal strips and the boat ramp. He met with Wayne three weeks ago. McLeskey wants to support the dredging but does not want to take any liability. A Quit Claim Deed was suggested for the little pieces of property he owns to be granted to Chesapeake Colony. He also was receptive to handing over the boat ramp –“whatever he owns – all parcels”. He asked for it to be put in writing by the lawyers. Bill Swanner, lawyer, is to meet with Tom Langley; the engineer for the dredging project. John Vest, Vice President of the Chesapeake Colony Civic League, said that he would like to meet with the committee. Wayne Woolwine who is the representative for our Civic League had been ill, which had delayed the project. Tom McLaughlin indicated there might be a problem with a quit claim deed for the ramp due to the fact that a portion of it may be a part of the shopping center. The boat ramp is a separate issue from the dredging. Frank Gurdziel stated the running rate for removing the spoils is \$40 a yard. There is less spoil to be removed this time, but the cost is up; therefore, it will probably be about the same. There were 102 participants the last time and at this time there are 117.
- 3. Boat Ramp** – Money is available for repair but it is not advisable until after the dredging is completed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Street Signs** –The sign is down on North Kings and Chesopeian Trail in front of Doan’s house and will be repaired and put back up. Tony Montville, President, was able to track down the old sign company. They will not repair just a couple. All the signs need refurbishing. **?(Still have sign on North Kings)? (PVC ?wear and tear?) Suggest you delete the previous??** Getting estimates for refurbishing and re-installation of sign on North Kings.
2. **Front Lights** – Will be repaired. Cost was budgeted for last year. The 8’ lights are difficult to find. The board is getting quotes.
3. **New Storage Shed** – Needed to store item for entrance parties and for storing equipment for maintaining entrance. It is unobtrusive hidden in the bushes and painted green.
4. **Fence** – Carolyn Dittrick brought the subject of the Civic League contributing toward the new fence put up between the Farm Fresh shopping center and the house at the end of Queen Anne Rd. by the turn around for trailers for the boat ramp. She asked that we keep it as an open agenda for the board for the future.
5. **Nominations for Officer and Directors for 2008 were presented by the nominating committee::**
President – Tony Montville – 2nd Term Vice President – John Vest -3rd Term
Treasurer – B. J. Taylor (repeat) Secretary – Betty Kennedy (repeat)
Directors: Todd Lovelace and Audra Flynn. Nominations were requested from the floor. None were made. Ron Hess made a motion to close the nominations and Linda Hill seconded it. The vote was unanimous. Attached is the list of the officers along with those directors carrying out their current terms.
6. **4th of July Parade and Picnic** – it was suggested by one of the residents that a committee for better coordination of the Parade would be helpful. Todd Lovelace volunteered to help along with Susan Thesier and Annette Thompson.
7. **New Directory** – It is time for an update – has not been one for some time. Working on an insert.
8. **Web Site** – under construction for Chesopeian Colony at this time.
9. **Soliciting in Colony** – Jackie Harkness spoke about an article in paper regarding people knocking late at night. Perhaps have a permanent sign saying “No Solicitors - \$2,000 in fines” May deter robbers. Ron Hess will investigate. Ron will check that Virginia Beach enforces soliciting in the same way. He asked that residents will call him with specific dates that suspicious solicitors came.
10. **Donations** – Civic League donates to Plaza Rescue Squad (Pam Holder?) **Suggest delete para 10.**
11. **Bushes at end of East Kings Rd.** – Eleanor Knight said it was difficult to see coming out of East Kings. Asked the board to look into it.
12. **Scholarship Committee** – Terry Butler, Chairman, reported they were looking for seniors and she had a sign up sheet for anyone interested.
13. **Numbers in Newsletter** – requested by Carolyn Dittrick. (?)**Suggest delete para 13.**

Rolly Doan made a motion that we adjourn the meeting. **Seconded by Bill Thesier.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

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: CHESOPEIAN COLONY CIVIC LEAGUE BOARD MEMBERS

2007

Elected at Civic League Meeting on April 27th.

(This is supposed to be done in January)

Please consult the front of your directory for a copy of the Bylaws

There is supposed to be a 5 day notice of meetings to be given

Officers: (1 year term)

Tony Montville – President (new) – ; hm 306- xxxx; wk ; cell

John Vest – Vice-President (re-elected) - in charge of 4th of July and Halloween parties - jinvest@cox.net;
hm 431- xxxx; wk 425- xxxx; cell 714- xxxx

B. J. Taylor – Treasurer (re-elected) – bjtaylor@antoeon.com; hm 486- xxxx; wk 424- xxxx ext 159; cell

Betty Kennedy (re-elected) - Secretary – bettina10@cox.net; hm 340- xxxx; cell 630- xxxx; wk 463- xxxx

Members of the Board: (6 embers serve for 3 years with different outgoing years plus past president for 1 yr.)

Ron Hess (3 of 3 years to go) – ronhess26@cox.net; hm 486- xxxx

Bill Thesier (3 of 3 years to go) – wthesier@cox.net; hm 631- xxxx; wk 486- xxxx; cell

Curtis Vest (2 of 3 years to go) – vest16@cox.net; hm 463- xxxx wk 425- xxxx; cell 714- xxxx

Bob Brown (2 of 3 years to go) – sbustbrown@2smokecigars.com; hm 481- xxxx; cell 615- xxxx

Kevin Knight (1 of 3 years to go) – kknight@cox.net; hm965- xxxx; wk ; cell

Brooks Gornto (1 of 3 years to go) – bgornto@cox.net; hm 486- xxxx; wk 857- xxxx x711; cell

Linda Hill (1 year) – lkhil157@aol.com; hm 498-4455; wk 496— xxxx ext. 2; cell

Chairman of Committees – may be invited to board meetings – not supposed to vote (?).

Tom McLaughlin –Council of Civic Organizations - mclaughlin@jwfc.jfcom.mil; hm 965- xxxx;
wk ; cell

Wayne Woolwine –Dredging Committee & Program Director; thewoolines@msn.com; hm 340- xxxx;
cell

Marny Keogh – Security Captain – hm 463- xxxx; wk

Terri Butler –Scholarship Committee - hm 431- xxxx; wk ; cell

Representative for Garden Club – Betty Kennedy

It was suggested that we have Sal Iaquinto, our City Council representative, as a guest speaker at our next Civic League meeting to answer any questions or discuss any concerns or issues that we may have.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Betty Kennedy

