CHESOPEIAN COLONY CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING

October 11, 2011

President Todd Lovelace called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. at the Foundry United Methodist Church. There were 22 residents in attendance.

Secretary's report: Minutes were approved as submitted.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: BJ said all outstanding bills are paid and we are within budget. 192 residents have paid their dues. Balances:

Checking Account General Fund \$6566.90

Savings Account Balance

 Scholarship
 \$1268.22

 Fence
 761.76

 General
 3648.51

 TOTAL
 \$5678.49

Report approved as submitted.

Committee Reports:

- Security Ron Hess reminded everyone to LOCK YOUR CARS! There have been several incidences of young, white, males in their early 20's soliciting in the neighborhood. Their spiel begins "you probably know my mom; she walks the (pick a dog) on the trail. They live on (pick a street). I've been selected from my school to study abroad and am raising money for the trip". This appears to be a citywide problem. If you encounter this situation, please call the police at 385-5000.
- Newsletters: Bill Thesier said anyone in the neighborhood can contribute articles to the newsletter. If you would like to advertise, cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for teenagers for a business card sized advertisement. The newsletter is printed four times a year and comes out the week before the quarterly civic league meeting.
- Halloween party A volunteer sign-up sheet was posted at the entrance of the room and residents were encouraged to volunteer. Setup will begin at 3:30 and the party will start at 5 pm. Hot dogs, chips, beer and soft drinks will be available. Donations will be accepted for food and beer. Kevin Duffan is chairman of the event.
- Website BJ Taylor has placed old newsletters and the original dredging documents on the website. He is trying to put as much relevant colony history on the site as he can find. If residents have interesting historical documents they would like to contribute, please call BJ.
- Garden Club Jennifer Coleman reported their annual yard sale is scheduled for October 15th from 9-2 at 625 Chesopeian Trail. They will be accepting donated items on Friday. No electronics, please. All the proceeds go to the beautification efforts at the front entrance.
- Council of Civic Organizations No report
- Welcome Betsy McEnroe said she has about ten new residents to contact.
- Beautification Resident Jimmy Hall donated his time and equipment to help trim the holly tree at the front entrance. It will again be spotlighted during the Christmas holidays. Tom McLaughlin said he has a long row of wax myrtles that are free to a good home if they will come dig them up. The storage shed at the front of the colony sustained roof and skylight damage from falling limbs. Dave McGlouhan of Home Remedy donated his services to make the repairs.
- Clean the Bay Day Tom McLaughlin said the event is always held the first week of June and is a fun day. He can always use more volunteers.

- Scholarship Jennifer Coleman said this is the 10th year a scholarship has been awarded to a deserving colony senior.
- Street Parties Sandy Valley has had an annual street party for the past five years. East and South Kings and Apasus had one this year.

Old Business:

• Dredging – Another community meeting with the city will be held toward the end of the year. There is no current news to report.

New Business:

• There was discussion of declining attendance at the civic league meetings during the past 4-5 years. When Off. Nieves spoke, it was quite embarrassing to only have 10 people present and most of those were board members. It was suggested that a notice be put in the newsletter when a speaker is scheduled. Susie said not only was it in the newsletter, an email was sent out colony-wide advising of the speaker. Someone suggested that our neighborhood has no real controversies at this time, everything is good and no need to attend!

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Thesier Secretary