

Chesapeake Colony Civic League Meeting

October 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm at Beach Ford Dealership by President Steve Vigus. There were 13 residents present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Thank you Everett Milteer for providing us with the flag.

Secretary's Report: Reading of the minutes from 06-16-15 was waived and approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: April Brown was not able to be at the meeting. In an email she sent, she said 1 resident paid their 2014 dues, 172 residents paid their 2015 dues, and 2 residents paid their 2016 dues for a total of \$8,750.00.

Checking account balance:	\$6,912.49
Savings account balance:	\$4,414.07 (interest accrued)
Scholarship fund:	\$2,201.22

Committee Reports:

- **Security** – Ron Hess said there was a break in. George Coleman said there was a break in on Queen Anne Road. The locked back door was broken into between 6-8 pm two weeks ago on Friday. Jewelry, televisions, and a computer were some of the items taken. Witnesses did say they noticed a white van with ladders on the top sitting outside of the home that evening. Police were called and took fingerprints of the scene. A resident asked if we could put no soliciting signs at the front of the neighborhood. Ron Hess said that we cannot because it is public property. No soliciting signs may be posted on resident's personal property. If someone solicits at your home, ask to see their "City of Virginia Beach Peddler's License". They must have this to sell door to door. If you see something suspicious, take a picture of the vehicle or person(s) involved. Be vigilant and watch out for each other. We will put something regarding this in the next news
- **Website** – The website has a contact us button that allowed people to send an email to the President. John said it hadn't been used since implemented in 2012. He has sent Heather the email address and password and she is now monitoring it. She will respond to the emails from now on.
- **Garden Club/Colony Beautification** – Jenny Reed said pansies were planted and the wall was cleaned. Jenny added mulch to one of the garden beds and plans to add mulch to the other side eventually. She also is asking if there is a way to hook up a power washer to clean the wall, after it has been scrubbed. Ron Hess said there is a well with a pump in the front and a power washer can be hooked up. The water is used for the sprinklers and would have to be adjusted in order to connect the power washer. BJ Taylor knows how to do this. Jenny will need to coordinate with him, in order for him to show her how to do it.
- **Council of Civic Organizations** – No report. Everett Milteer will attend the meetings as the CCCL representative.

- **Welcome Committee** – No report. Several residents stated that many people have moved into the neighborhood.
- **4th of July** – The event had a great turnout. We were under budget for the event. Cheryl Noyse would like to recognize the resident who has lived in the neighborhood the longest. She suggested having them ride in a car during the parade. George Coleman mentioned that at one point the oldest and youngest resident were recognized at the party and were given savings bonds. Heather Serio suggested looking into getting a port-a-potty for the party. She also suggested having a hand washing station for clean up after the egg toss.
- **Halloween**—April Brown was not present, but emailed a report showing where we are at with volunteers. Most things have been taken care of by her. She is still looking for volunteers to help decorate the trailer and set up and clean up the event. Frank Gurdziel, Jenny Reed and Heather Serio volunteered to distribute the flyers once they are printed. Steve Vigus volunteered to decorate the trailer. Heather will talk to April to find out where to pick up the flyers.
- **Dredging** – Frank Gurdziel said the city has decided to submit the dredging application, even though we are waiting for 6 residents to sign their rights of property. The city is not interested in taking legal action against them. Those affected by the 6 residents will not be included in the application. If the 6 residents sign the rights of property, the city will resubmit an application for those properties to be included in the dredging. Over 85% of the project will move forward, and they are hoping to pick up the rest at some point.
- **Newsletter** – This newsletter was missing some advertisements and photos, but not any important information.
- **Directory** – The directory is in process. It should be at print right now.

Old Business:

- Front entrance – The money set aside for the front entrance project was used to cut down a tree before the 4th of July party. The front entrance makeover will be tabled for the rest of the fiscal year.

New Business:

- Elections will take place at the next meeting, which will be held on January __. Frank Gurdziel and Heather Serio were named for the nomination committee at the last board meeting. They have come up with nominations for each position that needs to be filled. Jenny Reed has been nominated for President. BJ Taylor and Ron Hess have been nominated to stay in their Board of Director positions. If Jenny is elected President, a Board of Director position will open up. Frank and Heather have someone in mind for the position and will contact them to see if they want to fill the position.

Additional comments-

Frank Gurdziel said he was disappointed that we still have so many people who have not paid their dues.

Cheryl Noyes mentioned that Heather Serio had suggested renting out the tents, tables, and chairs that the colony owns. If these items were to be rented out, someone would need to be in charge of checking the items in and out and checking for damages. It was suggested that there would be a deposit and if you wanted to rent the items, you would have to be current on your dues. Steve Vigus volunteers to be in charge of keeping track of the tents, tables, and chairs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Serio
Secretary