

Chesapeake Colony Civic League Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 by President Nancy May

Minutes from the January 13, 2018 meeting provided and were approved without reading.

Treasurer's Report-As of 4/24/2018 the checking account balance was [REDACTED] savings account balance was [REDACTED] and the scholarship fund was [REDACTED]. One resident had paid dues ahead for 2019, 10 have paid 2018 dues and 1 has paid 2017 dues in arrears. Treasurer's report was approved without changes.

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Committee Reports

- Security-Several car break-ins were reported. Reminder to lock your doors! The suspects were caught and quite a bit of the stolen items were returned to residents. There has been a man knocking on residents' doors with a story about running out of gas and asking for money. Copper pipes were stolen from vacant home on Chester Forest. Be diligent and ask questions or report it if you see any suspicious activity.
- Block Captains-There have been several changes in Block Captains. Joan Shoemaker has temporarily taken over for Ron Hess as the head of the block captains. It is unknown at this time if it will be permanent. In addition there are 3 new block captains. The Grants have taken over for Ken Stafford on Chesapeake Trail (Moved). Steve Mangum has taken over for Ann Gurdziel and Tim Clark has taken over for Cathy Vorona.
- Roster/Directory-April Brown will take over for Ron Hess. An updated roster will be printed sometime this year. Possibly in the fall.
- Dredging-Chris Ollice gave the report for Frank Gurdziel. 90% of the dredge committee met with the city and the engineering firm. The city expects to get their notice to proceed, possibly by Friday. The company doing the dredging is Docks of the Bay. They have an excellent reputation, especially with being on time and with no cost over runs. They are available to do

bulkhead work for those who need it for the dredging. Work is expected to start in late May or early June. All said, the pre-dredge, work and post dredge should take between 180 and 270 days. They will start on the west side on Queen Anne with the transfer station and possibly stand up the Wolf's Neck station at the same time. They will have a self-propelled larger rig as well as a smaller rig. Langley and MacDonald will retake measurements prior to the start. They have accounted for 4 feet at low tide, but have worked an additional 6 inches into the calculations. They will do an analysis prior to the start and after the conclusion of the dredge. The whole amount is expected to be 54,000 yards. If they haven't met the depths, they will have to go back in. Those getting private dredging will have to remove the cross bars from their boat lifts.

- Scholarships-May 20 is the deadline. Scholarship is merit based, not need based. Cindy Hiltz to take over for Jennifer Coleman as the head of this committee. There are several new volunteers to help Cindy. The winner will be announced in May.
- Garden Club / Colony Beautification-Last meeting is in May until the fall. The watering system is on. The plant sale brought in \$522.11 in profit. Plant sale chairman Gloria Gurdziel sent a nice email thanking the garden club members and volunteers for making it a success.
- Council of Civic Organizations-City is pushing mosquito control. They have a program that provides spraying in your area upon request. Information is available on the city website. In 2017 TIBS made a profit. Oceanfront improvements are not coming out of our tax money. They are taking a closer look at short-term rentals. Because it's so close to tourist season, they probably won't pick it up until fall.
- Welcome Committee-Jeanne Baker has taken over as head of this committee. There are several new volunteers to help her. They will start visiting new neighbors soon as the weather has turned for the better.
- Website-Needs updating. Please check over if you have time so we can get it updated. Looking into having an intern give it a new look and update.
- Newsletter-Newsletter went out to block captains and should be on resident's doors shortly. Deadlines are posted on the website for anyone interested in putting something in the newsletter.
- 4th of July-Mike Swirzinski has agreed to be in charge of the parade and the games. Cheryl Noyes has agreed to be in charge of the food tent.

Volunteers are always needed. Ellen Barnabe has volunteered to do ticket sales.

- Party Shed-April Brown to take over for Heather Serio.

Old Business

- Painting stop signs & posts-Nancy posted a notice on NextDoor asking for help from everyone on this project. She got responses from Tracey Ousley, Sally Baker, Kristi Smeeton and Jennifer Bowen. Thank you to those ladies. Summertime is the time to do the project. If we could get one person per street to spearhead it would go very quickly. The Civic League will provide the supplies if the neighbors will supply the man power.

New Business

- Clean the Bay Day – June 2. Not participating this year. Nancy posted a notice on NextDoor to gauge interest and there was no reponse.
- Trimming the holly tree-Received a quote for \$775 to trim the tree by an arborist. April will get 2 more quotes, but it was approved as an expense up to the amount of the quote already received.

Floor Open for Comments-No additional comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.