

Chesapeake Beach Civic League

General Meeting Minutes of 15 March 2007

- 1) The meeting was **called to order** at 7:11 p.m.
- 2) **In attendance** at the meeting were the following officers and committee chairs:
President – Steve Kohler
Vice President pro-temp, Historian and BAC Liaison – Wally Damon
Adopt-A-Street/Waterway Committee Chair – Darryl Stubbs
Architectural Preservation & Zoning Committee Co-Chair – Mark Walker
Membership Committee Chair – Kathy Damon
Pleasure House Lake Committee Chair – Heidi Janicki
Safety & Neighborhood Watch – Doug Barner
SDCC Liaison – Daphne Atkins
Also in attendance were 33 other voting members, for a total of 41 voting members
- 3) President Kohler **opened** the meeting and **welcomed** the members in attendance.
- 4) The **Pledge of Allegiance** was said.
- 5) **Old Business:** President Kohler announced that Wally Damon has been appointed as the Vice President pro-temp and that he is interested in filling the position permanently. A vote was taken, and Wally Damon was unanimously elected as Vice President.
- 6) **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Katherine Dutlinger was absent, but President Kohler read the latest bank balance.
- 7) **Secretary's Report:** Secretary Bob Costello was absent, but the minutes from the February 15, 2006 Working Meeting were read. The minutes were approved for the record.
- 8) **Announcements** – President Kohler made the following announcements:
 - a) Meeting for Alternate Solution for Pleasure House Point, Saturday March 24th 10 -11 am, Ocean Park Rescue Hall
 - b) Bayfront Town Hall Meeting, Monday March 26th 7:30-9:30 pm, Bay Lake United Methodist Church, 4300 Shore Drive
 - c) Chesapeake Bay Foundation looking for summer intern
 - d) Identity Theft Seminar
 - e) Anchor Inn Boatel turning into condos?
 - f) Indigo Dunes discussion (see old business)
 - g) Darryl Stubbs has most of the "poop boxes" put up around the neighborhood, Tom Treesh and friends have been constructing them and donating them to CB
 - h) parts of 20 ft. strip around Lake Joyce has been designated "excess property" and issue was passed by City Council to approve to sell to developer to build home for disabled person- objection to precedent was moved and seconded, passed and established by CBCL
- 9) **New Business:**
 - a) An Ice Cream Parlor will be opened and operated by Laurie and Joel Richards, managers of the Green Parrot, and their chef, John Jarvis. It will serve a deli-style menu and ice cream, with counter service and delivery only, no dine-in, although they will have 4-6 picnic tables outside. It will be called the Brown Dog Deli, will be located at former Ron Paul Salon location, and will offer a 10% member discount. It will be open year-round, 8am - 8pm and will offer delivery to Chic's Beach.
 - b) Steve and Heidi attended the Beaches and Waterways city meeting, issue regarding sand replenishment for Chesapeake Beach will depend on special services districting which will levy tax on specific homes within certain distance from bay. City still working out issues.
- 10) **Committee Reports:**
 - a) Adopt-A-Street/Waterway: Darryl Stubbs indicated that a clean-up is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 17th. Meet at Lookout Rd. and Pleasure House Rd. He will be unable to attend the clean-up due to a prior commitment. Matt Baumgarten volunteered to lead the clean-up.
 - b) Architectural Preservation & Zoning:
 - i) Mark Walker reported the following:

- (1) Concerning the former Grandy property, located at the west end of Lookout Road, Rich Gregor, the lawyer for the new owner, is being "heavy-handed" trying to get 4 lots out of parcel and asking for a 10 ft variance. A neighbor of the property did not agree to this. Mark thinks the most they can get without a variance is 2 flag lots. A motion to oppose any variance was made, seconded and passed.
- (2) Concerning proposed changes to R5R zoning, he is working with Tidewater Building Association and North End Civic League to make a win-win situation as to design (no Big Box construction) for lots deeded after 1974 that are non-conforming lots smaller than 50x100ft. A presentation will be made to the Planning Committee, date tbd.
- ii) A meeting attendee brought up the issue of the house at 4490 Lauderdale, which seems to be used as boarding house. Others attendees recommended reporting the activity to the City Housing and Neighborhood Preservation Department.
- c) Bay Front Advisory Committee: Wally Damon reported that the First quarterly Citizen Input meeting was held today, on March 15th.
- d) Block Captains: Laura Watrous submitted the following report via President Kohler: If you have an extra 30 minutes every other month and would be willing to deliver newsletters to one of the following streets, please contact her at 460-6667:
 - i) 4600 Block of Ocean View Ave.
 - ii) Hollis Rd
 - iii) Bay Quarter Court Condos
 - iv) Secure Court
 - v) Vantage Point
- e) Business Liaisons: Not present.
- f) CCO Representative: *Position Vacant*
- g) Historian: Nothing to report.
- h) Meeting Coordinator: Nothing to report.
- i) Membership: Kathy Damon reported that we have 101 households and 166 total members to date.
- j) Newsletter: Kim Schmidt had nothing to report.
- k) Pleasure House Lake: Heidi Janicki reported the following:
 - i) Based on the survey of the area at the end of Pleasure House Road, the placement of the community sign had to be moved to behind the guard rail. The Encroachment Application to place the sign on city-owned property was submitted to the Public Works Real Estate office on March 13th with the \$250 application fee. Processing takes 8 to 12 weeks.
 - ii) Inquiries have been made about water quality testing and options for improving water quality (solar-powered aerators) - waiting for more information from the city.
 - iii) Regarding summertime parking issues near the beach around Pleasure House Lake, the city manager's office is not going to recommend that the permit parking program be implemented at this time. However, existing regulations for parking at city-owned parks is that there be no parking after dark.
 - iv) The city is requiring authentication of the President of CBCL to sign legal forms (e.g., encroachment application for sign). A motion made, seconded, and passed to allow Steve Kohler to sign this application as president.
- l) Pride In Community: Not present, but President Kohler reported that the PIC Committee has been inactive due to extenuating circumstances and that they expect to be back and to have selections by next meeting.
- m) Safety & Neighborhood Watch: Doug Barner reported the following:
 - i) 600 people attended a citywide forum on gang activity. 250 were turned away due to no space available.
 - ii) Members at a recent CBCL meeting had reported graffiti on the bay bulkhead, but it was determined that this was not evidence of gangs.
- n) Shore Drive Community Coalition:
 - i) Daphne Atkins reported the following:
 - (1) The upcoming Bayfront Town Hall meeting to be held at the Baylake Pines Methodist Church would allot 30 minutes to Indigo Dunes, 30 minutes to Shore Drive safety, 15 minutes to sand issues, and 45 minutes to other issues.
 - (2) On May 3rd, the Wetlands board would be hearing the Indigo Dunes issue.

- (3) We should also call Louis Jones regarding new person on the Planning Commission, David Redmond, who works for the Sandler Brothers, who are trying to develop Indigo Dunes—a definite conflict of interest!
 - (4) If anyone would like to volunteer for any city committee, Planning, etc, just go to www.vbgov.com, click on committees or commissions, and apply to serve on committee.
 - ii) Additionally, the following updates were reported from the SDCC website:
 - (1) Town Hall Meeting March 26th 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Bay Lake United Methodist Church.
 - (2) Lynnhaven River Now Oyster Roast April 21st.
 - (3) Proposed Indigo Dunes project **not** to be heard at CBPA meeting March 26th.
 - (4) Marina Shores New Apartments proposal appears to violate RPA buffers.
 - o) Webmaster: Not present.
- 11) The **meeting adjourned** at 8:42.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Costello,
CBCL Secretary