# Minutes - CCL Meeting – 6:30 PM Monday, October 7, 2019 VB Rescue Squad, Station 14 Conference Room 740 Virginia Beach Boulevard Virginia Beach, VA 23451

# 1835 – Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call / Quorum Determination

<u>Present</u>: Mike Kelly, Connie Agresti, Bill Garvey, Cheryl Garvey, Jim Skarbek, Bob Lougen, Katie Ripberger, Larry Kurtz, Milt Martin, and Amber Torgerson

Not Present: Jen Alex, Sandy Rosenberg, and Claire Yoder,

- 1. Approval of prior meeting notes Bob made motion, Bill G seconded. Motion carries
- 2. Guest Speaker Councilman Guy Tower spoke for an hour

## 3. Treasurer's Report (Jim Skarbeck)

- Review and update on spending. Of note is a shortfall of approximately \$3,100 for membership dues. This appears to be a combination of reduced membership (down approximately 60 people from last year) and a reduction in the annual dues rate. Contact Jim Skarbeck for copy of report.
- Security funding \$1,500 short for remaining hours for the year (approximately 41.5 hours.)
  The solution will probably a slight reduction in hours for November and December and meeting the shortfall from excess security funds from prior years.
- A more thorough review will be conducted at the December meeting in order to set planning guidance for the 2020 budget.
- Motion to accept report Connie, seconded by Amber. Motion passes

# 4. Logo Wear (Katie Ripberger)

• \$258 revenue from Artisans at the Beach event

#### 5. Welcome Wagon (Bill Garvey)

Five baskets given out, with 2 more to give.

### 6. Beach Nourishment/Restoration (Mike Kelly)

US Army Corps of Engineers Solicitation is scheduled to be released by the end of October.
 They anticipate contract award before the holidays, and the work to be conducted between February and May.

# 7. Security/CAC/VBCCO (Connie Agresti)

- There have been a number of issues with work vehicles parking incorrectly. Use nonemergency number to report.
- Dogs on the Beach committee update: Officers Lynch and others are more agreeable than last year. No more talk of single dog only beach. Increased incidents reported of animal events (mostly at the oceanfront).
- Connie suggested placing dedicated page in VB welcome guide for dog rules, sun safety and water safety. Can we put together a template for them?
- VBCCO received a questionnaire, asking about our membership numbers from 2017/2018, top 5 neighborhood issues for the city and for our neighborhood. The following response was provided:
  - o Membership 2019 361; 2018 425; 2017 444; 2016 402; 2015 426

What are the top five issues specific to your neighborhood?

- 1) Sea Level Rise and Storm Drainage
- 2) Beach Preservation and Replenishment
- 3) Short Term Rentals and Ordinance Enforcement; Preservation of Residential Community Quality of Life
- 4) Safe motor vehicle operation (speeding, stop signs); Parking violations
- 5) Oversized vehicles damaging property and infrastructure we have narrow streets, many without sidewalks

What are the top five issues your league is concerned about with the city?

- 1) Sea Level Rise and Storm Drainage
- 2) Protecting neighborhood environment/quality of life against commercial interests (i.e., short term rentals)
- 3) Reliable High-Speed Internet throughout city
- 4) Revitalization of economically depressed areas of the city (e.g., 17<sup>th</sup> Street corridor)
- 5) Alternative means of transportation (e.g., bus, light rail, scooters, ride sharing)

# 8. Membership/Directory (Bill Garvey) – Nothing Significant to Report

#### 9. Social (Amanda Robinson)

• New Realm event cost was \$305. Well attended, positive reviews, plan to do it again.

# 10. CCL Fall Ball (Katie Ripberger/Amanda Robinson)

• Katie reports that she and Cheryl went to Hunt Club and said it was filthy. They spoke with the manager, whom stated it would be cleaned and ready for the event on 11/1.

• Mike stated that we have paid the 50% deposit to Beach Bully. Jim reports that 8 people have signed up for the event. Bill G states that it is up to the board to "talk it up". Bob L will put it on constant contact with the capability to take credit card payments. Bob will also have link to reduced membership on constant contact.

## 11. Children's Programs (Amanda Robinson)

- Halloween event 10/26 at the Torgerson's 5 PM
- Photos with Santa 11/24 2-4 at the beach. 3 families signed up thus far (including my own.)

### 12. Landscaping (Cheryl Garvey)

• Called Sheldon about adding area behind Katie's backyard in public walkway; waiting on the estimate.

### 13. Website Update (Bob Lougen)

- Update about how many hits on FB page; most hits for links to Women's club and Book club. Increase of 35 followers from last month.
- Constant Contact has 483 addresses on our list. Lists of membership and those contacts are not yet synched yet. On Constant Contact, 50% of people opened the link to "Happenings at Croatan", and he can see who is opening vs not.

#### 14. Old or Unfinished Business (Amanda Robinson)

- Board Elections for 2020 (Mike Kelly)
  - Current nominee list: Kathy Donahoe, Cheryl Garvey, Larry Kurtz (Incumbent), Bob Lougen (Incumbent), John Mannarino, Katie Ripberger (Incumbent), Amanda Robinson (Incumbent), and Patricia Zuraw

#### 15. New Business - None

2030 – Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 2 December 2019 at 6:30 PM

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ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND