

Minutes - CCL Meeting – 6:30 PM Monday, October 4, 2021
Via Zoom

Present: Mike Kelly, Bob Lougen, Connie Agresti, Amanda Robinson, Kathy Donahoe, Larry Kurtz, Amber Torgerson, Jen Alex, Cheryl Garvey, and Bill Garvey

Absent: Patricia Zuraw, Jim Skarbek, Katie Ripberger, Nancy Purkey

1. Call to order / Roll Call / Quorum Determination
2. September meeting minutes approved.
 - Newsletter articles must be to Kathy Donahoe by COB, Friday, October 8th.
 - Kathy proposes that we send Marian a token of appreciation for putting the newsletter together for a long time. Amber seconds the motion. Kathy will check with her daughter for gift suggestions.
3. Old or Unfinished Business (Amanda Robinson)
 - a. End of Summer Party - Overall, the event was a great success. Review focused on problem areas and items to consider for next time.
 - Lack of volunteers
 - Kathy heard that people reported that they offered to help and were turned down or not contacted.
 - Cheryl suggests that people that “work” the party get a discount or free admission
 - Bob processed on-site for credit card payments, which was successful
 - Mike noted that if we cannot get Rick Zuraw to help next year, we will have to find another trailer for the beer and wine delivery.
 - Cheryl contacted a manager from Harris Teeter that can deliver ice and beer same day. ABC has restrictions on how much can be served (2 kegs worth)
 - Suggestion for beer truck, but cost would be an issue
 - Question regarding free tickets to guests. Mike offered free tickets to Cheryl McLeskey and her guests, but she did not take advantage. For those new to the neighborhood, Cheryl has allowed us to use her property for the Spring Fling. Mike usually invites Council members and local politicians. Our previous neighborhood postal worker (Smitty) was given a free ticket based on a request to the Board. We will look at that more carefully for future events.
 - b. Croatan Bridge Rebuild
 - City staff has all necessary paperwork, and we are waiting for their approval.
 - Once approved and one more signature from Mike, it will get on City Council agenda.
 - The previous head of the Department of Public Works (Acting) had agreed to put the Christine Dr. Bridge under city maintenance, and the new head was not receptive to that information. Recently it was stated that the repair work was completed, when in fact it was not. Mike is following up with the City to see about the disconnect.
 - Ft. Raleigh bridge surveys and permit fees are approximately \$1800., so far. It is unknown the exact cost for materials, but the guesstimate is \$1500. The bulk of the cost will be for the handicap ramp dig out (rental of machinery) and other supplies, possibly an additional \$5500.
 - Christine Bridge needs board repairs which may cost several hundred dollars.
 - Mike suggests that if City does not take care of Christine repairs that CCL take care of it.
 - Bob thanks Mike for all the time spent contacting City and others to coordinate the replacement of the Ft. Raleigh bridge

- c. Board Elections / Annual Meeting
 - The date is Friday, November 6:00 - 9:00 PM with annual meeting and voting to occur at 7 PM. New Realm room and half patio is \$2000 minimum.
 - 422 members currently, so the quorum must be a minimum of 85 members voting.
 - The plan is to notify people and get their proxies if they are not attending in person.
 - Past Director nominees include Kathy Donahoe, Cheryl Garvey, Bob Lougen, Katie Ripberger, and Amanda Robinson. New nominees include Frank Borum, Sharon Heath, and Bill Wren. Mike Heffelfinger has also expressed interest and we are awaiting confirmation.
- d. City of VB owner responsibilities will be emailed from Cheryl to Mike to post in part on Newsletter and on website.
- 4. Treasurer's Report (Jim Skarbeck)
 - Jim not present, so Mike will ask for end of summer report/summary.
 - Small shortfall with security - Mike suggested that Connie consider sending a note to the members for additional donations.
- 5. Security/CAC/VBOCC (Connie Agresti)
 - News update sent to members
 - October is fire safety month
 - Call 911 when there are burglary incidents and when being followed.
 - Reminder about school and bus safety
 - "Fall Back" time change is on 11/7 - darker earlier, wear light or reflective clothing to be safe in the evening.
 - Beach parking lot closes at 5
 - Pick up after dogs
 - VB works replacing "See click fix"
 - CPR training is available for free
 - COVID Vaccines are being given by contract workers instead of volunteers
 - Guest speaker at CAC is Jada Lee, scheduled on 10/13 at 7 PM. If you are frustrated with the 911 and 311 call centers, please attend.
 - City of Virginia Beach Bond Referendums – The election on November 2 Half a billion dollar will include a flood protection program bond referendum that will determine whether City Council should increase the real estate tax rate to fund flood protection projects. This is just phase one of flood protection effort. Bond is for \$0.5 Billion.
 - Cheryl states that "Reduce Speed" signage has changed going north on General Booth Blvd. We will check it out.
 - When built, the new gate for State Military Reservation (SMR) (Historically known as Camp Pendleton,) will include a traffic light. We have asked the City Public Works Department to tell us how that will affect traffic coming out of Croatan.
 - Connie will ask for flashing lights and reflective crosswalk at neighborhood entrance.
 - Traffic Management is speaking at the CAC on January 12, 2022. Mike will send a letter to the City Manager, Public Works, and the City Council regarding traffic concerns. Mike asks BOD to send him their concerns and topics to address.
- 6. Membership (Lougen and Kelly) - 422 individual members, (227 households)
- 7. Welcome Wagon (Cheryl Garvey) - NSTR

8. Website Update (Bob Lougen) - Last 90 days 2600 people checked website end of summer parking, beach parking and STRs were mostly visited.
9. Landscaping (Cheryl Garvey)
 - Cheryl has hired a new company but is unsatisfied with their work.
 - She will contact a neighbor to see if he can take care of the job and be paid by CCL out of the landscape budget.
 - Jim Perriello used blower around front entrance last week and did a great job. However, as expected in the Fall, the pine needles were back very quickly.
 - Mike expressed concerns about bushes near crosswalk and whether City should be contacted again. Cheryl spoke with someone from the City, and he stated that he is understaffed. He/the City will get to it as soon as possible.
10. Beach Nourishment/Restoration (Mike Kelly) - Contract awarded and contract is being negotiated for execution dates. Once City has information we will be informed. They will also present information to community, if requested.
11. Social and Children's Programs (Amanda Robinson / Katie Ripberger)
 - In addition to the November 12 Annual meeting, a Halloween event will be held for the neighborhood children on Sunday, October 31st. It will begin around Croatan Hills Dr at 4:30. There will be a costume contest at 5 with prizes; parade to follow around Croatan Hills and VA Dare. The first 50 kids will get "goodie" bags.
12. Logo Wear (Katie Ripberger)
 - Collected \$1498 in sales at the EOS party
 - List of remaining available items will be placed on the newsletter for sale.
13. New Business
 - Condolence cards sent for Frank Weller and for Barbara Grufferman's mother. (both passed.)
 - Food for thought- should the end of summer type event replace the annual meeting?
 - Initial feedback favors event at a venue that takes care of most of work.
 - What will CCL objectives be for 2022?

Next meeting: Monday, November 1st at 6:30 PM.
Location TBD