

Croatan Civic League

Meeting Minutes 7:00 PM Monday, May 4th 2015

Virginia Beach Rescue Squad Building, 740 Virginia Beach Blvd, Virginia Beach VA

- 1.0 7:00 Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call/ Quorum Determination/Introduction
8 of 9 Board members were present.
Bill Garvey, George Horvath, Martha Davenport, Regina Oswalt, Vince Donlon, Larry Kurtz, Debra Kurtz, Jim Skarbek were present. Absent: Katie Ripberger.
- 2.0 7:05 Approval of prior meeting notes – April 6 meeting minutes, (Katie Ripberger). The notes were circulated at the meeting and tabled until next meeting for approval.
- 3.0 7:10 Treasurers Report /2015 Budget report (Jim Skarbek)
Jim presented his report which detailed all expenditures compared to budget. \$1810 deposited since last meeting and an additional \$970 in the security fund. All accounts balanced. Motion by George Horvath to approve the report, seconded by Martha Davenport and passed.
- 4.0 7:20 Liaison to the City Departments and outside concerns
Committee Reports: Lake Christie report, etc
Recommendation was made by Ken Jobe to submit a letter to the Mayor of Virginia Beach expressing the Board concern regarding the Beach erosion situation. Motion by : George Horvath, seconded by Debra Kurtz and passed unanimously to send a letter. Bill Garvey will ask Ken to draft a letter and have Jack Hurley edit and then distribute by email to the board for review and approval.
- 5.0 7:30 Spring Fling (Larry / Debbie Kurtz)
The lease for the point is in process, as is the city permit and alcohol permit. Larry reported that Debbie completed a 17 page application for the city permit and is waiting on approval.
A committee meeting is planned for next Tuesday at 7 pm to finalize plans. The Bartenders have been retained. A Motion was made to spend \$40 to buy two liquid Dispensers. Motion passed.
- 6.0 8:10 Security/Community Patrol (George Horvath)
George reported on recent incidents involving petty crime in the neighborhood. Only one incident involved stolen property from a residence yard. The fraternity weekend resulted in two Croatan homes being rented with one have over 100 vehicles in front of the home on Fort Raleigh. Local Police managed the situation well with limited neighborhood disruption.
- 7.0 8:20 Membership/Directory (Martha Davenport)
165 members are paid with 7 new members. This number is behind last year's total at this time. Martha has made plans to send out flyers to encourage participation.
- 8.0 8:30 Old or Unfinished Business (Newsletter, ETC)
Rock n Roll Marathon – Cheryl Garvey and Martha Davenport volunteered to coordinate this year's event.

9.0 8:40 New Business (Tim Moody/New Neighborhood E-Mail Director, Croatan's Beach weekend)

Tim Moody briefed the board on the issues involved in sending mass emails to the civic league members. All recognized the tremendous effort Sylvia Vance had expended in maintaining communication with the neighborhood and Tim's desire to set up a system that would be easier to maintain in the future. The issue is current technology to limit spam has complicated the sending of mass emails. His suggestion was to use our existing web site that was designed to be able to be upgraded to perform this task but requires considerable man hours to initially set up. Also discussed was the limitation of using Nextdoor as an alternative. Tim volunteered his clerical staff to assist with this effort if the board chooses to accept his recommendation. Our existing Web technical provider, Chris Lex is also participating in this effort. **Motion made by: Regina Oswald, Seconded by Martha Davenport and passed unanimously: Approve Croatan Civic league to support the effort to update our current Website to allow for mass emails by the neighborhood E-mail Director and to ask the neighbors to sign up by entering their name and email address in the site.** Tim Moody will then update the remaining names and maintain the process which will allow future volunteers for the E-mail Director role to easily maintain. Minor expenditures including payments to Chris Lex will be forwarded to the treasurer. All present were very appreciative for the research and effort by Mr. Moody on this project.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 6th, 2015

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND, PLEASE PARK IN THE LIBRARY PARKING LOT

Respectfully Submitted,

Vince Donlon, Secretary