

**Croatan Civic League Meeting Minutes  
February 1, 2016**

**Virginia Beach Rescue Squad Building**

7:00 pm-call to order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call/Quorum Determination.

10 of 11 Board Members were present: Bill Garvey, Martha Davenport, Katie Ripberger, Vince Donlon, Amanda Robinson, Bob Lougen, Billy Moore, Larry Kurtz, Deborah Kurtz and Regina Oswalt.

1.0 Approval of prior meeting notes-January 4th notes were approved as distributed. (Motion Debra Kurtz, second Bob Lougen, motion: passed)

2.0 Treasurer report - Billy Moore - Billy presented his analysis of past years revenue and expenses. He emphasized transparency as he will provide this level of detail reporting and make available on a regular basis and by request from all board members or any resident of Croatan. Billy stated that the savings account balance is \$30k. He then presented the proposed budget for 2016 and explained the rationale for each line item. After discussion, motion by Regina Oswalt, second Katie Ripberger to accept the proposed 2016 budget as presented. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Mr. Moore will email budget, and checking account, savings account and security fund details to all board members. Significant items included in his presentation included his plan to save \$3,000 on the printing of the directory and to eliminate the storage facility cost. The budget is a financial plan that is subject to modification and specific project approval by the board.

3.0 Liaison to the City Departments and outside concerns- Ken Jobe reported on a City Council proposed ordinance proposed by Ms. Henley defining Event Facilities and setting forth regulations. The board discussed and felt it had limited impact on our neighborhood as it only applied to rental properties having events of more than 75 people and did not apply to individual owned homes. Some suggested wording changes were given to Mr. Jobe to pass along to Council. Several spoke to their understanding that this has limited potential for any effect on our neighborhood. The City Attorney has offered to present at our next meeting if we were interested. Motion by Regina Oswalt, NOT to invite the City Attorney as it was not necessary. Motion passed (5-4 vote).

4.0 Welcome Wagon- no report.

5.0 Security- Mike Kelly written report indicated that 15 hours were provided by Officer Noah and that same amount is planned for the next few months. No significant events were reported.

6.0 Beach Erosion/Improvement Project: Mr. Kelly written report stated that a draft permit has been received and submitted to pump sand on the South Side. He thought it would take several weeks in review for a decision to be rendered. Ocean front property owners would receive a letter describing any changes to be made prior to implementation. Mr. Jobe felt there would be no change in the dredging process or in funding new dredge equipment this year. Ken

felt the permanent solution was on a very slow track for approval or implementation and was not optimistic for the neighborhood to reach our desired results.

7.0 Membership/Directory- Efforts to collect 2016 dues for Membership has begun. Martha Davenport reported 40 residence have paid with 2 being new members with newsletter inserts, email requests, and phone bank campaigns being planned. An article was suggested to make it clear that all neighbors receive the newsletter but that joining the Civic League by paying dues was being requested. While an excellent start, plans are being made for an aggressive campaign this year. Last year we had 388 members out of 518 addresses. The yard sign has been effective and it was suggested forms be attached to the sign for those that wish to pick up a form. Martha will implement the suggestion and also work on a survey monkey to obtain neighborhood input into board activities and as a reminder. Billy Moore suggested additional directories with reminders be delivered to homes that have the potential to join.

8.0 Spring Fling- Bill reported he has applied for the use of the site, the tent has been reserved and the barbecue vendor arranged. A proposal with details and suggested fee for residents will be presented and voted on at the March 7th meeting. Saturday June 4th is the date and it does not conflict with harborfest this year.

9.0 New Business- Reginia suggested an inventory be prepared on the storage items being relocated to Mr. Moore's home.

10.0 Next Meeting- March 7th.  
Meeting adjourned 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Vince Donlon, Secretary