**LAKE SHORES CIVIC LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: May 22, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Shelton Park Elementary School. - Refreshments were served. Nineteen neighbors signed in. Date & time of our next General Meeting to be announced.

**Our Purpose**

The purpose of this organization shall be to bring together for mutual benefit, those persons who are interested in civic betterment of any kind. It shall be operated along democratic lines, having no political affiliation, and being non-sectarian in the matter of religion

**Opening**

President Jim opened the meeting & welcomed our guests:

Bobby Dyer, Mayor, Virginia Beach

Captain Reo Hatfield, Third Precinct Captain, Virginia Beach

Mark A. Johnson, P.E., Director, Department of Public Works, Virginia Beach

Thomas M. Leahy, III, P.E., Deputy City Manager, Virginia Beach

Delegate Chris Stolle, M.D., Delegate from the 83rd House District of Virginia

Patrick A. Dellinger, Campaign Manager for Delegate Stolle

& all in attendance.

Member Mr. Pogue led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Mayor Dyer:**

Mayor Dyer is in his sixth month as mayor.

Served in Marine Corps

Physical therapist

Served on City Council for 14 years Stumpy Lake District

Virginia Beach has the finest schools in the Commonwealth & the country.

People are the strength of Virginia Beach.

Virginia Beach is the safest city in the Commonwealth & Nation.

Dial 911 - Personnel are on call 24/7 – Fire, ambulance, Public Works

We are a great vibrant city.

We, the City, ask for your input.

In every District will hold Town Hall meetings to “Meet the Mayor.”

Two important issues: Storm Water & Sea Level Rise

Taxes were raised to address storm water.

Home value is affected by storm water & sea level rise.

More new businesses are locating in Virginia Beach.

People & communities make cities great.

As Mayor: a proclamation Annual “Do Good Day” in honor of Paige Neubauer, a young lady killed in an auto accident.

Do Good Day: visit nursing homes, etc.

Good things are happening in our neighborhoods.

Virginia Beach has a state-of-the-art Fire Training Academy.

Police are trained to negotiate.

Mayor Dyer: “Works with a dedicated group of individuals.”

Every person in this city is valued.

Healthy criticism is a good thing.

Anytime you need for me to come to your Civic League meeting, I will come.

Residents of Virginia Beach do incredibly good things.

For example, the man who planned to jump from Lesner Bridge.

Questions:

Thomas Leahy:

Pump Station – Gardenwood/Diamond Springs

Formerly Director of Public Utilities

Design, Bid, Build

A water table is under the City.

The contractor struggled mightily to build the pump station.

A hole 20-to-25 feet deep was required.

Aquifer under all Virginia Beach.

Engineers & lawyers are involved.

Sound Wall – Northampton Boulevard

Requests for sound walls for seven or eight corridors.

Funding is from the City only.

Cost is $2000.00 per foot.

Estimate for sound wall along Northampton: $6,000,000.

The other seven areas: $170,000,000

We need a majority of City Council to identify funding.

Right of Way is secondary.

President Jim: The City promised to repair the berm & vegetation along Northampton.

Northampton is the gateway to the City.

Berm & vegetation is a welcoming first impression of our City.

We need City money from the Block Grant.

We ensured our sound study captured the data.

The roadbed on Northampton was raised causing audio & visual pollution – also from lights from the apartments across Northampton.

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel – a new tunnel is under construction.

Noise will be above the Federal threshold.

We are promised and do not receive.

Drainage along the corridor is poor – mosquitoes & pollution.

Trustee Rick: 647 houses are in Lake Shores.

Neighbors report truck loud engine braking & shifting gears from trucks on Northampton.

More traffic on Northampton from the Norfolk Outlet Mall & Ikea Store.

Neighbors cannot enjoy their back yards.

Delegate Stolle:

Lake Shores has requested a sound wall for two years.

The sound wall should be do-able, can be do-able.

Second VP Dave:

In 2014 residents of Lake Shores began preparations for a sound wall.

Members of Lake Shores Civic League presented our request for the sound wall to City Council on June 20, 2017.

The noise along Northampton found us, conditions on Northampton changed.

The City added the other six locations for sound walls.

Lake Shores was lumped in with the other six locations.

Lake Shores put in the hard work, helped the City, initiated sound studies.

Trustee Rick: The sound is a quality of life issue.

President Jim thanks our guests.

Mr. Pogue delights us with a joke.

**OLD BUSINESS**

President Jim reports the neighborhood Yard Sale (Lake Shores, Gardenwood, Diamond Springs) was on May 11.

The Yard Sale was a success – partnering & advertising with three neighborhoods.

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Jim invites all in attendance to take a ballot to vote for one Trustee for a three-year term.

**Minutes**

Secretary Jeanne Marie reads the minutes.

The motion was made to approve the minutes & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

**Treasurer’s Report**

03/01/19 Beginning Balance $1304.82

Deposit 0.00

Check # 1007 Cleared

Donation: Chesapeake Beach EMS 50.00

01/31/19 Ending Balance 1254.82

04/01/19 Beginning Balance $1254.82

Deposits 0.00

04/30/19 Ending Balance $1254.82.

Authorized $35.00 Yard Sale Advertising

Authorized $85.00 Fun Run SPES Donation

O/S Checks

CK # 1068 $25.00 VBCCO Dues

CK #1069 $85.00 SPES PTA Fun Run Donation

Treasurer Mary reads the report, report is approved.

The motion was made to approve the report & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

**Neighborhood Watch**

Trustee & Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Rick reports an assault on Regina & a vehicle ran into a yard.

Rick attends Third Precinct Citizens Advisory Committee “CAC” meetings at Williams Farm.

Neighbors must look out for each other.

**Adopt a Street**

Coordinator Jack reports an increase in snakes in our area – be careful.

The motion was made to clean the street on June 1 instead of on May 27 due to Memorial Day Weekend & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

We will meet at the Pump House on Jack Frost Road on Saturday, June 1, at 9:00 a.m.

**Shelton Park Elementary School Fun Run on May 31**

Lake Shores Civic League membership approved $85.00 from our treasury to pay for shoe tags for students participating in the Fun Run.

We encourage ongoing commitment to the School.

**Speakers**

President Jim: Perhaps a speaker from the City recycling program or Parks & Recreation.

All are invited to contact Jim with recommendations re: speakers.

The Civic League will improve the signs placed at the entrances to Lake Shores.

We will ask Shelton Park Elementary School to announce our meetings on their marquee.

Recommend changing our meetings from Tuesday to Wednesday evening to allow members

of City Council to attend.

President Jim will contact the School & Principal Brewer re: General Meetings on Wednesdays.

President Jim encourages cooperation among our neighborhoods.

Neighbors in Gardenwood & Diamond Springs have the same concerns in addition to the pump house construction.

Member Paul recommends a pamphlet from the City re: recycling.

Member Paul proposes the Civic League approve a donation for the Bayside High School All Night Grad Party.

The ballots are counted: Trustee Corrie is re-elected for a three-year term.

The motion was made to approve a donation of $50.00 (same as for 2018) & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

The motion was made to adjourn & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jeanne Marie Macdonald*

Secretary