**LAKE SHORES CIVIC LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: November 20, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Shelton Park Elementary School. Refreshments were served. Fourteen neighbors are signed in. Date & time of our next General Meeting is January 15, 2020.

**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 then invited Mr. Frank Pogue to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Pogue then delighted us with a joke.

President Jim introduces our guest speaker Kathy Russell.

From Ms. Russell’s business card:

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**Earn points for recycling. Trade points for rewards.**

**Recycling Perks, You Recycle We Reward**

**RecyclingPerks.com**

Ms. Russell attended the meeting re: the recycling article in the Virginian-Pilot.

Simple Recycling: paper, bottles, cans, cardboard (clean cardboard)

Paper: magazines, junk mail, writing paper

Wax-coated paper not recyclable.

“When in doubt, throw it out.”

Cartons were added several years ago.

Cups are not recyclable.

Shiny advertisements, cereal boxes, paper with staples & tape, books with hard bound covers removed

are recyclable.

Shredded paper not recyclable.

Trash in the black trash can is taken to the Waste to Energy Plant in Portsmouth.

Aluminum & metal cans stay in the U.S.

Foil is not recyclable, can be a contaminant.

Bottles with a spout are recyclable: natural milk, glass, soda, water, shampoo, detergent.

Bottles containing poison, with cross bones, & sharps/needles are not recyclable.

Recycle plastic bags by donating to thrift stores or taking to recycling bins at stores such as Food Lion.

Plastic bags are not recycled at TFC as the bags tangle in the “stars” - mechanism in the machinery.

Tanglers: bubble wrap & newspapers in plastic wrap.

Leave caps on or off of bottles – requirement keeps changing.

Recycle pump bottles without the pump top.

Recycle paper egg cartons – Styrofoam & clamshell not recyclable.

Recycle mayonnaise jars.

The machinery reads the photo then splits the recyclables into proper receptacle.

Recyclables are hand sorted in the Chester Facility.

Two magnets in the Plant pick up metals: ferrous & non-ferrous.

Glass is ground as cover for the landfill, all else is baled.

The most important step we can take is to ban plastic bags.

In Washington D.C., a five-cent tax for plastic bags.

Avoid single-use containers such as bags & straws.

Talk to the Legislature.

Glass is highly reusable.

Neighbors are invited to a field trip to the recycling plant; Mondays are best for Ms. Russell.

The field trip begins with a video then walk to the Plant.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Minutes**

Secretary Jeanne Marie reads the minutes.

Minutes are corrected: The sinking of the U.S.S. Perry was on September 13 not September 14

as recorded.

The motion was made to approve the minutes & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

**Treasurer’s Report**

08/31/19 Beginning Balance $1087.82

Deposits 0.00

Checks 0.00

Ending Balance 1087.82

09/30/19 Beginning Balance $1087.82

10/02/19 Deposits (Dues) +100.00

1187.82

Checks 0.00

10/31/19 Ending Balance 1187.82

President Jim 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/Crime Report**

Second VP Dave reads the report.

Three vehicles were broken into on Halloween.

Please lock car doors.

**Adopt a Street**

If no rain, we will meet on Saturday, November 23, at 9:00 a.m. at the Pump House on Jack Frost.

If rain, re-schedule to December 7 due to Thanksgiving weekend.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Trunk or Treat**

President Jim thanks all in the Civic League who helped with Trunk or Treat at Shelton Park Elementary School.

President Jim read the thank you letter to Lake Shores Civic League from the Shelton Park Trunk

or Treat co-chair.

The application to join the Shelton Park PTA is on our website: lakeshores.org.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Food Drive**

President Jim thanks all who contributed to the Food Drive.

Donations may be placed in the collection container on the Brinkman’s front porch until Sunday.

Donations will be taken to Pembroke Mall to the Mayflower Group.

Lake Shores Civic League was thanked on the air.

Other locations for drop off of food are in the City – an opportunity to donate food stocked during hurricane season.

President Jim suggests Lake Shores Civic League hold another food drive in May.

The Food Bank needs food year-round.

**Dominion Energy Update**

Easement Status – 180 more easements are needed.

Underground power is installed on private property, not City property.

The Civic League will post the time line on Next Door as a PDF.

**Speakers**

All are invited to recommend speakers.

Perhaps invite Parks & Rec, new Council members, new Delegate.

Send suggestions for speakers to Jim, Craig, or Dave.

**Christmas Lights Contest**

No contest this year due to lack of interest in neighborhood last year.

If anyone in Lake Shores is interested in competing next year, let the Civic League know.

**Elections**

Trustees are the committee; elections begin in January 2020.

Trustees provide the names of candidates.

If interested in an office, inform the Trustees.

**Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO)**

Members of the VBCCO will funnel information from Civic Leagues to City Council.

Of special interest is the Dome site.

VBCCO provides a survey from Civic Leagues to City Council.

Lake Shores must return the survey to Mayor Dyer.

The Sound Wall is most important to Lake Shores.

Second VP Dave is waiting to facilitate discussion re: The Sound Wall.

Acting City Manager, Tom Leahy, will attend the VBCCO meeting in December.

https://www.vbgov.com/Government/departments/city-manager/Pages/default.aspx

**Census**

Printed info re: Census for 2020 was available during the meeting.

Census takers earn $18.00 per hour.

The Census is taken every ten years.

The motion was made to adjourn & seconded.

All are in favor.

None oppose.

Motion carries

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jeanne Marie Macdonald*

Secretary