



VBCCO THE VOICE



VBCCO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:
Thursday, October 10th
7:00pm
GREAT NECK RECREATION CENTER
2521 Shorehaven Drive, 23454

Join your neighbors and listen to our speaker:

Ken Chandler, Deputy Assistant Manager

A survey was emailed to ALL email addresses listed on the vbgov.com website, under neighborhoods. This was a separate email list then the member list. This survey is also included on pages 7 & 8 in case the listing missed your email box!



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President's Corner



The leaves are changing colors and some are falling both signaling the last few months of 2019. Your VBCCO has worked hard this year to improve our effectiveness in meeting our responsibilities to the civic organizations of our great City. We have devised a handbook to assist associations in establishing an active set of bylaws and a governing body, have developed a survey to assist in identifying the needs of associations as well guidelines for members of the Board of Directors to use when they are offered the chance to meet with any civic association. We have been presented with a draft proposal for using a variety of media to improve our communications and will have an established Communications Committee before the end of this year.

There have been some challenges to face, the most recent is the resignation of Dave Hansen as the City Manager and the subsequent reorganization of the City Government. We have established new relationships with our current Acting City Manager and the Deputy City Managers and look forward to working with our Mayor, Bobby Dyer and the new city management system. There was also the resignation of Brad Sike as President of the VBCCO. It may be noted that serving on the board does provide individuals with the opportunity to better understand the organization and to grow and serve in various leadership positions.

I am humbled and deeply honored to have begun to serve as your President and look forward to working closely with our all- volunteer board of directors as we begin to plan for continued growth in membership and effectiveness in 2020.

Please consider joining, selecting a liaison to meet with us and help us to continue to improve. Each and every individual has value to add to the organization. Enjoy the beauty of the Fall season.

C. Douglas Jr.

IMPORTANT WEBSITES AND INFORMATION

VBCCO:	http://www.vbcco.org/
VA BEACH CITY SITE:	https://www.vbgov.com
WIND POWER:	https://va4wind.com
SEE IT, CLICK IT, FIX IT:	https://seeclickfix.com/
HRT SURVEY RESULTS:	https://transformtransitpublicinput.com
BOW CREEK STORMWATER:	http://www.vbgov.com/BowCreekSWPark

VBCCO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES FOR 2019

Thursday, October 10—Speaker Ken Chandler
Thursday, November 14—Mayor Bobby Dyer
Thursday, December 12—Acting City Manager Tom Leahy



CITY UPDATES

www.vbgov.com



Bradley Detrich, Virginia Beach Police Department AGENCY

Happy Birthday McGruff -40 years young!

October is Crime Prevention Month and recognized as the Anniversary of McGruff's creation. McGruff was brought into this world in 1978 by the Advertising Council, Inc., which accepted the mission of helping the nation learn ways to prevent crime. The Ad Council gave this creative assignment to the Dancer Fitzgerald Sample agency which volunteered its time and talent. That work was supported by a group of 19 agencies, which formed the nucleus of the Crime Prevention Coalition of America. Today the National Crime Prevention Council manages the National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign, featuring McGruff the Crime Dog and his slogan, "Take A Bite Out Of Crime."

McGruff likes to spend his time on signs, in emails, writing articles in magazines and visiting you during National Night Out and other events where he thinks he can influence you to Take A Bite Out Of Crime.

Help celebrate his birthday this month by locking your car doors (every night!). He said for his birthday he would like October to have no larcenies from vehicles in Virginia Beach. We can do this...together!



LAST MONTH we enjoyed a visit from Brian Solis regarding the electronic scooter issue.

We request that you share our speakers information with YOUR neighborhood. These speakers are provided free of charge to help all communities learn and grow.



Tuesday, November 5, 2019
GENERAL & SPECIAL ELECTIONS



STATE SENATE
6TH, 7TH, 8TH, 14TH

HOUSE OF DELEGATES
21ST, 77TH, 81ST, 82ND, 83RD, 84TH, 85TH, 90TH, 100TH

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DIRECTOR

CLERK OF COURT

TREASURER – SPECIAL*

CITY COUNCIL – BEACH*

CITY COUNCIL – ROSE HALL*

SCHOOL BOARD – ROSE HALL*

*Special Elections

**LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
TODAY!**

**Virginia Beach Council of Civic
Organizations Inc.**



**INFORMATION BELOW IS PROVIDED AS A PUBLIC SERVICE
ANNOUNCEMENT. SEVERAL CANDIDATE
FORUMS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED AROUND THE CITY. BALLOT INFOR-
MATION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NOVEMBER VBCCO—THE VOICE.**

4 Wednesdays in October, 6:30-8:30pm

Dear Friends,

Whether it is on our own City Council or the General Assembly in Richmond, **who represents you is very important.** All of those that aspire to represent us need to know what issues are important to you. Stay informed!

Because of the number of representatives we will be electing, LRNow will be hosting 4 Candidates Forums in October so that you are prepared and ready to **vote on November 5th.** Everyone votes for every city council representative, but that is not true for Delegate and State Senate.

If you are not sure what district you are in, please go to VPAP.org, type in your address and you can find out where you vote, your current district numbers and current representatives. When you know that information, please attend the forums for your representatives from the list below. **ALL** candidates have been invited.

Wednesday, October 2 – Virginia Beach City Offices

Zeiders Theater in Town Center, 6:30-8:30 PM

RK Kowalewitz, Guy Tower, and Rosemary Wilson; Michael Berlucchi and Conrad Schesventer; Laura Wood Habr, Leigh Henderson, and Ralph Parham; Tina Sinnen

Wednesday, October 9 – Delegates for the Southern Half of the City:

Districts 21, 84, and 81.

ODU Virginia Beach, 1881 University Drive, 6:30-8:30 PM

Kelly Fowler and Shannon Kane; Karen Mallard and Glenn Davis; Len Myers and Barry Knight.

Wednesday, October 16 -- Delegates for the Northern Half of the City:

Districts 83, 82, and 85.

Zeiders Theater in Town Center, 6:30-8:30 PM

Nancy Guy and Chris Stolle; Gayle Johnson and Jason Miyares; Alex Askey and Rocky Holcomb.

Wednesday, October 23-- State Senate Candidates: Districts 6, 7, 8, and 14.

Zeiders Theater in Town Center, 6:30-8:30 PM

Elizabeth Lankford and Lynwood Lewis; Jen Kiggans and Cheryl Turpin; Missy Cotter Smasal and Bill DeSteph; John Cosgrove and Rebecca Raveson.





2019 Election Schedule

GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019

State Senate
House of Delegates
Clerk of Court
Soil and Water Conservation Director
Treasurer
City Council and School Board

Voter registration deadline:	Tuesday, October 15, 2019 (close of business*)
Absentee ballot application (BY MAIL) deadline:	Tuesday, October 29, 2019 (5pm)
Absentee ballot (IN-PERSON) deadline:	Saturday, November 2, 2019 (5pm)
Voted ballot returned to our office deadline:	Tuesday, November 5, 2019 (7pm)

IN-PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING SCHEDULE**

Location	Date	Hours
Voter Registration & Elections Municipal Center, Building 14 2449 Princess Anne Road	Monday - Friday September 20 - November 1	8am - 5pm
	Saturdays October 26 & November 2	9am - 5pm
Courthouse Fire Station Municipal Center, Building 13 2461 Princess Anne Road	Monday - Friday October 21 - November 1	9am - 4pm
	Saturdays October 26 & November 2	10am - 2pm
Bayside Recreation Center 4500 First Court Road	Monday - Friday October 21 - November 1	9am - 4pm
	Saturdays October 26 & November 2	10am - 2pm
Great Neck Recreation Center 2521 Shorehaven Drive	Monday - Friday October 21 - November 1	9am - 4pm
	Saturdays October 26 & November 2	10am - 2pm
Seatack Recreation Center 141 S. Birdneck Road	Monday - Friday October 21 - November 1	9am - 4pm
	Saturdays October 26 & November 2	10am - 2pm
Kempsville Treasurer's Office 5340 Fairfield Shopping Center	Monday - Friday October 21 - November 1	9am - 4pm
	No Saturday hours at this location	

*Voter registration deadline is 5:00pm at Voter Registration & Elections and DMV, 7:00pm at the area libraries, 9:00pm at the Central Library and 11:59pm online at www.elections.virginia.gov

**Absentee in-person voting begins 45 days before the election

City of Virginia Beach
Voter Registration & Elections
P. O. Box 6247
2449 Princess Anne Rd, Municipal Center, Building 14
Virginia Beach, VA 23456-0247
Telephone (757)385-8683 Fax (757)385-5632
Website: www.vbgov.com/voter
Email: voter@vbgov.com or grabsteevote@vbgov.com



Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations

P.O. Box 9252 Virginia Beach, VA 23450-9252

www.vbcco.org

In order to better understand the needs of civic leagues and to provide developmental services to the league leadership, we ask that your board members undertake the completion of the following survey. This information will be used to create seminars and projects to enhance the membership and activity levels in the civic leagues. Please email this back to VBCCOSecretary@gmail.com or mail to: VBCCO, P.O. Box 9252, Virginia Beach VA 23450

ABOUT YOUR LEAGUE (Please print)

Name of Your League:

Year Established:

Contact Name:

Phone:

Email:

Do you have a copy of your original or active charter for your group: Yes: No:

What kind of organization are you under the IRS laws:

YOUR LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP

Total numbers members 2018: 2019:

Do you provide a welcome or membership package: Yes No

MEETINGS

Where do you hold your meetings:

Number of meetings: General:

Board:

Social Events:

Other Meetings:

NEWSLETTERS

Number of times you produce a newsletters annually:

ISSUES

What are the top five issues specific to your neighborhood:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

What are the top five issues your league is concerned about with the city:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

(continued over)

VBCCO MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

Is your civic league a member of the CCO: Yes No If yes, do you make an effort to see that a member of your league attends the CCO meeting every month as your representative and who is that individual?

If you are not a member, can you tell us why not:

What would you like the CCO do for your civic league regarding programs and information, such as:

- ☐ Provide information and education on issues without taking sides OR
- ☐ Provide information and education on issues and then suggest what is best for the neighborhoods

What would you like the CCO do for your civic league regarding representation with the city (check ONE only)

- ☐ Allow each civic league to represent itself to the city on each issue, OR
- ☐ CCO be more pro-active as a voice for the neighborhoods by taking a vote on behalf of all civic leagues on issues and represent civic leagues as a solid group to the city

We feel that we will be a stronger voice to the city if we represent a larger membership and a membership that is known to be active and involved with their league leadership. The CCO wants to help new and existing leagues develop their membership numbers and member involvement. What kind of services would you most likely use if offered by the CCO (check ALL that apply):

- ☐ Consulting / Mentoring with civic league
- ☐ Develop Newsletter
- ☐ Develop Website
- ☐ Coordinate Seminars
- ☐ Draft / Evaluate Bylaws / Manual
- ☐ Other (please list):

Please list any suggestions or concerns your group may have for how the CCO is organized and/or operating:

Please email your responses to: VBCCOSecretary@gmail.com or you can mail to the following address:

VBCCO, PO Box 9252, Virginia Beach, VA 23450-9252



CITY UPDATE FROM

www.vbgov.com

FREE ON-STREET PARKING ON ATLANTIC AVENUE

<https://www.vbgov.com/news/Documents/20190930-CO-172SGA-AtlanticAveOnStParkingPlans-2019.pdf>

Free On-Street Parking at the Oceanfront Starts Oct. 1

After successful pilot program, City once again offers free, two-hour parking

Monday, September 30, 2019

Free on-street parking at the Oceanfront has been expanded this year. Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 1, two-hour parking on Atlantic Avenue, from 6th to 38th streets, is free between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m.

After last year's successful pilot program, an additional 13 blocks of parking have been added along with an additional hour. Free parking previously concluded at 10 p.m. and stopped at 25th Street.

Designated parking spaces vary from block to block. Look for the signs and pavement markings. Hours will adjust in November to accommodate queuing for BayPort Credit Union Holiday Lights Merry Mile.

Free Parking Schedule:

- Between 15th and 38th streets:
 - 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. – Oct. 1, 2019 through April 1, 2020
- Between 6th and 15th streets:
 - 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. – Oct. 1 through Nov. 21, 2019
 - 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Nov. 22 through Dec. 31, 2019 (to accommodate queuing for BayPort Credit Union Holiday Lights Merry Mile)
 - 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. – Jan. 1 through April 1, 2020

 [20190930-CO-172SGA-AtlanticAveOnStParkingPlans-2019.pdf](https://www.vbgov.com/news/Documents/20190930-CO-172SGA-AtlanticAveOnStParkingPlans-2019.pdf)

Community Resources

SeeClickFix

- An App which empowers citizens with an easy way to report community issues that need the City's attention.
- You can report items such as street light outages, poor roadway conditions, drainage problems, graffiti, landscaping issues on public or private property, etc.

Download the App and/or visit:

<https://en.seeclickfix.com>

ePRO

- An interactive web application which gives citizens easy access to:
 - Crime reports by street
 - Traffic accident reports
 - Search active warrants

(electric Police Report Online)

<https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/police/Pages/epro.aspx>

Nextdoor.com

- A private communication App for your neighborhood and a great way to stay informed of events and issues occurring around your community.

ReportIt

- FREE remote property inventory system.
- Provides you with a convenient location to keep a secure, online record of your valuable property to include serial numbers, pictures of jewelry, high dollar electronics, scanned receipts, etc.

<https://reportit.leadsonline.com>

BIKE SAFETY IS A TWO-WAY STREET.



...so we encourage cyclists and motorists to ride and drive with a heart – follow the rules of the road and respect each other. Road safety starts with the mutual understanding that bicyclists and motorists have the same rights and responsibilities when it comes to navigating the streets of Virginia Beach. From there, it's all about being courteous, safe and visible.



GIVE A MINIMUM OF 2 FEET. Motorists and bicyclists can share the road safely when everyone observes all traffic laws. When passing a cyclist on the road, drivers must give two feet or more of clearance. Responsible cyclists must also ride with the flow of traffic, using proper hand signals and anticipating the actions of other road users. When riding two abreast, bicyclists cannot impede the movement of traffic, and need to move into single file when being overtaken from the rear.



WEAR THE PROPER GEAR. The grim reality is that about 1,000 American bicyclists die in crashes every year, with approximately 75% of those being from head injuries. Children ages 14 and under are five times more likely to sustain bicycle crash-related injuries than any other age group. All bicyclists should wear properly fitted bicycle helmets every time they ride, as it is the single most effective way to prevent head injury resulting from a bicycle crash. Stay visible too; wear bright colors and use reflective equipment.



DON'T BE A BIKE SALMON. You know how salmon swim upstream to get to a particular destination? Bicyclists follow this risky example when riding against the flow of traffic. This wrong-way riding behavior endangers everyone—motorists, pedestrians and other cyclists. Make the roads safe for everyone by following the rules of the road and going with the flow of traffic.

VBgov.com/TwoWayStreet





VBCCO WEBSITE:
www.VBCCO.org

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When it comes to care for your loved one, “good enough” simply isn’t good enough. We are passionate about providing quality care for our residents and peace of mind for their families. Call us at **757-495-4211** to schedule your personal visit.



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VBCCO Board Meetings are held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Thank you!

Next VBCCO General Membership Meeting
Thursday, November 14, 2019
7:00 pm

Great Neck Recreation Center