**LAKE SHORES CIVIC LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: November 21, 2023, 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Shelton Park Elementary School. Fifteen neighbors signed in, three neighbors present & not signed in. Date & time of our next General Meeting is January 16, 2024.

**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**

Acting President/First Vice President Craig opened the meeting, welcomed all, then invited us to join

in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Our speaker MPO Shoenbach may not join us due to commitments with the Police Department.

Craig asked all to please write legibly on the sign in sheets & to let the Civic League know of any information to add to our website.

**Minutes**

Secretary Jeanne Marie read portions of the minutes from our last meeting held on September 19, 2023.

Craig moved to accept the minutes.

As no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. .

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**Financial**

Treasurer Dodie read the Treasurer’s Report.

Ending balance of $1623.50

Craig moved to accept the report.

As no additions or corrections, the report was approved.

**Neighborhood Entrance Signs**

Craig: The signs are a major expense, now made of marine quality plywood.

The Civic League takes care of the signs, not the city.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Citizen Advisory Committees (CAC) – Third Precinct**

First Vice President, Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO) & CAC

Representative Dave

Trustee, VBCCO Representative, & Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Rick

Dave: The VBCCO elected new officers.

Dave: The CAC meeting is similar to ours.

The President of CAC shares information with the Captain of the Police Third Precinct.

CAC reports crimes & advises what we can do.

Vehicle larcenies: lock doors as 99.9 percent are crimes of opportunity.

A “Security & Safety Team” is underway working with School Resource Officers in Virginia Beach Schools.

Security Assistants are former members of law enforcement – less than ten years from time of service

as former military & police.

**Neighborhood Watch**

Rick: Violent crime dropped in the Third Precinct.

Vehicles are broken into, weapons taken

Keep valuables out of sight.

Keep alert during the Holiday Season with vehicle keys in hand in parking lots.

A pedestrian was hit on Northampton Blvd. crossing from the bushes at the WaWa.

Inform Rick of speeding in Lake Shores.

Dave & Rick receive feedback from the Third Precinct.

VB Police now use the Portal System: scan drivers’ licenses, eliminating paper reports.

Portal System is a better way to obtain information.

Lake Shores is quiet.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Former President, Jim, & former Treasurer, Mary, will move on November 29.

Neighborhood entrance signs are due for replacement.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Thanksgiving is in two days.

Trash pickup is the day before.

**Adopt a Street**

Coordinator Jack: We will meet on Saturday, December 2, at 9:00 a.m. at the Pump House

on Jack Frost Road, not on Saturday, November 25, due to Thanksgiving weekend.

**Speakers**

Craig: Our next meeting is in January.

Perhaps invite a speaker from Dominion Energy re: Smart Meters, rate increases.

Dave: Or a speaker re: Elder Law

Dave: Smart meter instances of fires reported, Dominion can turn off the power, info uploads directly

to Richmond via RF (Remote Frequency)

**JEB Little Creek Gates**

Craig: Three gates will close in the spring of 2024 during installation of vehicle barriers.

During work on active gates, inactive Gates will re-activate.

Dave: Public Affairs representatives from Little Creek met with members of the Civic League at the pump house.

**Elections & Installations**

Craig: Elections & Installations were delayed due to the pandemic.

Nominations were held last meeting.

President: Diane Tortora

First VP: Craig Corey

Second VP: Dave Gresens

Treasurer: Dodie Antal

Secretary: Jeanne Marie Macdonald

Trustees: Corrie Corey, Elaine Clearwater, Rick Shelor

Craig moved to vote on the slate of officers.

All in attendance voted Aye, none voted No.

The slate of officers is approved.

The officers will serve from January through March of 2025 with new (or reelected) officers assuming office in May of 2025. Elaine’s trustee term comes to an end in March of 2026; Rick’s in March of 2025; and Corrie’s in March of 2024. That will get the trustees back on the three year schedule of overlapping terms.

Craig asked for questions then moved that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion was seconded.

All agreed & the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jeanne Marie Macdonald*

Secretary