

West View Shores Civic Association Community Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 20, 2023

Call to Order:

Connell McNeils, President call the meeting to order at 9:03 am of
Connell McNeils lead the Community in attendance the Pledge of Allegiance

President's Comments:

Connell McNeil's recognized a visitor to the meeting Eric Buehl,
Regional Watershed Restoration Specialist for the University of Maryland Sea
Grant Extension Program
Connell McNeils turned the floor over to Bob Crawford who has been heading the
Living Shore Grant

Bob Crawford shared with the Shareholders & Community Members that Eric Buehl
is the person who was instrumental in completing the Grant Application. He then
explain that Eric would be going over the many steps for the timeline of the Living
Shore Grant Project. Bob Crawford turned the floor over to Eric Buehl.

Eric Buehl introduce himself with a brief description of his duties. Eric went briefly
how he came to be invited to WVSCA. In the Fall he was here to go over a review
plan that WVS submitted. With the information that was obtained in the Fall
they took that complied into application that we are currently waiting on approval.
The application was submitted on December 15th came in a cost of \$61,414.00
The application is for the design of "Living Shore Line" if approve the project
begins mid to late summer 2023. This part of the design will not be completed
until the late summer of 2024. This is the time when dunes, migration of wildlife
recommendation of Rain Gardens, Tree Planting & Meadow Area in Open Spaces.
And yes views will be taking consideration - but need to remember long term
preservation for the shore line is the end game goal line. Once that's done it will
be turned over to a contractor. Eric explained what a living shore line - he went
over the pro/cons of what WVS already has in place...like the revetment wall
bulk head and the rip tides. Pro they do secure the shoreline but will
require maintenance. There will be meetings that the Community will be included
so everyone is aware of what's going on.

The grant that has been submitted is called Resilient Grant this grant is interest
DNR wants to see and how WVS comes back after a big storm - where and how
long the water is within the WVS. How long is the shore line changing from storm
to storm. If for some reason WVS is denied the grant - Eric assured us that
there is other funding that are coming up in the summer of 2023 called WAGP.
Another called NFWF that will be coming out in the winter of 2024. The good part
is we can use the work that has been done by technical/evaluation review and
the why WVS was denied for the next grant. Eric says if everything goes to plan
WVS project could be \$250,000.00 -

If you wanted to do things like rain barrel conservation landscaping, rain gardens
WVS should get a committee together and see the interest. If there is community
interest there is funding that is available to fund those types of projects.

Eric went over the service called "My Coast"? By downloading an app it allows
you to follow the flooding anywhere in Maryland. It uses photos that are uploaded

to track flooding, high/low tides and how it impacts WVS
Question was asked - Did Eric have any recommendation for the monthly beach/maintenance? Anything that as a community keep doing what we are doing but please remember that the cost you put into whatever will leveled out as the project moves forward. Whatever we do shouldn't effect the grant.
Eric concluded his part in the meeting.

Grant Names:

WAGP - Watershed Assistance Grant Program

NFWF - National Fish Wildlife Foundation

MNRG - Maryland Natural Resource Gateway

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Comments from Community

Connell then opened the floor for anyone to make comments.

The request was made that homeowners with low hanging limbs to please trim them up. Favorable boat canopy high to prevent boat damage. Connell asked to the report the hanging tree to him.

Connell took the time to acknowledge the Board and the hard work they volunteer to do.

Minutes from Fall 2022 Meeting

Connell motioned to have the Annual Meeting on August 26th approved.

Nancy Geisel approved

Jim Meikle second motion for the approval

Financial Report

Stacy Lang reported on the 2022 Financial Audit that was completed on 3/31/2023
The audit was conducted by Stacy Lang, Faith Miller, Tracy Miller & Judy Ryzner
Everything was found to be in order. Motion was made and approved.

Judy Ryzner went over the Treasure report for Financials as of the last posted date of May 19, 2023

Motion was made to approve the Treasure report Bruce Hemphill

Motion was second by Bob Crawford

Old Business

Connell presented the following:

Pierce Creek updates. There was a meeting that was held on May 19th
GiGi Steele attended the meeting which reported so far they have dredged 900,000 cy/yds. Dredging should begin in around October 2023
Connell informed the Community that dredging at Pierce Creek is on 25 year plan.

Property at Bluff Road that is between WVS & BV has been confirmed to be 50/50 between the two communities.

The Road Committee reviewed the roads and felt that no maintenance needed to be done at this time. Judy Rynzer added that the funds that were voted (71 to 1 in favor) in January were put into a 6 month CD. The Road Committee does not have a date set to when they will meet again. Road Committee Members: Dave Lee, John English, Bruce Hemphill & Craig Sassman

Connell requested that everyone please place the WVS decal on their boat trailers/golf cart/vehicles. You can see Dave Lee for the decals - Dave & Kim Christie need 2 decals delivered to them.

New Business

Connell reported on the Golf Cart traffic from Bay View over the late winter early spring. A small group of kids from Bay View were racing up/down the roads and on the protected property. Connell and President of Bay View HOA have spoken to the kids/parents and believe the situation has been handled. However should you see anything please report it to Connell or another Board Member. The Board was asked to consider a curfew - Bay View has a curfew of 10:00. The Board voted no curfew and to handle it on an individual basis. Which brings to the Beach trespassers. Should you see someone you do not know introduce yourself - you find out they are not from WVS - informed nicely that they are trespassing and need to leave if they are not a guest of WVS. Please inform Connell or another Board member and it will be handled also on a case by case basis.

Beach clean up and trees in around the Beach area. The beach will be closed on May 22nd & 23rd for D & D to come in and do the BIG cleaning of the beach. There are orange cans for the beach debris please do not place your trash in the cans.

Stacy Lang asked if the Community ever consider doing an acknowledgement for individuals who put a lot of volunteer time into the community. Maybe a gift card, deduction in maintenance fees for 'x' amount of hours. Connell felt making a public acknowledgment just "Thank you" is enough ...Connell asked for new Board Members; new seats are opening this fall.

Marion Bowman requested a moment of silence for the members we have lost since the fall meeting. Connell apologized for not taking the time and mentioned just in the past four months seven of our neighbors have passed.

50/50 drawer \$107.00 collected - Bruce Hemphill was the winner.

Carolann Candy asked the community to watch the WVS website & Facebook message boards for dates of events. Volunteers are always welcome. June 3rd is the " Pond Neck Road" cleaning. Jim Miliner is leading the event if you have any questions.

Adjournment

Connell McNeils adjourned the meeting by wishing everyone Good Safe Summer