

West View Shores Civic Association

Community Meeting

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023

Call to Order:

- Connell McNelis, President called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM
- Pledge of Allegiance

President's Comments:

- Happy Birthday sung to resident Becky celebrating 90 years.
- Connell requested that any outstanding ballots be turned in for a vote.
- Connell welcomed Bob Crawford to speak about the beach restoration project. Bob said there was good news regarding the grant being approved. Bob then re-introduced Eric Buehl who has been assisting with the grant for the Living Shore Grant Project, and who was our guest speaker at our community meeting on May 20th.

Eric restated his comments from the May meeting regarding the grant process and emphasized that there are still many meetings and paperwork regarding the project. He said the funding was estimated at \$1.3 million and that he was partnering with DNR. The kickoff meeting with DNR is in October, they would get engineering on board in Dec. By Summer of 2025, they anticipate permits being in place. Lou Peck asked where the funding comes from. Eric stated this is a long process and would be community driven, with funding from DNR and the grant from MD Dept, of Resources, at no cost to the community.

Eric answered Penny Sass's question where the \$1.3 million will come from. Eric said there are no guarantees, but DNR will be involved, in the Fall of 2024, they will sit down with grant writing committee, they should know something by Spring.

Connell restated this would be a long process and said the 4 people involved with the grant writing and process would be himself, Bob Crawford, Diane Perrymore and Jim Higgins. He also expressed that any questions should be directed to these folks.

- Connell mentioned that there was a car show today in Chesapeake City and asked for any questions before moving along with the meeting.
- Connell made a motion to approve Secretary's minutes from May, 20.2023 meeting, motion approved by Dottie Hemphill and seconded by Penny Sass.
- Connell spoke to the budget for 2024 and said that the maintenance fees will be the same as last year and then turned the meeting over to Judy Ryzner for the treasurer's report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer reviewed the Jan. 1, 2023, to Aug. 25, 2023, report. Income we expect for 2024 is \$41,370.00 with Expenses of \$35,850.00 and a Profit of \$5,520.00 for 2024. Profit for 2023 should be \$15,142.15 depending on how many expenses come in between now and the end of the year. If we get snow, that number will come down. Judy asked if there were any questions and mentioned that all the expenses were listed in detail if anyone wanted to review them. There were no questions.
- Connell motioned to approve the budget report for Jan.1st to Aug 25th, 2023, was made and approved by Bruce Hemphill and seconded by Kris Dumigan.

Old Business:

- Connell stated that the Road Committee reported that the roads were not getting worse, the committee members would be taking pictures and reviewing them again in the Spring, to note any changes and if action is needed. They look good now and asked for any questions. A question was asked about spraying the roads, especially around the environmental area. Connell asked if anyone could spray, and Tracey Miller volunteered. (Dave Lee, John English, Bruce Hemphill and Craig Sassaman)
- Connell asked for an update on the tree removal, and it was stated that they were halfway done and that they would be done by Fall and Tracey will replace with new trees by the end of Sept.
- Golf carts discussed and Connell says that the kids from Bay View seem to be the issue and that they spoke to the parents, without success. The issue with them on the common ground with the kids was addressed. Tiffeny Willard asked what the problem was and said that the golf carts all had

governors on them to keep them from speeding, but that was disputed by some other residents, saying the kids were still racing down Basin and Bluff Roads, racing over speed bumps, running stop signs and throwing trash on the ground. There was a long discussion amongst the community, it was asked if we are liable if anyone gets hurt. Bruce Hemphill doesn't believe we are liable. Community suggestions to write a letter to Bay View board, reach out to sheriff, take videos or pics of offenders to create a historical record of issues to ban them from community. Connell says he is in contact with Bay View president, Dave Heacock but the BVE community is not receptive to helping with the issue. Connell asked for a motion to send a letter to Bay View. Motion approved.

New Business:

- Connell said the beach is going to be beautiful when it is done, should be in about a year and a half.

Election Results:

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| • Vice President | Carolann Candy |
| • Assistant Treasurer | Tracey Miller |
| • Secretary | Debbie Gasparovic |
| • Director of Central | John Keech |
| • Director at Large | Dave Lee |
| • Director of West | Kris Dumigan |
| • Director of East | Diane Perrymore |

50/50 Results:

- Won by Connell McNelis and donated back to community \$58.00.

Meeting Adjourned:

No further business discussed and adjourned at 9:30

Meeting minutes recorded by Debbie Gasparovic