



CHESAPEAKE ISLE CIVIC ASSOCIATION
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**CICA Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes
General Meeting
November 18, 2003**

The meeting began at 7:10 at the pavilion.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jim Abel, Gordon Osborne, Jay Gilfillan, Sonny Hayes, Mike Szep, Sr., Rob Green, Ken Knapp, Janet McKenna, Bill Dryden, Brian Clare, Vern Orndorff, Ward Keever

Committee Members & Guests Present: Trish and Bobby Jones, Allan Embon, Les Fritz, John Bates, Barry Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Borromeo, Dave Byler were among some of the community residents present.

President's Report: There is a notice in the Cecil Whig for a meeting to be held on December 10, 2003 regarding improvements planned to the Elk Neck State Park sewer plant. This is a result of CICA attendance at a hearing held by the Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas Commission back in June, 2003. We did not take a position in favor or against NorthBay, but did point out our concerns that we hoped local and state governments would address -- one of which was 20,000 more visitors using the current marginal sewer plant. Concerns were also raised for the increased traffic on Turkey Point Road when Wapiti Farms, North Bay, and Turkey Point Lighthouse are complete. The public hearing will be regarding proposed changes to the discharge permit to allow an increase in the design capacity of the treatment plant from 108,000 to 150,000 gallons per day. John Bates and Dave Byler will attend meeting for the CICA.

Holiday events:

- Wine and Cheese 12/7/03 – Ed and Dawn Campbell will be hosting.
- The annual Christmas caroling at the pavilion will be on 12/20/03 at 6:00 P.M.
- Holiday decoration contest. Susan Clare is heading the committee. \$150.00 was approved for prizes. Mrs. Clare is keeping the cost in line with budget.
- Santa will be stopping by again this year. Those interested please contact Mrs. Clause (Ruth Killian) to schedule a visit. There is a link on the web site for Santa. The phone number for scheduling the North Pole visit is 410-287-6592.

A breakdown of responsibilities was reviewed which aligned committees and directors in four "stovepipes" as follows: Facilities (Szep), Administration and Services (Knapp), Continuity (Green), and Community Relations (McKenna). Suggestions were made for some committees' readjustments

Treasurer's Report: Tractor payment number 51 out of 60 was paid. \$834.00 was paid to Boyds Nursery for plantings for erosion control by the harbor. \$295.00 for miscellaneous materials, i.e., fencing, straw, stakes, etc. needed for the plantings.

Snow Plowing income is totaled at \$1575.00. Disbursements over income will continue until January, 2004. Tractor is the only debt with 9 payments remaining.

It was explained that the \$121.62 expense in the social budget was spent for refreshments for clean up and mooring pull. The salaries paid were for grass cutting and snowplow personnel at a very minimal rate. (Rob Green)

Bill Dryden moved to accept the Treasurer's report as given, Brian Clare seconded the proposal. The Board accepted the Treasurer's report unanimously.

Architectural Review: Set of plans submitted to the Architectural Review Committee were approved on the corner of Basin and Turkey Point Road. In the future, building plans should be submitted to the Vice President, Ken Knapp, who will start the clock running on CICA response and give plans to the Architectural Review Committee for review and approval. If the Vice President cannot be contacted, one of the other officers or directors should be contacted to start the review. Updating of ARC committee members roster will be discussed with the committee chairperson (Barry Miller). Gordon Osborne moved to approve this change; Rob Green seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Beach Report: Bathhouse and pavilion are closed. The burn on the beach lasted three days all from the residue of Isabel. FEMA application was obtained and filed. (Jim Abel)

CICA Clothing: Sold more than expected with three months gone. Gotten new supply for embroidery. Remember CICA clothing makes terrific Christmas presents. (Dottie Fritz)

E-Mail & Website: New pictures and more information are now on the website. Please check for current activities. (John Reber)

Erosion: Nothing new to report. Work in the boat area is complete (Ken Knapp).

Grass Mowing: Nothing to report

Harbor: Bill Dryden gave the following report.

It's a sure sign of winter when the Harbor Area is bare. All of the moorings have been pulled and delivered.

Many thanks to the great crew that turned out on Mooring Pull Day. A special thanks to Sonny Hayes and crews that had most of the moorings pulled prior to Saturday and thanks to Chet Hallett for his help with his small tractor in delivering the moorings on the owner's lots.

On Saturday the 22nd, I hope to begin the major repairs to the old dock. Anyone that can help should report to the harbor at 8:30 a.m.

Again, thanks to all who help to maintain the harbor area and have a great Thanksgiving. (Bill Dryden, Harbor Master)

Historical: Nothing to report. (Audrey Buck)

Legal: No legal action. (Dave Byler)

Maintenance: Tractor/machinery maintenance is in transition. Bobby Jones painted the exterior of the school bus shelter. Nice job Bobby, thank you. The inside will be done according to weather. Maintenance for winter is complete. (John Bates)

Membership: 255 paid memberships. Some addresses are being reviewed and updated. 75 people worked on the fall clean up day. Change of address and phone number received for the Dumas and Stasky families. (Les Fritz)

Newsletter: New list for 10 committee members was provided. Newsletter committee believes there are more houses that needs a tube for CICA mail. Approximately 20 more to be added. Next newsletter will be going out approximately January 15th or 20th. Please provide any information by January 5th. (Les Fritz)

Pavilion: Nancy Duvall is new Chairperson for this. Thank you Nancy.

Roads: Stable after the onslaught of Isabel. A load of millings was ordered and we are awaiting delivery. These millings will be used for patching potholes; gravel is also being redistributed. Basin and Mason need to have attention paid in that area based on concerns expressed by residents; also Mowbray/Rolling area needs some attention; millings need to be provided. Grading will be done. (John Bates)

Social: Social committee meeting is taking place simultaneously, a report will be submitted at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. (Sue Seeley)

Town Watch: Nothing new to report. The transition is working well. There is a possibility of taking a later shift. Brad Fager/Bobby Jones to handle the late shift. Sonny Hayes is missing 2 gas cans from his garage. Prior reports of damage from mischief

night have been reported to the proper authorities as well as any incidental reportings.
(Jay Gilfillan)

Snow Plowing: 26 contracts are in for the current year. Stakes are to be put in after November 22nd for guidelines to the snow plow crew. Allan Embon has volunteered to help. Thank you, Allan. Backups for Ken Knapp this winter are Jay Gilfillan and Vern Orndorf.

Boat Slips: Nothing new to report.

Mandatory Membership: The Board is attempting to contact those property owners whose ballot is not yet returned to urge them to cast a ballot as a member and to explain that a non-returned member ballot will be considered a non-objection to the will of the majority. 103 ballots have been returned so far.

New Business: Suggestion for a CICA kids club was made: Bobby Jones has volunteered to lead this committee.

Mike Szep asked the Directors to consider a suggestion on how the CICA could improve its ability to give volunteers a chance to get involved in the community. He suggested that:

- a suggestion box and bulletin board to be installed at the Maintenance Building
- The bulletin board be used to post jobs that need to be done on 3x5 cards (jobs come from Committee Chairpersons, committee members, and the suggestion box).
- Each Saturday from the beginning of April until the end of October, from 8:30 until 11:30 am, at least one Director or Committee Chairperson would be present at the Pavilion to suggest jobs, hand out tools, give direction, and drive the tractor if qualified. A rotating schedule of directors/chairpersons would be set up in advance

Mike asked the Board to consider this suggestion, but postpone action until February/March meetings.

Planning for Jacob's Nose maintenance required by Army Corp. of Engineers agreement: It was decided that the maintenance at the top of Jacob's Nose area of Chesapeake Isle is dangerous, so alternatives are being looked into, including hiring equipment and operators (bushhog).

Chesapeake Isle's new entrance sign needs minor repair; the white paint needs to be reapplied.

The community property south of the old pier near lot G18 has erosion problems. A suggestion was made that each Director should look at the area and that the Board should consider getting an estimate from jetty contractor. This will be looked into by Ken Knapp and reported back to the Board.

Please keep Jeanne Tepe in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy and full recovery.

Next general meeting will be on December 9th 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion

Bill Dryden proposed the meeting's conclusion, Vern Orndorff seconded. Board approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet McKenna, Secretary

cc: Committee Chairpersons
Elk Neck State Park Rangers.