

Chesapeake Isle Civic Association
July 2009 Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Joan Ferrick, Diana Hawley, Andrea Gilde, Janet McKenna, Brian Clare, Bill Tucker, John Trainor, Beth High

Absent: Sonny Hayes, Art Wood, Karen Dryden, and Dave Byler

Community Members & guests present: Bill Chase, Don Manges, Paul Pudlinski, Bill Day, Pat Day, Brad Fager

Treasurer's Report: CICA Budget for July 09

Various income & expense items were discussed. 4th of July expenses from 08 were counted in community events, but starting this year it has its own line item & budget category.

There was a question regarding the income amount recorded for the community events committee. It was far less than expected. Was the money perhaps accounted for under a different category? It was categorized under 4th of July; however, for last year 4th of July was not a separate category & it should be accounted for along with Community Events.

Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report with the income discrepancy being corrected and distributed via email. All approved.

BUDGET – preparation for 2009-10 budget

Biggest jump for next year is Roads Budget increasing from \$12000 to \$34000. This increase in expense is being justified for several reasons:

1. During the past year, many road maintenance tasks were not performed, in anticipation of possibly having the roads paved.
2. Since the road paving project was defeated, we must resume covering the roads in millings. It is apparent, looking at the state of many of the roads, that our equipment, available materials, and volunteer labor force are unable to produce a satisfactory road surface. It is necessary at this time to bring in a great deal of millings (approximately 1000 tons) and to hire a contracting service to spread and flatten the millings to an acceptable road surface.
3. A separate line item will be added to the budget of \$15000 to pave the section of road where Rolling/Rollins/Mowbray meet. This area has an exceptionally bad runoff problem and the millings do not work in this area.

The roads committee plans to continue with the work of paving the worst spots in the community, such as have been done on Bennett, Caldwell, and Rollins Rd. One section will be done per year.

If the budget is approved with the \$15000 section of paving, the Mandatory Maintenance fee for 2010 will be \$211 per lot. If it is not approved along with the budget, the fee will be \$165 per lot.

Question was raised as to the status of those property owners who pay their maintenance fees but do not join the association. Why are they not allowed to participate fully in all CICA functions. It was explained that: money paid by those who choose to join the association is used to fund social events such as Summer Socials and Wine & Cheese, among others. In the past, before the mandatory maintenance fee was established, those who did not pay their optional CICA fees were not allowed to participate in many CICA activities. With the establishment of mandatory fees

and optional membership, CICA does not allow non-members to participate in CICA-funded events, but all maintenance fee paying property owners can participate in other community activities. CICA is tasked with ensuring the maintenance of the community; all social functions are optional.

CICA Upcoming Budget items were discussed for the newsletter and annual meeting. Questions were asked about the upcoming boat ramp project and progress.

Community Maintenance budget & CICA budget will be revised & approved by email.

Secretary's Report – minutes from the June 2009 minutes were approved as updated. All approved. Minutes from 6.27 voting minutes were approved as written, with all board members approving.

Committee Reports

Architectural Review- Approved since the last Board Meeting:

Brian and Jean Goodman, Lot 18-L

26 Rollins Road

(Putting a roof over part of their existing deck to make a screen porch).

No change in the present footprint. Deck was approved 8-24-02. (Submitted by Karen Dryden)

Community Events Committee

Thanks to Bill and Pat Day for chairing the second Summer Night Social this year, which was held on Friday, June 26, and to Phyllis Doyle for chairing the Food Drive.

Upcoming events include the following:

- Ice Cream Social/BINGO (Friday, July 10, 2009 & Friday, August 7, 2009): The Ice Cream Social begins at 6:00 p.m., and BINGO begins at 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion. The cost of the Ice Cream Social is \$1.00 per person (all you can eat make your own ice cream sundaes), with money being collected that night. (Please RSVP to Susan Clare.) BINGO, which follows the IC Social at 7:00 p.m., is \$1.00 per 9 game sheet.
- Summer Night Social (Friday, July 31, 2009): This social is being chaired by Bill and Janice Newkirk

The September Summer Social, which was originally scheduled for September 25, is canceled. The Chesapeake Isle Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, September 26.

I am developing the 2010 Calendar of Events, and will forward it to the Board for approval by the end of July.

The next CE committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 13, at 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion. ((Submitted by Diana Hawley)

Membership – CICA Membership Report

Recap:

- 2008 – One property owner (Crowetz) has not paid their required 2008 (nor 2009) maintenance fees and did not pick up the registered letter sent by Bill Dryden on May 13. One property owner (Blackburn) paid a total of \$125. This was applied to the 2008 maintenance fee and interest; the remaining \$2.96 was applied to 2009 maintenance.

- 2009 - Invoices and forms were sent to all property owners including Mason exempt and 11 renters on Jan 1.
 - 79 second notices for 2009 were sent March 1.
 - 34 third notices were sent April 15.
 - All bathhouse and shuffleboard keys have been hand delivered or mailed.

2009 Responses to Date

- CI Community
 - Maintenance
 - Required 314 full & 3 partial of 326 lots (95%)
 - Optional (Mason Lane) 5 of 5 paid (100%)
 - Bath House 120
- CICA
 - Membership
 - Owner 235 of 301 owners (78%)
 - Renters 2 renter paid membership
 - Shuffle Board 51
 - Boat Storage 92
 - Mooring Set & Pull* 87
 - Mooring Pick up & Return 79
 - Donations/Late fees \$53.06

* includes 2 special mooring fees from Murray (Submitted by Jean Tucker)

General Maintenance & Roads – the usual community maintenance continues. The roads group is looking to fill potholes. (Submitted by Bill Chase)

Grass Mowing – continues on a weekly basis. House on Rolling with high grass has been mowed, the property owner will be billed. ((Submitted by Bill Chase)

Library – 33 Large Print books have been received from CCPL, and many childrens books have been received from community members. (Submitted by Joan Ferrick)

4th of July – July 4th was a rousing success. The offer of my first born was accepted and the weather was beautifully perfect for a picnic.

A special thank you goes to all the committee chairpersons including Allan and Andrea Johns, Food Concession; Anne Bates, Crafts; John Bates & Bill Day, Tents and Tables; Rob &

Anna Green, Pie Eating; Joan Ferrick, Opening Parade; Jennifer & Joe Greenfield, Children's Games; Brian Clare & Diana Hawley, Sound System, Don & Sue Schooley, Decorations; Bill & Karen Dryden, Snow Cones and Belgium Waffles, Sonny Hayes, Shuffleboard & Tug-O-War; Bonnie Boyer, Sue Clare and Babs Manges, Silent Auction; Ed Turner, Golf Chipping Tournament; Dave Byler, Horseshoe Tournament; Dick & Erika Ullman, Peanut Bags and Tara for Face Painting; Janet McKenna and John Reber, Volleyball; Chris Ann Szep, 50/50 Raffle and Cardboard Armada Race, Jean Tucker, Photographer; Charlotte Hallett, Phyllis Doyle and Nancy Turner, Ticket Sales; and last, but certainly not least, John Trainor and Diana Hawley (again) for their wonderful emceeing.

We have not received the winners of the competitions, but we certainly congratulate you for giving it everything you've got!

To date, according to the numbers we have been given:

Gross Sales:	\$2,316.50
Expenses:	<u>631.07</u>
Net:	\$1,685.43

Bill and I appreciate any and all suggestions for making this an even better event next year. The Belgium waffles were a new successful addition this year, what can be added or changed for next year? Please contact the Day's with any suggestions. (Submitted by Pat Day)

History – Nothing new to report at this time. Meetings will resume September 18th at the Pavilion. (Submitted by Pat Day)

Nominating – currently have 4 candidates for the 4 open positions. Late nominations will be accepted and posted in the newsletter.

1. James Richardson
2. Ed Campbell
3. Joe Greenfield
4. Harry Witte

Can someone who is an immediate family of a property owner, and who lives in the neighborhood, but whose name is not on the deed, run for the board? The by-laws are vague on this matter. We know that renters can not be considered as board members, but what about parents who live in a home that is owned by their adult child or an adult child living in a home owned by his/her parent? Assuming that the maintenance fees are paid, and the CICA membership is paid, these individuals are not property owners, but are not renters either, as there is no rental agreement. Tabled until the 2010-2011 election.

The by-laws will be reviewed. (Submitted by Diana Hawley)

OLD BUSINESS – what amounts are we donating to local charities from the 4th of July proceeds? To which programs are we donating? We have 3 outreach groups and the NEFC. After some discussion, we will donate \$400 in total, \$100 to each organization. (Pat Day)

RRC report – After the defeat of the road paving project, the vast amount of information gathered will be given to the history committee for archiving. The ballots will be kept confidential. After some discussion it was decided that they will be kept by the Association secretary for a period of

approximately one year, and then be destroyed after the 2010 Annual Meeting. A summary of the votes will be retained indefinitely.

NEW BUSINESS – pavilion kitchen is in need of upgrade. Tabled until next month.

First Aid Kit – A suggestion was made to purchase a wall-mounted first aid kit for the pavilion. After some discussion it was decided to purchase several (one for each rest room, the shuffleboard closet and the kitchen, to increase availability). There is a small wall-mount available for \$34 each. A motion was made to spend approximately \$130 on first aid kits for pavilion, shuffleboard, & bathrooms. All approved.

Theft update: The truck stolen from a CICA homeowner was found. The matter is being handled by the Cecil County Sheriff's Department.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34.

Next meeting will be August 13. Annual meeting is August 23.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Gilde, Secretary.