

MINUTES
CSCIA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 12, 2014

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:33 P.M in the Cox Meeting Room of the Clubhouse. He thanked everyone for showing up and noted that Governor Veno had been removed due to three consecutive absences, and that Governor Norris had resigned effective April 30.

Minutes and Profit and Loss Statements (P&Ls):

April 14, 2014 Monthly BOG meeting minutes: Governor Vaccaro made a motion that these minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Governor Hazen. Governor Newman moved that the minutes be amended to change the phrase “new owner of Fairwinds Marina, who said he would like to give us back our sand that washes over into his area.” to “new owner of Fairwinds Marina, who would like to work with the Association to promote better erosion control.” The motion was seconded by Governor Hazen and the amended minutes passed unanimously.

March 31, 2014 Final Profit and Loss Statement: Governor Newman made a motion to approve these P&Ls. The motion was seconded by Governor Lamb and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Covenants: Governor Hazen reported that there has been a lot of clean up going on in response to letters she has sent out regarding debris and other issues. There is still no date set for the County to begin mosquito spraying.

Erosion Control: Governors Breeden and Vaccaro met with Bryan Seipp from the Center for Watershed Protection on April 17th to tour Cape Beaches and Parks and determine opportunities to replenish beaches, prevent further erosion, and capture storm water. A number of potential projects were identified for the Main Beach, Lake Claire Beach, Little Magothy Beach and the Deep Creek Marina, and further investigation is on-going. Governor Vaccaro said that pairing jetty construction with wetland restoration might be a way to get funding for both, and that there may be a way to replace the remnants of jetties at the Main Beach. She also noted that we might be able to reduce our “rain tax” if we can find a way to reduce runoff at the Deep Creek parking lot and that there may be grant money to do that.

Treasurer: Governor Myers said that most of the revenues are on track to be collected. Notably shy is “interest income”. This item should be budgeted at a much lower level, given the lack of interest earned over the past few years. Items that are paid at one time, or in two installments are paid, with some slightly higher than anticipated (property taxes due to “rain tax”) and some, like audit expenses, on target. Custodial Services has been spent out, as has “telecommunications”, which is troubling, as the reports are projections through April. Other line items are going to have to be tapped to continue to spend in these needed areas. As these amounts are rather trivial, there is no cause for concern. Just wanted to point out that as we near the end of the fiscal year, we’ll have expenditures over budget and line items under budget.

Events: Governor Myers noted that the Strawberry Festival is upon us and the Strawberry Festival Committee has advertised the event and is seeking participants in the various contests. The Events Committee has applied for a parade permit for the 4th of July celebration and continues to meet and plan the events for the day. Several shopping center businesses have offered items to raffle and will sell tickets. Anyone wanting to help can contact her at events@cscia.org.

Buildings: Governor Gardner said there is nothing new to report on either the 1128 or 1135 Long Point Terrace issues. She has been in contact with the developers of one resident's former properties regarding well setback issues.

Budget: Chairman Buchet said the committee met last month and will meet again when they hear from the Board.

Piers: Governor Biondi thanked the CSCIA maintenance crew and helper for getting water back to the piers. He has an estimate of \$2,800 to \$3,000 for repairing two pilings and some planking at Lake Claire. He said that 95% of the slips are rented and revenues are in. There are many slip moves going on. People still need to be made aware of mud slip availability.

Website: Governor Newman offered to help any member with posting to the website, and noted that the office has a new PC.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said rentals are going well and new contracts are going out this month to all Cape recognized organizations. Sidewalk replacement is still in the planning and budgeting stage. She showed a sketch of a sign she is putting on River Bay to identify the Clubhouse, similar to the sign on Green Holly, and said that she will see if the Garden Club might be interested in planting and maintaining the sign area. She noted that Community Cleanup is June 27 and 28 and she is looking for volunteers to work with the County workers.

Caper: Governor Lamb said the Caper continues to struggle with late submissions, and she would like all of the 4th of July information and forms by the weekend. She is sending out advertising contracts this month offering a discount for a 10 month contract with payment. She also said that we may be able to get a convertible for the Strawberry Princess to ride in at the July 4th parade.

Security: Governor Breeden said a couple of boats were untied at Lake Claire and there has been some vandalism to the porta potty there. The Coordination with the BLOA Security and CSCIA Security Officers and Committee has been well received by shop owners and it has resulted in trespassing charges for those violating entering the shopping center. Graffiti is becoming an issue, with a minor incident at the clubhouse, another today on the fishing pier, behind the shopping center and also on the well pump house. He is going to try and have one of our community service kids put in 12 hours time at the Strawberry Festival dealing with trash and cleanup. He said that candidates' night with the CSCIA and the BCC was a success with 70 plus attendees, plus 10 running delegates and the sitting Senator. There were 5 minute introductions from each, a 10 minute discussion from Senator Reilly, 5 minutes each from Delegates Vitale and McConkey on the recent session and a 45 minute moderated Q&A with audience participation. There are additional Roundtables planned both with County and State officials. We may hold another candidates' night in the fall.

He has been meeting with members of the BLOA dealing with the water main issues and connection charges. There has been a proposal to create a Special Benefit District to borrow for the costs. The BLOA and CSCIA will need to work closely to get the best deal for the businesses in the shopping center.

Governor Breeden noted that the high connection fees are used to pay off loans for prior infrastructure work, and that businesses are charged more as they are assumed to use more water than residences. There is another meeting on June 9th with the BLOA to discuss costs and ways of reducing them. The plan is to get Councilman Ladd involved to try and get the County Code changed to allow for commercial financing, and we need to apply political pressure. In any case, the businesses do not have to connect to County water right away.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Dembowski wrote that the contract for the sidewalk at the main beach has been signed and the contractor expects to finish before the Strawberry Festival. As part of the permitting process, the county is requiring us to plant 39 shrubs at the main beach and to post an approximately \$2,000 bond. Small amounts of vandalism have started to occur which is normal for this time of the year. Beach Attendants will start working weekends beginning May 17th. Regular maintenance of the beaches and parks is ongoing and so far this year there have been more volunteers willing to help maintain and improve the beaches and parks.

Relevant to B&P, Clubhouse, Security and Strawberry Festival – Governor Breeden and Governor Dembowski have made an offer to one of the young men who owes us more community service hours as part of his sentencing for trespassing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Governor Biondi said that filming at Lake Claire will begin Sunday night, and most filming will take place at night.

Governor Breeden said that Broadneck Cantina raised \$5,000 for the Leukemia Society on Cinco de Mayo. He also mentioned the pavers going in at the Main Beach. They will extend for 105 feet, past the light pole and taper from 14 feet down to 4 feet.

Governor Lamb said that there is not enough money to start the sidewalk repair before July 1.

Governor Breeden said he was planning for a CSCIA tent at the Strawberry Festival, perhaps showing off memorabilia of the Cape in the past to celebrate its 65th year. He will also put out a suggestion box.

NEW BUSINESS:

Governor Newman started a discussion regarding all that Sam Gallagher, former BOG member and three-time Association president, had done for the Cape, including his work as piers chairman, starting the preservation of Goshen Farm, and working on Cape history, by-laws, and covenants. Governor Newman said that he would write an article for the Caper about him, and mentioned that the Board needed to find some way to honor him with a permanent memorial.

Governor Vaccaro noted all of the full doggy bags that people are just leaving on the ground, particularly at Lake Claire. She suggested putting in a pet waste station, which she will discuss with governor Dembowski.

Governor Biondi thanked Governor Breeden for the points he made in the last Caper, which led to a discussion of the constant running of stop signs in the Cape.

ADJOURNMENT:

Governor Biondi moved that the Board adjourn. The motion was seconded by Governor Hazen and approved unanimously. The May 12, 2014 regular monthly meeting of the CSCIA Board of Governors was adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Present were Governors Biondi, Breeden, Gardner, Hazen, Lamb, Myers, Newman, and Vaccaro. Also present was Budget Committee chairman Buchet. Absent were Governors Dembowski and Snow.