

BOG Meeting October 12, 2020

In attendance were: Governors Bill Szczytko, Dawn Myers, Jeff Roche, Beau Breeden, Mary Lamb, Cheri Fairchild, Lisa Schmidt, Jerome Zadera. Matt Layman and Neil Macindoe, Town Manager Ryan Anderson, Budget Committee members Michael Buchet and Charlie Moore, and guests Becky Benner, Stacey Wildberger, Bob Bishop, and Sam Papps.

President Szczytko called the meeting to order in an online session of GoToMeeting at 7:31 pm. He reported that the pier at the property on River Bay Rd. was removed last week, 6 months after it was installed.

Minutes of September 14, 2020 were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Governor Lamb, seconded by Governor Fairchild and unanimously approved.

The P&L statement of August 31, 2020 was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Governor Roche. Governor Breeden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Manager- Town Manager Anderson reported all but one outstanding vegetation management plan have been closed. All swim buoys have been removed, cleaned and stored in the Deep Creek shed. Several portable restrooms will be removed November 1, leaving one each at Lake Claire, Main Beach and Deep Creek. There is one maintenance crew member working and one on a leave of absence. He is pricing wood chips for replenishing the playgrounds next spring. Representatives from Cape Conservation Corps and CSCIA met with Joe Ports of the county Watershed Protection and Restoration Project at Lake Claire Drive and Poplar Tree Drive regarding Bush Killer vines. Tuesday morning yoga on the beach began October 6. The My Brother's Pantry benefit on September 16 went well. The clubhouse water passed the bacteria test after chlorination and a UV treatment system was installed. Aerobics class started back on October 1 on Thursdays only. Clubhouse rentals are occurring with the conditions of 50% capacity, no one-day liquor licenses and therefore no alcohol, and masks in any shared spaces when not actively eating or drinking. The Cape Clean Up went well with directing from the beach attendants. Revenue from the clubhouse is at about 3% of budget expectations after 90 days of the fiscal year. The electrician prepared the guard shack for electricity and BGE has not yet set a date for connection. The piers committee had their last meeting for the year on October 6 and set a workday for November 21. Water lines are to be winterized on Nov 23. The gate code for Lake Claire will be changed and the functionality of Little Magothy Pier lock checked. There were building permit complaints regarding 1210 River Bay Rd. We still have 3 of 4 security officer positions filled and 23 of 31 days of October covered. The triennial riparian rights and land use letters were mailed October 1 except for 3 for homes that have recently sold. When the Maryland SDAT website has been updated with new owner information, those will be sent. The auditor will submit his report to the county on October 13. There will be some movement of SCBD funds to the non-SCBD part of the books after discussion with the county auditor.

Beaches and Parks: Eagle Scout candidate Sam Papps reported on his project to install Leopold benches with quote plaques at the Serene Ravine. Home Depot donated all the lumber and hardware. Sam asked CSCIA for a \$100 donation to purchase breakfast and lunch for volunteers on the day of installation. Governor Macindoe said that he had met with Sam and approved the plans. He made a motion to use \$100 from Miscellaneous Expenses to cover food. That motion was seconded by Lisa Schmidt and passed unanimously. Governor Breeden said that the beaches are quiet except for requests to have outdoor events.

Budget: Governor Zadera reported that the \$50,000 grant check from US Fish and Wildlife should arrive soon. Once all paperwork was submitted, he was locked out of the system but that the funds should be received about 10 days after completion which was October 6. Governor Breeden said he would follow up if the check does not arrive this week. Governor Zadera expressed reservations over the movement of funds between SCBD and non-SCBD.

Covenants: Governor Layman reported two complaints were resolved. Governor Myers reported that Delegate Heather Bagnall submitted information to legislative drafters to develop a bill to prevent the county from repeating the problem that led to the River Bay Road pier and riparian rights issue. County Councilwoman Amanda Fiedler may be asked to get involved as well. It is hoped that a bill will be ready by the November deadline as the Senate will not vote on bills not pre-filed.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said the permit for installation of electricity at the guard shack was approved and that there is an accompanying letter stating that it is on county property. The Cape Clean Up on September 18 & 19 went well with only one small incident involving the Boy Scouts and an accidentally damaged windshield. The Scouts took responsibility for it and assumed the repair costs. The day went well for them otherwise and was a successful fundraiser.

Caper: Governor Lamb requested that articles be submitted for the next edition.

Buildings: Governor Roche announced that it remains a busy year with building permits.

Events: Governor Fairchild reported a reduced Halloween Happenings, and a hope for the children's sing along and the Christmas Tree lighting. Governor Lamb added that the pumpkin patch and other events were canceled at the recommendation of the insurance provider. A pumpkin is being displayed each day in front of the clubhouse for residents to guess its weight. A Charlie Brown and The Great Pumpkin float will "parade" around the Cape on October 24 or 25. Breakfast with Santa will be advertised in the next Caper and she expects that it will occur but with smaller seatings.

Piers: Governor Breeden reiterated the dates for removal of portable restrooms and for water line blowout.

Security: Governor Breeden said that a fourth security officer will be available in November to fill in some of the dates currently being covered by Governors and the Town Manager.

Technology: President Szczytko reported that he is testing different platforms for holding the next quarterly meeting. He asked for volunteers from the Board to help test polls and votes.

OLD BUSINESS

Governor Breeden announced receipt of the permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for Site #2 Lake Claire beach restoration, which means he can submit the final permit application with Anne Arundel County. There have been phone conversations with our partners as the complexity of the project moves more into their areas of expertise. A competitive document has been prepared for submission by October 15 for another potential \$100K grant from US Fish and Wildlife. The \$250K grant awarded from the DNR Capital Waterways will be accepted by Anne Arundel County and then passed to the Cape. Legislators Bagnall and Reilly may have to get involved again to ensure that the Cape interests are protected. The Little Magothy River Association will do their biannual dredge and the plan is to use that sand to create the salt marsh areas at both Cape sites. With the March 1 estimated start date for the Cape project being after the dredge date, we may need to adjust the county permit to include temporary storage of sand. Governor Breeden is reviewing costs and approval for use of funds and will report new figures as he gets them. The former liaison with Alliance for the Chesapeake is being replaced with a three-person team of Laura Todd, Amanda Bland and Kate Fritz. He is also developing a timeline type document to post that will show the history of the project, complete with links to plans.

NEW BUSINESS

President Szczytko reported that the coordinator of the My Brother's Pantry drive thru event was pleased with how that went and is requesting more similar events, all to benefit that charity. She would like to hold a drive through pie sale in November and potentially a professional photographer for family portraits as well as a gingerbread house decorating contest in December.

Governor Zadera presented the proposed FY2022 budget. Governor Breeden stated that the FY2019 information had been added so that a two-year comparison could be made. The SCBD assessment, with a cap of \$200, was not changed from its current \$195 for FY2022 but it is proposed that the cap be raised to \$225 in case of need in later years. The budget as presented showed a gain under \$400 and Budget Committee Chairperson Buchet recommended that it be amended to balance completely. Governor Breeden made a motion that the Miscellaneous Expense line be increased to make a net zero budget and it be approved with that change. It was seconded by Governor Zadera and passed unanimously. The accompanying letter of explanation and proposal of the SCBD assessment cap increase was presented by Governor Breeden. Clerical errors were noted and Governor Breeden made a motion that the letter be approved with the correction of those errors before publication in the Caper. It was seconded by Governor Lamb and passed unanimously.

COMMENTS

Stacy Wildberger reported the Cape Conservation Corps (CCC) Native Plant sale in September went very well, social distancing rules were followed and that all plants were sold within the first hour. More plants will be ordered for their next sale. The Unity Garden grant was used to purchase shrubs and ferns that will be planted on October 17 from 9-11 am and 3-5 pm at the Serene Ravine. Several Scouts and high school students have signed up as volunteers. They are finalizing plans with Sam Papps and have also been approached by another Eagle Scout candidate who will be asked to build nesting boxes on site. Weed Warriors will continue to work at the Serene Ravine on Wednesdays through the first week of November. A date to spread mulch will be set later.

Becky Benner reported that the Garden Club seed and cutting exchange went very well, that everyone respected the distancing rules. The annual harvest dinner will be held at the beach on October 18 with dinner boxes by Broadneck Grill. The annual

wreath making will supply 2 wreaths for Lawyer's Mall in Annapolis and 5 wreaths for the clubhouse doors and the guard shack door. Their next meeting will be held via Zoom due to darkness. She also reported for Goshen Farm, saying that the next meeting will be in March 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Governor Fairchild to adjourn and move to a closed session. It was seconded by Governor Roche and approved unanimously. The October 12, 2020 meeting of the CSCIA Board of Governors was adjourned to a closed session at 8:21 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

A closed session was convened at 8:22 pm and adjourned at 8:52 pm. Regular session adjourned at 8:53 pm.