BOG Meeting November 9, 2020

In attendance were: Governors Dawn Myers, Jeff Roche, Beau Breeden, Mary Lamb, Cheri Fairchild, Lisa Schmidt, Jerome Zadera and Neil Macindoe, Town Manager Ryan Anderson, Budget Committee member Charlie Moore, and guests Phil Ourisson, Bob Bishop, Michele Shipley and Lonnie Heflin.

Governor Myers called the meeting to order in an online session of GoToMeeting at 7:31 pm. She reported that she is working with County Councilwoman Amanda Fiedler on a council bill to prevent riparian right issues such as the Cape encountered. While Ms. Fiedler seems to understand the issue, finding the correct wording to create a bill that speaks more to what NOT to do is challenging.

Governor Roche introduced two variance requests. The first is a revisit of a previously approved variance to allow a garage to be built 9 feet from the property line instead of the 10-foot setback in the building code. Owner Rose Stocker was informed by Anne Arundel County that the plans as drawn would put the structure closer than the required 30 feet from her neighbor's well. That code had been increased from the prior 20-foot requirement. The new plans call for the garage to be deeper into the lot and 7 feet from the property line to maintain an entrance directly from the main house to the garage with space for a car. The second variance was for an 8-foot-high section of fence at 1150 Skyway on one side of the yard. Owner Lonnie Heflin said that he would like to avoid confrontation with the neighbor whose business activities are causing traffic, unpleasant views and noise. He has invested in landscaping that will grow to hide the fence over time. Further discussion and voting would occur in closed session.

Minutes of the October 12, 2020 BOG meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Governor Breeden, seconded by Governor Lamb and unanimously approved.

The P&L statement of September 30, 2020 was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Governor Fairchild. Governor Zadera seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Manager-Town Manager Anderson reported one outstanding vegetation management. Several portable restrooms were removed and all to be gone by November 25. There is one maintenance crew member working and one on a leave of absence. The clubhouse is still operating with the conditions of 50% capacity, no one-day liquor licenses and therefore no alcohol, masks in any shared spaces when not actively eating or drinking and the modified cleaning contract. The guard shack interior wiring is complete and awaiting connection by BGE. The piers committee will not have any meetings until March and have a workday on November 21. Water lines are to be winterized on Nov 23. The gate code for Lake Claire is to be changed and a replacement part is needed. He is working with the Board on building permit complaints regarding 1210 River Bay Rd and 1312 Breezeway. We still have 3 of 4 security officer positions filled and 15 of 30 days of November covered, with Governor Macindoe and Mr. Anderson filling in the remaining open slots. The triennial riparian rights and land use letters have prompted 5 inquiries which he is addressing with assistance from the attorney. Mr. Anderson is looking through archives for any past riparian rights issue correspondence. The county audit was accepted and the first SCBD installment check should arrive soon. A final plan for handling the in person and electronic voting for Governors and the budget in January is needed. The insurance coverage is being reviewed. There will likely be an increase in the amount for worker's compensation. Depreciation has been included for the pump-out machine and the tractor. Building and property levels will remain the same.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Breeden reported the work on the memorial bench and Eagle Scout projects.

Budget: Governor Zadera reported that the budget proposal presented at the quarterly membership meeting will be published in the next Caper. He will check the status of the approved US Fish and Wildlife grant.

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

Caper: Governor Lamb requested that the Board in Brief, the ballot, and bios for those up for reelection be submitted by November 20 for printing in the next issue of the Caper.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said that there are few rentals, but we are doing the best we can to rent the clubhouse with the restrictions necessary.

Covenants: No report

Events: Governor Fairchild reported continuing planning for the Christmas tree lighting, stating the desire to understand what is and is not allowed. Governor Lamb announced that the permit for electricity at the guard shack was approved, the Charlie Brown and The Great Pumpkin float parade was successful, and that Breakfast with Santa will be canceled.

Piers: Governor Breeden reiterated the dates for removal of portable restrooms, installation of ice eaters and for water line blowout. He will contact Burt Walsh regarding maintenance at the large pier at Deep Creek. There are about 12-15 outer pilings originally installed 40-60 years ago that need replacement. Budgeted capital improvement funds will be used, and all tidal permits will be obtained.

Security: See Town Manager report.

Technology: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Governor Breeden reported the status of funding for the beach restoration projects, noting the latest grant and that about \$175,000 can now be used at Site #2 instead of Site #1. The county is working with the state to obtain the \$250,000 grant for salt marsh creation. The Little Magothy River Association's dredge permit dates may necessitate temporary storage of sand on Cape property for 60-90 days before creation of the salt marsh areas. An amended contract is needed for Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. Governor Breeden is working with the attorney on any legal issues. He is inquiring about the due dates for installment payments for the project. Of the \$650,000 available on the loan, about \$125,000 has been used. The entire cost of the projects is expected to be well below original projections.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations for the Budget Committee are due November 20, 2020.

COMMENTS

Phil Ourisson reported for the Cape Conservation Corps (CCC) that plants purchased with the Unity Garden grant were planted in October at the Serene Ravine. They are working on installing a sign about the Unity Garden and finalizing plans for Sam Papps' Eagle Scout bench project. Weeding is done for the year, mulching of the path is still planned.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Governor Fairchild to adjourn and move to a closed session. It was seconded by Governor Breeden and approved unanimously. The November 9, 2020 meeting of the CSCIA Board of Governors was adjourned to a closed session at 8:00 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

A closed session was convened at 8:02 pm and adjourned at 8:38.