

## BOG Meeting January 10, 2021

In attendance online: President Jeff Roche, Governors Beau Breeden, Neil Macindoe, Cheri Fairchild, Michele Shipley, Dawn Myers, Bill Szczytko, Lisa Schmidt and Mary Lamb, Town Manager Ryan Anderson, budget committee member Charlie Moore and guests Becky Benner, Stacy Wildberger, Bob Bishop, Steve Arnold, Anna Arnold, Brad Knopf, Bill Rappaport and Michael Travers.

President Roche called the online meeting to order at 7:32 pm. He thanked all for attending, adding that it has been a busy month with holidays, snow days, Covid and the beach project.

### MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Minutes of the December 13, 2021 BOG meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Governor Fairchild, seconded by Governor Breeden, and approved unanimously.

The financial statement for November 2021 was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Governor Breeden, seconded by Governor Macindoe, and unanimously approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Beaches and Parks:** Governor Breeden reported that he will work with Governor Macindoe to ensure that posted rules and regulations are consistent among the website and beach/pier properties.

**Business Lot Owners Association:** See Town Manager's report.

**Broadneck Council of Communities:** Governor Breeden announced the meeting with the state highway administration to discuss access roads, Bay Bridge project, Sandy Point Park and traffic with a possible national park near the Chesapeake Bay Foundation will be held in February. He will attend the Stakeholders Advisory Committee meeting for the Broadneck area on January 24. He will get information on items such as polls for residents on priorities for the area.

**Budget:** Governor Breeden said that the budget committee can use new members and if any residents are interested in learning more about the community and how it operates, the budget committee is a great way to be involved and learn.

**Building:** President Roche said shared file issues have caused delays in the application process, other board business has taken priority, and after the January 11 meeting, he and co-chair Governor Shipley will address the backlog of applications.

**Caper:** Governor Lamb said the Caper was posted online timely but mailed later than expected.

**Clubhouse:** Governor Lamb reported some rental cancellations due to the resurgence of Covid cases. She will wait and see how mandates change before deciding if restrictions need to be reinstated.

**Covenants:** No report.

**Events:** Governor Lamb announced the next event will be the Easter egg hunt. She has not received any information on the Cape Cleanup and does not know if it will occur this year.

**Legislative:** No report.

**Piers:** Governor Breeden reported the Deep Creek large pier project has been completed. New contracts will be sent to slip holders at the end of the month.

**Security:** Governor Breeden said that one officer was out with Covid.

**Strawberry Festival:** Governor Lamb said planning is going strong.

**Technology:** Governor Szczytko said he has done some website updates and posted the Caper. Subscription to the email blasts is over 125 people. He will test the Slido voting app for the annual meeting in closed session.

**Town Manager-** Town Manager Anderson reported a lot of snow damage to trees. Richard's Tree Care cleared downed branches and took down badly damaged trees and a dead tree that had been slated for removal. He and Governor Breeden will attend the February 10 court hearing regarding a trespassing incident. The invoice for the second spraying of herbicide on the Bushkiller vine at the Serene Ravine was passed to the Cape Conservation Corps. A location is to be chosen for the educational sign for the beach project. It might be added to the original permit as a minor modification instead of requiring a new permit. The \$44,000 principal payment on the project loan will be auto drafted February 13. Funds have been set aside for the monthly interest payments. The new CSCIA president will have a Caper article due in 2 days. Letters for renewal have been sent to slip holders and new contracts are due March 18. A common issue is that some boat owners do not renew their Department of Natural Resources registrations before sending in contracts. An administrative fee is charged for incomplete contracts. Water at the piers was shut off. The piers waitlist is 92 people. The gate lock at the Little Magothy pier is having intermittent issues that the locksmith is working on. The Lake Claire lock will be replaced in the spring. There is

still no answer regarding the Lake Claire beach project fee in lieu of for underwater vegetation removal fees for a spur dredge at Deep Creek. Walsh and Son completed the replacement of 11 pilings and about 100 feet of ledgers, stringers and decking at the Deep Creek large pier. Mr. Anderson reminded everyone that the project was planned for fiscal year 21 (FY21) so financial reports will show the large expenditure in FY22, but funds were available from the prior budget year. Due to changes in the cloud storage for documents, they are accessible but not shareable, making working on building plans difficult. He will work with Governor Szczytko to correct. While we have 4 of 4 security positions filled, one office has been off the schedule, and one was out possibly with Covid. Outdoor dining was extended until January of 2023. There was snowstorm tree damage at the Swim Club. Trees and bamboo were removed by Richard's. The \$261,000 SCBD check was received. The insurance policies were renewed, and premiums paid, with only a slight increase (<2%) to the liability policy. Ballots for voting on governors and the budget must be turned in by the start of the Annual Meeting on January 11, 2022. The annual maintenance fee postcards were taken to the post office but very few residents have received them and only one has been paid.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Governor Breeden said the latest phase of the Site 1 beach project began with approximately 1200 yd<sup>3</sup> of sand dredged from the Little Magothy River spread on the main beach. It has created excitement and people have visited the beach to watch the progress. The beach remains closed, please stay safely behind the construction fencing. While waiting for final permitting, work moved to Site 2 where root balls are being installed for fish habitat. The tidal wetlands modification was approved January 5 so work will shift back to the cobble bar and groin, which must be completed by the January 21 deadline. Barges are to arrive January 11 with materials. Due to holidays, snow days and extreme low tides, there have been disruptions to the schedule. If weather and tides continue to be an issue and the work cannot be completed on time, we can apply for extensions. Work not completed by February 15 must be postponed until October. Site 2 will be restarted once Site 1 work ends. He noted that coordinating the many departments of the county, state and Army Corps of Engineers has been difficult, especially with Covid causing the closure of physical offices and reliance on emails for most communication. This has pushed the timeline from the original plan, but it is hoped all work will be done in February, with replanting to occur in the spring. Governor Breeden added that the \$250,000 bond bill check was received after about 6 months of following the process to have the physical check prepared. He is working on the process for the other \$250,000 allocated by the state. Our \$975,000 portion of the contract with Alliance of the Chesapeake has been completed and expected costs are within \$357 of the original contract. It includes about \$72,000 for contingencies. The contract end date was extended from 12/31/2021 into 2022. President Roche reiterated the difficulties in acquiring the bond bill check and thanked Governor Breeden for his tenacity and for navigating the system.

**NEW BUSINESS** No new business was discussed.

#### **COMMENTS**

Stacy Wildberger reported the second invoice for herbicide spraying was paid by Cape Conservation Corps (CCC). They will be weeding at the rain garden at the Little Magothy Beach and Serene Ravine. She will ask the Beaches and Parks committee for permission to plant ground under a tree near the rain garden at Little Magothy beach. If approved, she will apply for a Unity Garden grant for funding. There is a new Watershed Steward candidate, Lydia McPherson-Shamberger, who grew up in the Cape and would like to continue the work at Deep Creek begun by Jeanne Martin. Mrs. Wildberger will work with her to plan for an October event to remove invasive species and plant native. She added that Broadneck Grill will have a CCC fundraiser night on January 19 from 5-9 pm with 10% of proceeds going to CCC.

Becky Benner reported that Goshen Farm is installing fencing for a children's nature play space behind the wildlife pond. It will feature attractions for children aged 3-8 such as logs to climb, tunnels, play sand boat, and mud pie table. The farm will participate in Maryland Day, a statewide event scheduled for March 25-27. A limited number of tickets will be available for touring the farmhouse and gardens from 10am-noon and 1-3pm. Depending on Covid restrictions, the Java & Jazz, Teas & Tunes event will be held at the clubhouse on March 13.

Becky Benner reported the Garden Club has no January meeting and the February meeting will be held virtually. It will feature a guest speaker, landscaper and horticulturist Claire Jones, to discuss seed sowing and vegetable garden/ cutting garden prep. They are hoping for a workshop in March.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Governor Szczytko to adjourn and move to a closed session, seconded by Governor Shipley and approved unanimously. The January 10, 2022 CSCIA Board of Governors meeting was adjourned to closed session at 8:11 pm.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

A closed session was convened at 8:13 pm and adjourned at 9:07 pm. The regular session of the January 10, 2022 meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm.