

East Ocean View Civic League

Minutes of meeting held February 2, 2017 at the East Ocean View Recreation Ctr.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ann Bolen, President.

Treasurer's Report was given by Jeff Lewis

Total Assets	\$3,745.12
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$3,745.12

Notes: Income from ad sales, \$501.00; income from dues \$545.00

A detailed financial statement is available on request of Ann Bolen, President.

Police Report

Officer Folscher, our Community Resource Officer (CRO) reported that there were eleven incidents in our area last month, compared to twenty one incidents last year at this time. These included: 1 residential burglary, 2 stolen vehicles, and 1 larceny from a vehicle. Officer Folscher reported that 120 vehicles in the area were written up for various infractions, including 23 towed for parking issues.

He reported that they are working on truancy during the day and curfew at night. The new sheriff, Sheriff Baron, introduced himself and will be a future speaker.

Guest Speaker: Eric Hartley from the Virginian Pilot

Mr. Hartley made an engaging presentation and shared how to notify the paper if you have a good story to share. He stressed good news was needed, too.

NEW OCEAN VIEW PROJECTS

Our first presenter was Vince Ranhorn who explained a new restaurant opening in the old "Blue Crab" building sometime in April. They need to get a special exception permit from the City to sell "off site" beer and wine. They will have 40 taps in the restaurant and will focus on food and not the selling of beer and liquor. 30-40 jobs being created with seating accommodating 75 inside. They plan to open in April and food will be available for carry out. Their hours will be 11-1pm. There was unanimous endorsement by membership.

Our next presenter was Michael Lancaster of Spinx Builders. Michael shared his vision for a new townhouse community to be located behind the McDonalds on Little Creek and Shore Drive. Michael needs community support for a special exception to build 23 townhouse units on the lots that are zoned for 8 single family homes. The project includes 26 units; \$265K for 3 story townhouses. Concern was for lack of parking for guests and additional cars. Members approved of the project with a vote of 25 yes and 2 no votes.

Our final presenter was Trevor Spiers of EDC Homes. EDC wishes to purchase the land located behind Mona Lisa's, where the trailer park used to be on Pleasant and the lot behind the 7/11 that goes to 21st Street from NRHA. They wish to know if they have the community's support for this project to build 73 condos and 27 townhouses. Membership had concerns about the setback on Shore Drive. The developers envision a 15 foot setback and that is too close. Target is millennials and empty nesters. Our membership wants a grocery store on the site but have been told that it won't happen. Neighbors to the property on 20th Bay expressed concern with the height and setbacks and there were concerns voiced about high density. The members did give their approval with three dissenting votes but the parking issue is still of concern as well as the high density.

Old Business

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Berry and Jimmy Carter have agreed to lead the EOVC Codes Committee. This is a big task but one made lighter if members who regularly walk in our community agree to give them a hand. They would like to speak with any volunteers and see if you can be their eyes as you walk the community. Just that, take a pencil and pen and note a problem and email them while you walk around.

Volunteer Opportunities- We will continue to have a sign-up list at the meetings. We need all the help we can get. Please check the list and see if there is any way you can help us for a one-time job or something that is on-going.

Audit Committee- This small group is underway and will have a report for the community next month. I'd like to thank Alice Webley from the board, Willie Smith and Frank Johnson from membership for stepping up and taking this task on for our civic league.

Beach Sand Replenishment has been delayed. Per last report, the equipment should be moved into place in late February with the sand to start moving in March.

New Business

The Wetlands Stewardship project- PHASE 2 is to be located on the left side of the pier and down 80' toward the Bridge and is scheduled to happen this spring. They need our support in helping to plant native grasses and restore the shoreline. If you are interested in helping please contact Ann Marie Dori.

Azalea Middle School is looking for volunteers. There will be a blurb in the newsletter that we are hoping will be produced SOON (was hoping by today) but the newsletter will be hot off the press next week and you can pick up a copy here at REC center, at the libraries, or at our advertisers. They will also be available next month at our meeting and they are also posted on the website. If you can help them, please volunteer.

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OV Restaurant Week was supported last year but never got off the ground. Economic Development is going to focus on OV this spring. Do we have a volunteer who would look into coordinating this type of event to support our local restaurants? *Patrick Riley, new to EB agreed to take this on.*

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Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 2, 2017.

Please check our website regularly for information about our area and what is occurring here.

A motion was made and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Ann M. Freeman, Secretary

{with major help from Steve Chamberlain}