

MEETING MINUTES

THE PLACID BAY CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 2, 2024

Attendees: Bob McCarthy, President; Sam Lewis, Vice President; Jim Rogers, Treasurer; Mario Haggerty, Secretary; Ken Doctor; Dave Roberts

Not in Attendance: Rich Smail

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT AT 6:30 PM

The Minutes of the November 2024 meeting were approved.

II. ACKNOWLEDGE AND ADDRESS VISITORS

President, Bob McCarthy welcomed the following visitors: Frank and Susan Clark, Dottie McCarthy, Tod Porthouse, and Butch Foutz.

III. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Bob McCarthy (President) reported that the SMART TV would be delivered in two days then be ready to install in the Venue. He also reported that on November 13 the Westmoreland County Board of Supervisors hired James P. Taylor as the new County Administrator. His term was effective December 1, 2024.

Mr. McCarthy reminded the Board that the January 2025 meeting will focus on changes in membership fees. His current thoughts include \$25/person, \$50/family and \$75-\$100 for a boat ramp key and sticker. He also suggested using a business card to allow members to attend events and present a card for discounts, and to provide members with the choice to use a credit card and pay electronically for membership. He asked Board members to have ideas ready to be presented so that the Board can reach a consensus and make any necessary changes before the Annual Membership Meeting and before the new Fiscal Year.

Mr. McCarthy discussed a renter's request to set up the Venue in December to get an idea of how they will set up for their 2025 June event. The Board voted unanimously to allow the rental to use the Venue.

Mr. McCarthy suggested the Social Committee consider some golf cart events for the community.

Sam Lewis (Vice President) updated information he has been receiving from Westmoreland County Engineer Specialist, Dave Taylor. Mr. Taylor estimates that the cost of materials for piping both drainage ways on Holly Way is approximately \$2,500, though he has not yet been able to confirm the amount with VDOT. Mr. Taylor indicated that he has had no feedback from the owner on conditions acceptable to them to sign the drainage easement agreement. He also reached out to David Beale and Carter White of VDOT to inquire if they have updates, but they have none. David Beale contacted the owner to get an update from her, and there is currently no additional information available. Mr. Taylor also reported that he has not "pushed" on the developer's lot easement and is waiting on the final configuration for the owner's easement.

Jim Rogers (Treasurer) provided the full Treasurer's Report via email to Board Members prior to the meeting. Mr. Rogers provided a brief overview of the report. Mr. Rogers reminded the Board that the County requires a proposal regarding the dollar amounts needed for road and dam repairs sent to Ms. Fry, Treasurer and David Taylor, County Engineer as soon as possible so that they can include it in the County budget. He reported that David Roberts has drafted some ideas and suggested that the Board meet very soon to address this budget issue. The Board set a date to meet in an informal working session.

Mario Haggerty (Secretary) updated the Board on upcoming events: Breakfast with Santa December 7; Popcorn and Movie Night, January 10; the Soup-a-Bowl Party, February 9. The Social Committee was scheduled to meet virtually at the conclusion of this Board meeting. Mr. Haggerty noted that a movie had not been selected for the January 10 event. He further reported that the January and February events will be fundraisers. The Popcorn and Movie night will be \$1.00/person, and the Soup-a-Bowl party admission will be to bring a soup to share, or \$5.00/person.

Ken Doctor volunteered to represent Placid Bay in the Roads Lead position for liaison with the Sanitary District and VDOT roads issues and will chair the upcoming informal roads meeting.

Mr. Doctor agreed to contact an HVAC technician to check out the Venue heating system to help determine the reason it is so loud when heating.

David Roberts provided updates on beaver control. A trapper reviewed the dams and suggested he would put traps out for five days for approximately \$500.00 contract. Mr. Roberts also suggested that the Board might consider and vote on, including:

- accepting the trapper's contract;
- PB doing the work themselves with live traps; or
- removing the brush on the dam that that beavers may be using.

After some debate and comments from visitors, the Board voted against the trapper's contract and for purchasing live traps.

Mr. Roberts inquired if a new sign was required for the street which was renamed by the County. He also reported on the person wishing to obtain service hours by helping the PBCA. To date she has not yet been available to work.

Mr. Roberts also reported that the Roads Lead position advertisement has been posted on several social media posts and the Placid Bay Sanitary District information was posted on the PBCA website, the PBCA Facebook page and it was forwarded to Westmoreland County to add to their website.

Mr. Roberts also reported that Karen has received a list of email contacts for past Venue renters so that we can request pictures of their events and post them on the PBCA Website Venue page as examples of ways they might set up for various events.

Richard Smail reported that on November 8 he requested from the County installation of a street sign and pole at the corner of Ferry Landing Road and Elm Drive.

V. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40 PM

These Minutes were drafted by Karen Griffin Roberts for Secretary, Mario Haggerty.