

**Minutes for the November 11, 2008 Cape Story by the Sea (CSBTS) General Meeting
at the Resort Conference Hotel submitted by Todd Solomon**

Meeting Start: Called to order at 7:30pm by President Empsy Munden. 20 attendees were present.

Special Guest / Program– No special guests or programs conducted this month

Officer Reports:

Secretary Report: Oct 13, 2008 minutes were read by Todd Solomon. One correction noted to change Cape Santa date to Sat. Dec 13th. **A motion to approve the minutes with comment was made by Ginnie Stover and 2nd by Tracey Stover. Motion approved unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report: September report was read by Dave Albis. \$4,048.63 total funds in Cape Story Accounts. \$7,717.24 in fireworks fund.

President's Report Highlights: Welcomed Mark Moore as the new Street Captain for Maple St. and thanked Tracy Estep for her many years of service.

Committee Report Highlights:

- Neighborhood Watch (NW) – Construction has recommenced at the Maple Street site.
- Neighborhood Beautification – Next clean up will be scheduled for Sunday January 11, 2009 at 2pm. All volunteers will meet in the park and clean up the bike path and Shore Drive between Beech St. and Kendall St. along with the area behind Bloom. New trash can lids will be purchased by the City and installed on cans located in the park. CSBTS still needs to meet with the City about switching the can and bench locations on the west side of the park.
- SkipJack – Nov. 15th is deadline for next issue.
- Fireworks – Contract will be signed setting cost of the 2009 show at \$10,000.
- Military Liaison – Suggestion was made to have Empsy invite Fort Story families to participate in Cape Santa event.
- Oyster Roast – Forgotten utensils have been cleaned and can be claimed at Dave Albis' house. Please report the location of any unsold T-shirts to Empsy. It was noted that trash still remained at the park and needed to be cleaned up. Special thanks were given to the fantastic effort made by the Door Prize committee (Cindy Hayes, Phil Morgan and Chris Wood). Two suggestions were made for next year's event, 1) Have a T-shirt design contest to come up with new designs. 2) Hold a membership drive at the event. **A motion was made to move the 2009 oyster roast date to the second Sunday in Nov. (Nov. 8th 2009). Motion made by Dave Albis and 2nd by Tracey Stover. Motion passed unanimously.**

Old Business Highlights

- Neighborhood Signs – Todd Solomon met with the Bayfront Advisory Committee (BAC) about placing our signs near theirs. They didn't have an issue, but weren't going to be of any help. Todd will begin discussions with City Staff on median placement.

New Business Highlights

- Holiday Giving – Nancy Snyder CSBTS coordinator for our families - planning sponsorship of two families and assistance to local families (seeking names if you know someone) DATES: Sunday Nov 23rd- for Thanksgiving Food Baskets and Sunday Dec 14th for Food and Gifts
- Pound pole fishing net license applications - The Virginia Marine Resource Center will hold a public hearing on the first 2 pound net applications on Tuesday Nov. 25th at 1pm in the Newport News office of VMRC. Dirk Sanford (applicant) discussed specifics about the permit he was requesting. He was willing to work with the modified leaders. He stated his livelihood depended on these new permits. He also stated he would probably only fish one of the locations. Other residents expressed their concerns about public safety, recreational impact and increased potential to harm marine life. It was mentioned to Mr. Sanford that CSBTS had already submitted a letter of opposition based on its Oct vote.
- 2009 Membership Drive – **A motion was made by Tracey Stover and 2nd by Matt Angelo to provide a \$100 cash prize to be drawn from the paid members names submitted before July 1st 2009. The motion passed unanimously.**
- General Items – Jeff Bailey brought up the following concerns that should be addressed by CSBTS.
 - The board walk at Sandalwood needs fixed. Empsy will contact Phil Rheors to discuss.
 - Trash pick-up of discarded catamarans still needs to happen. Abandoned boats are still in the dunes.
 - Catamaran accountability needs to happen. CSBTS should champion that boats need to be licensed.
 - A notice should be emailed and included in the next newsletter to remind residents NOT to throw there Christmas trees on the dunes. They only become fire hazards.
- Important Meetings/Dates:
 - VBCCO: November 12- Elections and annual report - City Library www.vbcco.org
 - SDCC - Shore Drive Community Coalition - November 24,, 2008 Monday 7:30PM Ocean Park fire/rescue station.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:26pm **Motion by Dave Albis and 2nd by Matt Angelo. Motion approved unanimously.**