

**Minutes for the June 8, 2009 Cape Story by the Sea (CSBTS) General Meeting
at the Resort Conference Hotel submitted by Todd Solomon**

Meeting Start: Called to order at 7:32 pm by President Empsy Munden. 15 attendees were present.

Special Guest / Program– Bruce Drees, Tidewater Bicycle Association, gave a brief presentation on bicycle safety and bicycle laws. There was also a presentation given by Kristy, an Energy Conservation Specialist from Virginia Natural Gas. She explained ways to make your home more energy efficient. Beginning this past Jan 1st, VNG's Energy Smart program will provide you with a free programmable thermostat or \$25 rebate on any you may purchase. There is also a federal rebate of \$500 on tankless water heater or \$150 on a tank heater rated 6.2 or greater. Go to www.virginianaturalgas.com Energy Smart section for more information.

Officer Reports:

Secretary Report: May 11, 2009 minutes were read by Todd Solomon. **A motion to approve the minutes with no comment was made by Ginnie Stover and 2nd by David Albis. Motion approved unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report: February report was read by Dave Albis. \$15,365 total funds in Cape Story Accounts. \$2,200 was moved from Fireworks into Cape Story account. \$2,305 has been collect this year so far. 231 members.

President: Empsy stated that 111 pounds of trash were collected along Cape Story beach during Clean the Bay Day. Mary Craig did a great job as Cape Story Captain for the event. Troops came in Monday morning, Cape Story had welcome signs and flags set up. Cape Story also received an accommodation from the VA General Assembly regarding our VBCCO award.

1st VP: Great job on last Newsletter. They are out and next deadline is May 15th.

2nd VP: The Clean the Bay Day committee reported that there was less trash this year. Next VBCCO meeting will be the summer picnic at Mt. Trashmore on June 10th. SDCC's June 29th meeting will have a speaker from First Landing State park to discuss what is available at the park and the park's renovation plans for the next year.

Committee Report Highlights:

- Neighborhood Watch (NW) – The next Citizen's Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Wed May 10th at the 2nd precinct. Go chance to discuss neighborhood issues with City representatives.
- Neighborhood Beautification – Next clean up is scheduled for Saturday July 11th at 10am in the park.
- Skipjack – Maps were handed out to street captains to help with distribution assignments.
- Spring Fling – Was held on Sunday May 24th from 4-7pm in the neighborhood park. Attendance was around 100. Light compared to past years, but event was held the day before Memorial Day due to being postponed by rain the previous week.
- Military Liaison – Troops arrived at 9:30am this morning.
- July 4th Celebration Events – Mayor Sessoms was asked to participate, but had made a prior commitment. The parade theme is "The American Revolution". There will also be a \$100 drawing for CSBTS civic association members. Music by the Acoustiholics. Still need volunteers, contact Todd if interested.

Old Business Highlights

- Bike Path Intersection Safety – No updates. Empsy hasn't heard from the City. This needs action.
- Neighborhood Signs – The Bayfront Advisory Committee is reviewing the designs we provided and will be taking the lead on fabrication and installation. It hasn't been determined if the will be located in the median or off the edge of the road in the city right of way.
- Lesner Bridge Replacement – The northern alignment is still in favor and continues to be designed by a City contracted engineering firm.

New Business Highlights

- Important Meetings/Dates:
 - Cape Story Oyster Roast – Sunday Nov. 8th
 - VBCCO: Wed. June 10, 2009 at Mt. Trashmore. www.vbccco.org
 - SDCC - Shore Drive Community Coalition – Monday June 29 at 7:30PM Ocean Park fire/rescue station. First Landing State Park presentation, www.sdcc.info

Meeting Adjourned – 8:45pm **Motion to adjourn made by Ginnie Stover, 2nd by Diana Albis and approved unanimously.**