Minutes for the Sept. 12, 2016 Cape Story by the Sea (CSBTS) General Meeting at the Resort Conference Hotel

(Submitted by Kurt Neitzke)

<u>Meeting Start:</u> Called to order at 7:30PM by the CSBTS President Ms Diana Albis. Approximately 19 attendees were present.

Special Guest / Program: None

Officer Reports:

Treasurer's Report (Dave Albis):

- 1. Sept. 12, 2016 Income/Expense/Balances summary was provided for review and accepted as drafted by Diana Albis
- 2. Dave also noted that the final letter approving the Civic Association's 501(c)(4) status from the IRS has been received. This will save CSBTS considerable money currently paid out (primarily to the City) in the form of event fees, and taxes.

Secretary Report (Kurt Neitzke)

- 1. The June 2016 minutes were posted to the CSBTS website too late for members to review for this meeting. Review and approval of the June minutes was postponed until the October meeting.
- 2. Kurt passed on that the flag volunteer (Mr. Pat McLean) informed that tropical storm Hermine resulted in the loss of several of the flags mounted to telephone poles along Shore Drive. Empsy noted that another CSBTS resident had retrieved a few of the fallen flags after the storm. For next meeting, Empsy will confirm the number of retrieved flags with Pat, and Pat will inform regarding how many new flags are required for purchase.

President's Report (Diana Albis): See comments under Unfinished, and New Business below.

1st VP Report (Empsy Munden):

1. Empsy brought a set of development plans for the site currently occupied by Colley Marine in Ocean Park (adjacent to Froggies Cantina.) The plans were circulated among CSBTS residents present at the meeting to familiarize them with the proposed new residential development.

2nd VP Report: Cathy Sykes: Not in attendance

Past-President's Report (Todd Solomon):

- 1. Based on a presentation at the monthly Shore Drive Community Coalition (SDCC) by Capt. Wilkerson of the Virginia Beach Police Dept., Todd noted that parking along Shore Drive in CSBTS is illegal (prompted by earlier inquiries.)
- 2. Also noted that two fatalities along Shore Drive have occurred this year. One near Pleasure House Rd. where alcohol was involved, and another at Kendal St. where alcohol was not a factor.
- 3. Chris Stolle (our State Delegate to the General Assembly) will be presenting at the next SDCC meeting scheduled for Sept. 26th.

Committees:

Beautification:

- 1. An "Adopt-a-spot" cleanup was proposed for Sat. Oct. 1 for the park, multi-use trail, and Shore Drive.
- 2. It was noted that trash can lids at the park are now open as opposed to closed like they were previously. The result is a stronger, unpleasant odor emanating therefrom. No specific action was decided.

Skipjack (Ginny & Tracy Stover):

- 1. Still looking for someone to take over Skipjack publication duties (Ginny & Tracy stepping down after the Winter Skipjack 2016
- 2. Without a replacement, Skipjack publication will cease.

Military Partnership (Teri Doddy):

- 1. 16 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed among families at Fort Story.
- 2. One family expecting a child, was helped with household furnishings and accessories.

Unfinished Business:

1. Proposed Marina Shores Development:

- a. Ms. Carolyn Smith from the City Dept. of Comprehensive Planning has been the POC for information on the progress of the proposed development.
- b. The City is the conduit between the developer and the Army Corps of Engineers regarding relevant issues including approval of a second road between the proposed development and Lynnhaven Drive.
- c. According to the City, 261 additional dwellings does not warrant a stop light at N. Great Neck, and Lynnhaven Dr.

2. **Flooding Concerns**: Todd Solomon noted:

- a. Wake Forest to First Landing experienced standing water after the July 31 storm, and Tropical Storm Hermine.
- b. Temporary bladder plugs were employed for both events
- c. Flooding along Poinciana between Bayberry & Sandlewood was likely due to clogged drainage grates.
- d. Expected completion of flood gate installation is end of Feb., 2017.

3. Oyster Roast:

- a. Next Oyster Roast Mtg. is scheduled for Thurs. Sept. 21st at Empsy's House.
- b. Oyster Roast Date is Nov. 6th.
- c. Possibility exists for the Roast to be held at the CSBTS Park rather than O'Leary's this year.
- 4. Virginia Beach Coalition of Community Organizations (VBCCO)
 - a. Next mtg. scheduled for Sept. 15 at the Va Bch. Central Library Folio Rm. For a vote on the Event House position statement by the VBCCO.
 - b. The current draft position statement by VBCCO was provided and reviewed by the CSBTS membership present.
 - c. A motion for CSBTS to endorse the position statement was made by Todd Solomon, seconded by Dave Albis.
 - d. The motion passed without dissent, and this will therefore constitute CSBTS's vote at the Sept. 15th VBCCO meeting.

New Business:

- 1. Short-term online home rentals such as AirBnB
 - a. The City is soliciting inputs from citizens regarding personal experience with such rentals.
 - b. City Council is studying regulations for such rentals, with recommendations by the end of Sept.
 - c. To share personal experiences, consult: www.vbgov.com/virtualtownhall.
- 2. Diana shared that an organization exists, called: Open Doors Open Hearts, which provides door hardware to enhance accessibility for people with disabilities to businesses, etc. If interested search online or contact Diana.
- 3. Regina Walace will be resigning as our Neighborhood Watch Coordinator. CSBTS will need to preplace her or risk losing our neighborhood watch signs displayed throughout CSBTS.

<u>Meeting Adjourned</u> – 8:51 pm; A motion to adjourn was made BY Tosh Cahoon and 2nd by Empsy Munden. Motion passed without dissent.