

Minutes for February 9, 2026 Cape Story by the Sea (CSBTS) General Meeting at Lynnhaven Colony Congregational Church submitted by Todd Solomon

Meeting Start: Called to order at 7:38 pm by President Diana Albis. 12 attendees were present.

Special Presentation/Guest: None

Officer Reports:

Secretary Report: January 12, 2026 minutes were presented. **A motion was to approve without change was made by Teri Doddy and 2nd by Will Oakley. The motion passed unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report: The report was presented by Will Oakley and accepted. \$19,289.44 total funds in Cape Story Accounts (\$16,110.55 Checking, \$3,178.89 Savings).

President Report -Diana Albis provided information on the following:

-VB Alert, the City's emergency alert warning system. <https://eccs.virginiabeach.gov/vbalert>

-“Be in the Know” City's newsletter, <https://cloud.mc.virginiabeach.gov/ghbz32hbemp>

-VB Council of Civic Organizations next meeting Wed Feb 18th @ 6:30pm Bowcreek RC.

-City Council meetings at 6pm (1st and 3rd Tuesdays) in Bldg 1. Also on Cox Ch48, Verizon Ch45 and livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL31A7A8D73F3976B9>

-HAWK pedestrian signal construction schedule, May 2026 to March 2027

<https://pw.virginiabeach.gov/roads/transportation-projects/hawk-signals-phase-1>

1st V.P. Report: Empsy Munden provided the following. Flu and Covid vaccines are available. Empsy also informed us that she will be stepping down as an CSBTS officer. Everyone thanked her for the decades of service she had provided to the association.

2nd V.P. Report: No report.

Secretary/Shore Drive Report: Todd Solomon provided updates on the Poinciana Pump Station and Cape Henry Beach Replenishment projects. City SW Engineers will present the pump station plans at a Spring Civic Association meeting. The beach replenishment project was delayed again, set to start Feb 25th. M-Sa, 730am to 430pm work schedule.

Upcoming Meetings:

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) – 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm at Volunteer Rescue Squad Station 14 740 Virginia Beach Blvd.

Bayfront Advisory Commission (BAC) – 3rd Thursday of the month at 3:30pm at Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue.

Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO) –Visit www.vbcco.org for meeting information.

Committees:

Military Liaison – Teri Doddy stated that a young soldier and their family were new to the area is in need of new and used furniture.

Old Business:

Cape Story Park Improvement –Gary Forrest provided an update. Along with the new irrigation system, a new electrical panel is needed. **A motion to spend up to \$1,000 to repair/replace the electrical system was made by Kim Lacroix and seconded by Diana Albis. The motion passed unanimously.** A work date of Sat March 7th at 9am was set to start piping installation and other improvements. An email notice will be sent out asking for volunteers once more detail is finalized. Contact Gary Forrest if interested in helping – garyf9815@gmail.com

Cape Henry Trail Intersection Safety Improvements – President Diana has action and will contact the 8 adjacent homes in hopes of obtaining their approvals prior to submitting to the City for funding support.

Cape Story Park Fencing – City Parks and Rec Dept. removed the wooden fencing in the park. The City plans to keep boundary natural with low vegetation instead of fencing.

Shamrock Marathon March 22nd Volunteers Needed – A dozen volunteers are needed to help at the Ft. Story water station. Team lead is Cathie Sykes at cathiesykes@icloud.com A sign up link will be emailed to membership.

New Business:

Civic Association Officers Desperately Needed – The President, 1st VP and 2nd VP will be stepping down in March. In order for the Association to continue, these positions will need to be filled. Please step up to help.

Spring Fling April 26th – Sean Lacroix presented the following budget for the 2026 Spring Fling. **A motion to spend up to \$1880 for the event was made by Candy Berndt and seconded by Diana Albis. The motion passed unanimously.**

Spring Fling 2025

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Costco	Prize	\$ 18.01
Target	Prizes	\$ 22.24
Sam's Club	Food	\$ 365.08
Dollar Tree	Signage	\$ 9.28
Food Lion	Food	\$ 10.87
Food Lion	Ice	\$ 19.94
Food Lion	Food	\$ 85.94
Face Paint	Face Painter 1	\$ 40.00
Face Paint	Face Painter 2	\$ 40.00
Face Paint	Face Painter 3	\$ 40.00
Astro DJ	Contract Event Services	\$1,481.00
Total Spent ----->		\$2,132.36
Sponsor #1	Check From Terri Doddy	\$ 350.00
Sponsor #2	Check From Bay Tax Accounting	\$ 300.00
Sponsor #3	Check From Terri Doddy	\$ 200.00
Total -----> <i>FIT4 LIFE</i>		\$ 850.00
Total Cost of Spring Fling ----->		\$1,282.36
Proposed Cost ----->		\$1,880.00
Note:	Collected roughly \$200 in donations at the event	

Meeting Adjourned –8:49pm **A motion to adjourn was made by Todd Solomon and 2nd by Will Oakley. Motion passed unanimously.**