

**Minutes for April 13, 2026 Cape Story by the Sea (CSBTS) General Meeting
at Lynnhaven Colony Congregational Church submitted by Todd Solomon**

Meeting Start: Called to order at 7:34 pm by President Diana Albis. 25 attendees were present.

Special Presentation/Guest: None

Officer Reports:

Secretary Report: The March 9, 2026 minutes were presented. **A motion was made by Scott Schubart and 2nd by Candy Berndt to approve the minutes with the following change, Spring Fling end should be 7pm vs 6pm. The motion passed unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report: The report was presented by Will Oakley and accepted. \$18,768.47 total funds in Cape Story Accounts (\$15,589.53 Checking, \$3,178.94 Savings).

President Report -Diana Albis provided information on the following:

-**Shore Drive Phase 3 Road Improvements** – Project ends at Beech St. New lane changes to start 4/14.

-**VB City Council** – Special hearing for City Budget to be held on Wed 4/15 at the Convention Center.

Meetings can be viewed online at <https://virginiabeach.gov/connect/multimedia>

-**VB Council of Civic Organizations** -next meeting Wed April 15th @ 6:30pm Bowcreek Rec Center.

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

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

-Some new issues came up and were discussed at this time. See * items in New Business.

1st V.P. Report: No report.

2nd V.P. Report: No report.

Secretary/Shore Drive Report: Todd Solomon provided updates the following. The City has agreed to attend an upcoming civic association meeting (probably Sept) to present the plans for the **Poinciana Pump Station** upgrade. The **Cape Henry Beach Replenishment** project will use Oak St as a truck route. The project is scheduled to be finished by June 14th. Operations run M-F from 7:30am to 4:30pm. The Bayfront Advisory Commission will have a presentation by Westminster Canterbury regarding modifications to their parking garage.

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 – No report

Cape Kids – Movie Night will be held Sat April 18th at 6pm in the Cape Story Park.

Old Business:

Shamrock Marathon – A big Thank You to Cathie Sykes for coordinating and all the volunteers for helping.

Cape Story Park Improvement –Gary Forrest provided an update. The irrigational system has been repaired. Sod installation is planned Sat May 2nd at 8am. Gary suggested hiring a crew to perform installation for \$800. Current funding for project including GoFundMe is (\$1,000CA+\$2,200GFM+\$1,300CA=\$4,500). Current cost estimate is (\$2,500sod+\$1,300elec box+\$100 sprinkler parts+\$300 aeration=\$4,200). Total cost estimate with proposed installation results in \$5,000. **A motion to approve an additional \$500 to fund the completion of the Park Beautification Project was made by Will Oakley and 2nd by Chris Cahoon. The motion passed unanimously.**

Cape Story Spring Fling – The event is scheduled for Sun April 26th from 4-7pm in the park. Rain date will be the following Sundry if needed.

New Business:

Lynnhaven Colony Congregational Church – Spring Plant Sale – Sat. April 18th from 9am to 2pm.

Clean the Bay Day – Sat May 2nd. Visit www.cbf.org if interested in being a site captain or volunteer.

***Dominion Energy (DE) Tree Trimming** – On Monday, DE began trimming trees under power lines along the Cape Henry Trail. They informed residents that this takes place every 3-4 years. The contractor seems to be excessively cutting the trees resulting in possible death to some. Residents were not notified. Trimming should be complete in a week. Civic Association Officers agreed to contact City Councilman Cummings and City Arborist to find out why there is no City oversight.

***Maple Street Beach Access** – A vehicle recently ran over and destroyed the City fencing at the access. Civic Association Officers will contact the City Public Works to repair.

***E-Bikes on the Cape Henry Trail** – Residents have noticed an increase in E-bikes on the trail. E-bikes are striking walkers on the path and vehicles at the intersections. It was suggested that residents call 385-5000 Police Non-Emergency or file a report online. The more incidents are reported, the better chance we have to receive enforcement. Civic Association Officers will contact City Parks and Recs to provide an update on the E-bike Task Force Report.

Cape Story Officers Election – Discussion regarding the President, 1st VP and 2nd VP openings was held. The following slate of nominees was created.

President – Joanne Moorefield

1st VP – Lisa Stephens

2nd VP – Dale Smith

A motion to vote the slate was made by Todd Solomon and 2nd by Will Oakley. The slate was approved unanimously.

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