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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MARCH 9, 2017 OPVRS

MINUTES

I. The meeting was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. **President's Remarks**—President Broyles thanked Lynnhaven Roasters for donating the coffee for the meeting, and Linda Martin for arranging the social prior to the meeting. Door prizes were donated by Linda Hume, First Landing Autocare, and Kevin O'Hara.

III. Guest Speakers--

Police Liaison Officer Wroblewski presented a handout with the crime statistics over the past five years. The statistics were also published in the March OPCL Newsletter. Officer Wroblewski was asked if crime in other areas was declining, and he felt the recent decline is due to colder weather. There have been a few arrests from break-ins in the area which may also create a decline.

Brian Proctor (Public Works Traffic Engineering) provided detailed information on what the neighborhood needs to do to establish Ocean Park as a golf cart community. (Chubb Lake Area; LagoMar; Herring's Ridge are approved as golf cart communities) He reviewed some of the general rules that are applicable. Southside has started the street by street petition process. Northside has not yet started their process. Mr. Proctor entertained a variety of questions regarding what the community permit would allow in terms of ridership, permits, cart characteristics, etc.

Mr. Proctor also announced that there is a planned closure of Shore Drive projected for the middle of May. Shore Drive will be shut down for about 4 hours starting at midnight to transfer the bridge derrick from its current location to the south side of the bridge. The date of the closure will be finalized at a later date.

Richard Ward from **Atlantic Electric Vehicles** was also present and had several models of golf carts on display. The differences between low-speed electric vehicles and regular electric golf carts was explained.

President Broyles noted that if the neighborhood does get approval, the Civic League has to pay to have the signs placed at each entrance. Each sign costs \$75. For the Southside, the estimated cost is \$600 because of the number of points of entry into the neighborhood. The Northside petition campaign is being spearheaded by Terry Gearhart and Joe Alves.

IV. Approval of minutes from January 5th general membership meeting

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as posted of the January 5th general membership meeting

V. Treasurers Report

The treasurer's report was presented and there were no questions regarding the report. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the treasurer's report.

VI. Old Business

The proposed by law changes were presented at the January 5th general membership meeting. The changes were recited by VP Grace Moran. Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the changes to the by-laws.

Board of Directors' new position nominations were presented at the January meeting. A motion to approve the appointment of Jim Need and Susie Walston for the new at-large representative positions was seconded and approved by a unanimous vote.

President Broyles presented an update on the neighborhood signs for Shore Drive designating the Ocean Park neighborhood. The approval should be made within the next 10 days.

The President's special committee appointments were reviewed:

- a. Share the Road with Golf Carts & Membership Drive Committee:
 - -Terry Gearhart/Joe Alves Northside, Andrew Broyles Southside
- b. Scholarship Committee: Betty Deme
- c. Paul Schubert Co-Chair Government Affairs Committee

All appointments were approved unanimously.

VI: New Business

A. President Broyles presented a report on Board of Directors' resolutions from the BOD meeting:

- 1. Resolution approved to correspond officially from OPCL to regulators regarding current developable and labeling status of CCW property. Although there is no activity on the property at this time, the board wants to provide official notification to the city regarding the tidal wetlands area.
- 2. Resolution approved for OPCL to partner with LRNow to create a safe, sustainable public space on Tazewell Triangle.
- 3. Resolution approved to send letter from OPCL to Parks and Rec for BOD to review policies for maintenance of low hanging limbs over streets and invite to discuss problems at a future meeting.
- 4. Resolution approved to utilize email addresses as given by each committee chair or officer (personal or opcl.org)
- 5. Resolution approved to adjust event or other spending based on ROI results with current investments.
- 6. Resolution approved for debit card acquisition and use.
- Resolution approved to create sponsorship form and seek sponsors for social half hour prior to each general membership meeting, and split duties between Advertising and Social Events committee.

8. Resolution approved to continue scholarship program "as is" until next applicant selection is complete and present the scholarship program with territory discussion at upcoming meetings.

There were no questions regarding the board of directors' resolutions.

B. Additional Resolutions from the President:

- 1. Resolution to approve purchase of two plaques (approximately 85.00) for donations for OP median signs when signs approved
- 2. Resolution to continue quoting process for D&O insurance and seeking volunteer to oversee insurance acquisition for 12 2017 through 12 2018.
- 3. Resolution to approve plaques to the two companies who donated the materials for the neighborhood sign for a total expenditure of \$85.

There were no questions regarding the additional resolutions and all were approved.

C. 2017 or 2018 annual SUP and catamaran race sponsored by local boat and watercraft dealers.

Jill Doczi indicated that, from her personal experience, one of these events would take approximately 60 volunteers and a board of about 25 who meet for several months in order to sponsor an event. Mike Wills suggested Hobie Fleet 35 might be an organization to partner with for a catamaran race.

- D. The Ocean Park Yard Sale is scheduled for April 29th. The bake sale and maps will be available in President Broyles driveway as they were last year.
- E. President Broyles announced that a letter was sent to the city council for council retreat discussions to ask that the remainder of the improvements to Shore Drive be completed while they are completing the bridge instead of the 2028 timeline. There was no response from the city but we will continue to pursue.
- F. **Portable sign replacement.** The current signs say the meeting location is OPVRS. New signs will be constructed since some meetings will be held at the Brock Center.

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Membership Committee Report:--Seeking volunteer for position, duties orientation Mr. McCawley
- B. Fireworks Committee Report:Ms. Doczi. We have signed the contract and the Coast Guard Permit. The permit application for the city will be completed shortly. July 3rd is the tentative date but it has to be approved. We will get a rain date but it cannot be the next day.
- C. Newsletter Committee: Ms. Doczi suggested that we cannot go digital until we have multiple emails for every household because of our obligation to advertisers. The cost to print is \$2400@year. Go to OPCL.org to register your email.
- D. Finance Committee: Mr. Wills No report
- E. Government Affairs: Ms.Moran/Mr.Schubert
 - 1. We are still waiting to find out if the proposed Bayfront Shuttle route for the summer bus to the oceanfront will be approved.

- 2. The Vibrant Brewing Company is coming to Shore Drive to the empty building next to Buggy Bathe Car Wash.
- 3. The First Annual Walk the Plank art festival at First Landing State Park is schedule for Aril 8th.
- F. Resource Management Committee: Mr Solanic No report
- G. IT Committee: Mr McCawley No report
- H. Social Events: Ms Martin/Ms Parker-- April 8 is the Crawl-Out at Froggie's.
- I. Advertising: Ms. Shanafelt No report
- J. Scholarship—Betty Demers. Reminder that scholarship applications are due March 31st.

VIII. Adjournment - Next General Membership meeting is scheduled for May 4th

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.