

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
Dec. 5th, 2024 at 7p**



Board of Directors:

President: Danny Murphy
Vice President: Andrea Lindemann
Treasurer: Shane Abell
Secretary: Christy Allen
North Side Rep: Natalie McIntyre
South Side Rep: Brian Snyder
At-Large Rep: Jill Doczi

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Special Guest
 - Officer Shoenbach, VBPD
 - Cindy Dufour, Friends of the Live Oaks
 3. Review and Ratification of Minutes
 4. Treasurer's Report
 - 2025 Budget
 5. Old Business
 - Election of Officers
 6. New Business
 - Call for Volunteers
 7. Adjournment
- Committee Updates
 - Social Committee Updates –Events
 - Holiday Happy Hour- Fri Dec. 6th 5-7p
 - Lighted Bike Parade
 - Government Affairs:
 - City & Community Organizations
 - Pleasure House Point Wetland Mitigation Bank Project
 - LOVE Sign – Back again!



*Pledge of Allegiance
to the Flag*



I pledge allegiance
to the flag
of the United States
of America
and to the Republic
for which it stands,
one Nation *under God*,
indivisible, with liberty
and justice for all.

Ratification of Minutes (motion required)

Posted to OPCL.org Website

November 2024 Membership Meeting Minutes
November 7th at Brock Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Special Guest: City Councilman Joash Schulman

Councilman Schulman discussed the Virginia Natural Gas (VNG) parcel landscaping and what they are doing to right the wrong.

-VNG cut down about 6 live oaks. Neighbors told them to stop.

-Schulman asked VNG about the trees. Someone in Richmond identified the area as a liability risk and had concerns about people walking, parking, etc. so they decided to clear the lot.

-They wanted to build a fence but Schulman let them know that was a very bad idea and asked what they were willing to do to be a good neighbor. Tim Solanic reached out to VNG as well.

-VNG has apologized and shared a rendering of their landscaping plan with Schulman, and he shared it with OPCL and BAC.

-As a reminder, this is privately owned property and future use is unknown. We do not have a real say in the landscaping plan since it is private property.

-Schulman said he is happy with the response and level of care by VNG.

-The interim sidewalk project should not be affected by this project. It should start construction in October 2025. It will be asphalt.

Councilman Schulman also noted that nothing new has been filed for the OP Baptist church property.

If you need anything, reach out to the councilman or to Danny Murphy.

Minutes: After a motion by Shane Abell and a second by Andrea Lindemann, the previous month's minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Shane Abell

-For this year's fall fest, we spent \$4,030 for the event and our intake was \$3,500, so we did very well!

-Memberships also went up during fall fest.

-Our balance is just under \$2,000. We still have to make the transfer from the Robbins acct to make donations to LR Now, Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad and Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Shane provided an explanation of the Robbins account and details of 2023 and 2024 withdrawals currently available. Shane can provide more details to anyone interested.

We would like to put the Robbins acct funds into an account where we can live off of its dividends instead of its gains. The current balance is \$371,099 as of September and we started at \$341,000 at the beginning of the year.

There has been a discussion among the board to raise dues from \$20 to \$25 annually. Our dues are lower than many civic leagues in the area. We would like to discuss the increase in 2025 and will bring it before the membership.

Social Committee: Danny Murphy

Danny thanked all of the volunteers for making the fall fest a success! Great weather and great event! The Halloween pet parade at froggies was bigger than last year and we will keep growing next year. Holiday happy hour Friday December 6th 5 to 7pm at Froggies. We will have a gift drive for CASA. Lighted bike parade Saturday, December 7th. It starts at the rescue squad. No permit yet and we may not be able to cross Shore Drive.

PHP cleanup November 9th. Casa dine out for a cause Nov 14 at Pelon's grill.

Government Affairs: Danny Murphy

VBCCO meeting on November 20th - talking about comp plan. BAC meeting on Nov 21st.

Councilman Schulman's community mtg Nov 13th at 630 pm at bayside rec. Elections winners reviewed. Beach and Waterways looking at encroachments, Danny Murphy is on the committee.

Ocean and bay front encroachments: No fences, fire pits, ornamental plants prohibiting public access. Ocean Park has way fewer violations than other areas.

Marlin Bay:

Danny met with representatives from the McCleskey organization. They intend to bring back a project there, on their property only, not the Browning's marine property. They heard our concerns and will work with us on design. We will keep you posted on any developments.

Nominating Committee: Shane Abell

President, Vice President and secretary positions are up for re-election. President Danny Murphy has served 4 years, Vice President Andrea Lindemann has served 4 years and secretary Christy Allen has served 2 years. The term is 6 years max.

Shane asked for nominations from the floor. We will vote on existing officers and any new nominations at the December meeting.

Member Forum: Volunteers needed! Membership, social, government affairs.

Tim Solanic feels that VNG should transplant a live oak to their property.

Lenny's provided a \$25 gift card for tonight's raffle - Michael Grossman won the raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Treasurer's Report: 2025 Budget

OPERATING ACCOUNT ACTUALS: Ending November 2024		2025 Projected Starting Bal:		\$3,503		
Income Items	2023 Budget	2023 Year End	2024 Budget	2024 as of Dec 1	2024 Projected	2025 Budget
Membership Dues - Cash and Checks	\$6,700	\$2,360	\$2,500	\$2,213	\$2,213	\$2,700
Membership Dues - Paypal/Cheddar	\$2,595	\$5,022	\$5,000	\$5,433	\$5,433	\$6,800
Spring Fling Other (Guests/Donations)	\$0	\$0	\$500			\$300
Fall Fest Other (Silent Auction/Guests/Donations)	\$0	\$1,171	\$1,000			\$1,500
Wine Tasting (Paid Event)				\$1,309	\$1,309	
Robbins Acct-Community Improvement	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000		\$4,500	\$12,500
Lyon Scholarship				\$4,500	\$4,500	
Merchandise Sales	\$300	\$0		\$3,837	\$3,837	\$4,000
NWMB Signage	\$0	\$0				
Donations/Silent Auctions/Raffles				\$3,122	\$3,122	\$1,200
CASA Deposit paid out in 2023				\$300	\$300	
Total Income	\$17,595	\$16,553	\$17,000	\$20,715	\$25,215	\$29,000
Expense Items	2023 Budget	2023 Year End	2024 Budget	2024 as of Dec 1	2024 Projected	2025 Budget
Legal Expenses	\$0	\$0				
Ocean Park Rescue Squad	\$500	\$500	\$500		\$500	\$1,000
Lynnhaven River Now	\$500	\$500	\$500		\$500	\$1,000
Chesapeake Bay Foundation	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000		\$1,000	\$1,500
Friends of Live Oaks						\$1,000
PO Box Annual Fee	\$200	\$226	\$230	\$232		\$232
Newsletter/Flyer Printing	\$1,000	\$219	\$900			
Social Events	\$9,000	\$7,735	\$8,000		\$10,670	
Social Events (Chili Night Out)				\$351		\$350
Social Events (Wine Tasting) - Paid Event				\$1,106		
Social Events (Spring Fling)				\$4,947		\$5,000
Social Events (Fall Fest)				\$4,151		\$4,400
Social Events (Easter Egg Hunt)				\$41		\$50
Social Events (4th Parade)				\$75		\$100
Umbrella Liability Insurance	\$700	\$639	\$650		\$650	\$650
Virginia Corporation Fees	\$25	\$35	\$35	\$25	\$25	\$25
VBCCO Yearly Dues				\$50	\$50	\$50
Postage and Mail Supplies	\$100	\$35	\$35			\$35
IT Services	\$400	\$854	\$1,050	\$1,503	\$1,611	\$1,768
OPCL Scholarships	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$6,000
Lyon Scholarship				\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Merchandise (Stickers)	\$120	\$152	\$160	\$220	\$220	\$200
Merchandise (Apparel)				\$4,164	\$4,164	\$4,000
General Meeting Refreshments	\$0	\$257	\$400	\$147	\$147	\$300
BOD Meeting				\$304	\$304	\$300
Office Supplies	\$50	\$33	\$40	\$38	\$38	\$40
Parliamentarian				\$450	\$450	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$17,595	\$16,186	\$17,500	\$22,802	\$25,329	\$29,000

Nominating Committee

- **Officers up for election**

- ☐ President, Vice-president & Secretary

- **Nominating Slate**

- ✓ President- Danny Murphy
- ✓ Vice-President – Andrea Lindemann
- ✓ Secretary – Christy Allen



Social Committee: Holiday Happy Hour

Holiday Happy Hour

- Friday, Dec. 6th
- Time: 5 pm-7 pm
- Gift Drive: CASA
- Location: Froggies



Social Committee: Lighted Bike Parade

- Saturday, Dec. 7th
- Time: Gather 6:30 pm
 - Parade start 7:00 pm
- Starting Point: Rescue Squad
- Southside Route only!
- Working on permits...ugh.



Government Affairs: Upcoming Meetings

- **VB Council of Community Organizations** Next meeting: Wednesday, Dec. 18th @ 6:30 pm, Bow Creek Rec Center, Topics- Cindy M. Walters, Compliance and Development Officer, CoVB, to provide information to Civic Leagues and to offer an opportunity for community/citizen input for this Strategic Plan. 2nd Guest Speaker is Dallas Stamper from PiN (People in Need) Ministries.
- **Bayfront Advisory Commission (BAC)**, Thursday, Dec. 19th @ 3:30 pm
OPVRS Ocean Park Rescue Squad, Sign-up for Baylines (BAC Email)
 - City of Virginia Beach Presentation

Pleasure House Point Wetlands Mitigation Bank Project



Government Affairs: PHP Wetlands Mitigation Bank Project



Overview

- Pleasure House Point Wetlands Restoration Project aims to convert a 12.32-acre site in Virginia Beach into a tidal wetland mitigation bank
- Restore the area to its natural state before it was used as a dredge material spoil site

Site History

- Prior to the 1970s, the site was a naturally occurring wetland
- Between 1971 and 1972, over 1 million cubic yards of dredge material were deposited on the site, covering the wetlands
- In 2012, the site was acquired and preserved through collaboration between the Trust for Public Land, the City & Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Need for Project

- Lack of tidal wetland credits by city, needed to offset the impact of construction projects on tidal wetlands
- City has identified a need for 2.7 acres of tidal wetland credits for the Windsor Woods "Mega-Bundle" Design-Build project.*



Government Affairs: PHP WMB Project



Project Goals

- Restore/create 6.22 acres of tidal vegetated wetlands and 1.78 acres of non-vegetated tidal wetlands.

Project Benefits

- Project will enable critical flood protection projects for necessary tidal wetland credits.
- Restore valuable wetland habitat and improve water quality

Project Funding

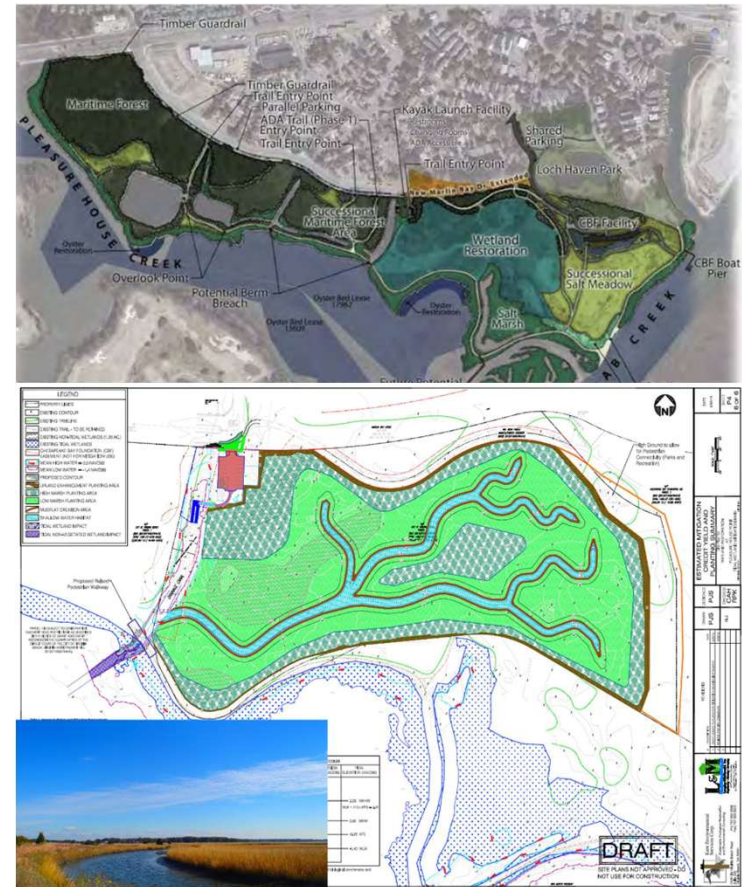
- Project cost is \$12.1 million, by reallocation \$11.6M 2025 Budget CIPs

Project Schedule

- Design completion: November 2024 – February 2025
- City Council Action: January 7, 2025
- Construction: February 2025 – October 2025
- Completion: October 2025
- Long-term maintenance: Beginning October 2036

Public Engagement

- Public meetings held OPCL during the design phase.
- Presentation to Bayfront Advisory Commission, Thur., Dec. 19th @3:30pm

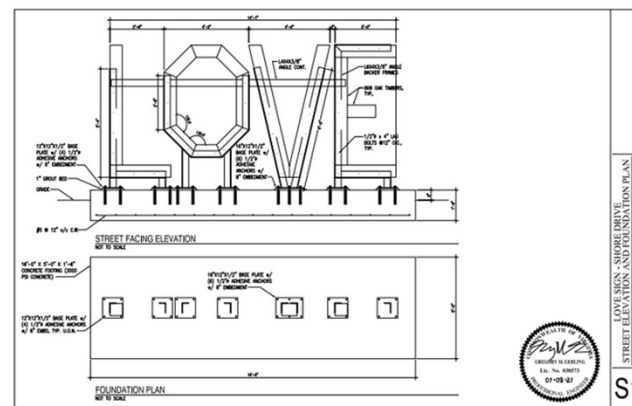


Government Affairs: Bayfront Advisory Commission

LOVE Sign

Virginia Tourism Love Sign Grant

- Partnered with BAC to bring LOVE to Shore Drive
- Granted \$2,500 in 2020ish
- Civic League – Provide suggestions and support on sign design and facilitate the grant disbursement
- BAC has engaged in a student-led initiative to bring the project to fruition



Member Forum!



- **Volunteers needed: Specifically - Social Committee and Membership Chairpersons & Committee Members**

Adjournment.

