

# Cloverfields Chronicle

September/October 2018

### **Thank You!**

At the end of July our neighborhood worked very hard together to clean up the build-up of debris at the community beach and marina. Thank you to everyone who donated their time, talents, and energy. It was wonderful to see our fellow neighbors come together. A special thank you to County Commissioner Mark Anderson and Todd Mohn from Public Works for providing dumpters to our community to use to properly dispose of all the debris.



### **New Little Free Library**

CPOA Board member Meredith Claborn organized the building of our neighborhood's first Little Free Library. Visit the community playground to check it out! Grab a book, read it, and bring it back. Or leave one for someone else to enjoy.

### **New Fishing & Relaxing Deck**

Have you have noticed that the Fishing & Relaxing Deck has been resurfaced? Our community has a small group of volunteers to thank for that...Many individuals contributed, but the following played significant roles: Matt Reader, Spencer Wooden, Jay Herbert, Dave Burns and Shawn Miller. A special note of thanks to Matt for heading up the project and Todd Kelsner, from M&M Marine Construction. Todd sold the marine grade lumber to the neighborhood at cost and provided his own labor (and he doesn't even live in Cloverfields). A final note of thanks to Bo Otto for requesting and completing the architectural paperwork for the project. What was most remarkable about this project was the group completed it at no labor cost to the community. Thank you!

### **September General Membership Meeting**

Sunday, September 16, 2018 @ 2pm

Mark the date for the September General Membership Meeting to hear updates on community initiatives and activities AND vote in the Board of Directors annual election. Turn to page 6 for more information.

Questions? Contact

### **New Boat Slip Monthly Rental in the Fall**

Interested in renting a boat slip on a monthly basis during the fall? Call Emily White for more information: 443-496-1061.

Questions? Contact a Board Member!:

https://www.cloverfiel ds.org/board-ofdirectors/

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#### Crab Feast 2018



Date: Saturday, September 8, 2018, 2018

**Time:** 2-5pm

**Location:** Pool/Clubhouse

Crabs, Corn on the Cob, Hot Dogs, Nachos, Beer, Wine, Soda & Water will be served. There will also be a money wheel, 50/50 drawing, and music provided by a DJ.

### **Ticket Prices:**

Adults and children ages 16 & Up: \$30 in advance; \$35 at the door Adults for drinks only: \$20
Children ages 8-15: \$10
Children under age 7: FREE

Contact one of the following CPOA Board members for tickets:

Meredith Claborn: 410-643-5852

Jeanette Meinhardt: 443-249-3880

Bob Morelli: 410-643-7488

### Cloverfields Property Owners Association General Membership Call to Order September 16, 2018

#### **Agenda**

I. Introduction of Board and Committee Members: Bob Morelli

II. Review / Approval of Minutes of April 2018 Meeting: Andy Hanas

III. Old Business:

IV. New Budget:

V. Officers/Committee Reports:

1st Vice-President: Jim Dipietro

Responsibilities: Pool, Grounds, Legal Issues, Construction Review Committee

2nd Vice-President: Bill Boyle

Responsibilities: Marina

**<u>Treasurer</u>**: Jeanette Meinhardt

Responsibilities: Finance, Title Transfers

Financial Recorder: Cindy Koene

Responsibilities: Billing

**Corresponding Secretary**: Marisa Cole

Responsibilities: Swim Team, Newsletter, Website

Member-at-Large I: Russ Shallue

Responsibilities: Crime Watch

Member-at-Large II: Meredith Claborn

Member-at-Large III: Jay Herbert

Responsibilities: Beach

Member-at-Large IV: Penny Waller

**Recording Secretary:** Andy Hanas

Responsibilities: Clubhouse Maintenance

**Committees:** 

Marina: Emily White

Swim Team: Marcy Witkowski & Deidre Vodehnal

Clubhouse: Kelly Oliver

VI. New Business:

VII. VII. Vote for Officers:

VIII. VIII. Adjournment:

## 2019 Budget (NO INCREASE)

INCOME	
INCOME MEMBER ASSESSMENT	\$169,200.00
LATE CHARGES	\$3,500.00
PRIOR YEAR FEES	\$1,000.00
VEHICLE STICKERS	\$500.00
ADVERTISING	\$1,000.00
CLUBHOUSE RENTAL	\$5,000.00
INTEREST	\$500.00
POOL INCOME	\$4,500.00
TRANSFER / ONLINE FEE's	\$2,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$187,700.00
EXPENSES	\$187,700.00
ELECTRIC	\$6,000.00
PROPANE	\$1,000.00
INSURANCE	\$6,520.00
ACCOUNTING	\$3,050.00
ONLINE FEE's	\$500.00
LEGAL	\$7,000.00
SECURITY	\$7,000.00
POSTAGE	\$7,030.00
PRINTING & SUPPLIES	\$8,000.00
TELEPHONE	\$2,500.00
WATER & SEWAGE	\$3,000.00
WASTE DISPOSAL	\$4,000.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$2,000.00
OTHER (Misc)	\$2,000.00
POOL MANAGER	\$5,700.00
LIFEGUARD WAGES	\$42,500.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$4,500.00
BEACH LIFEGUARD WAGES	\$3,000.00
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE	\$115,300.00
CLUBHOUSE MAINTENANCE	\$6,000.00
BEACH MAINTENANCE	\$4,000.00
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	\$4,000.00
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	\$1,500.00

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	\$7,000.00
PLAYGROUND	\$6,000.00
GENERAL COMMUNITY	\$28,500.00
POOL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	\$7,200.00
ELECTRIC	\$4,500.00
POOL EQUIPMENT	\$2,000.00
POOL MAINTENANCE	\$6,000.00
TRAINING	\$700.00
POOL OPERATIONS	\$20,400.00
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Snack Shack Wages	\$5,000.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$500.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$15,000.00
PEST CONTROI	\$3,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$187,700.00
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$0.00
MARINA FUND	
RAMP & SLIP FEES	\$24,000.00
INTEREST	\$100.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,100.00
MAINTENANCE	\$5,000.00
ELECTRIC	\$1,000.00

#### **CLOVERFIELDS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** 

June 12, 2018, 7:30 pm

**MEETING MINUTES** 

#### ATTENDEES:

Bob Morelli (President)

Jim DiPietro (1st Vice President) arrived at 8:09 pm

Bill Boyle (2nd Vice President)

Cindy Koene (Financial Recorder)

Jeanette Meinhardt (Treasurer)

Andy Hanas (Recording Secretary)

Marisa Cole (Corresponding Secretary)

Penny Benza (Member-At-Large IV)

Lt. Duke Johnston, Queen Anne's County Sheriff's Dept.

**10 Community Members** 

#### I OPENING REMARKS/REVIEW OF MINUTES/APPROVAL:

OPENING: Bob opened the Meeting at 7:30 pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Andy said he e-mailed the draft 5/8/18 Board Meeting Minutes to all Board Members and said he received one comment. Motion made to approve the 5/8/18 Board Meeting Minutes as revised. Motion passed 6-0-0.

CRIME WATCH: Lt. Johnston (Duke) said there were 37 calls for service in Cloverfields in the last 30 days. The calls included 3 civil matters, 1 domestic, 1 motor vehicle hit and run, and 1 suicide attempt. He mentioned that there were numerous speed radar traps set up in Cloverfields.

#### II OLD BUSINESS:

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: Luke Patterson spoke about his Eagle Scout project. The Board thanked him for his Beach Guard shelter that he built. He asked the Board to review the language for the Marina/Beach sign that he is working on. Bob said the Board will review the language and will get back to him in the next few days.

4TH OF JULY PARTY: Cindy volunteered to purchase the party materials and will store them in the Clubhouse.

POOL: Bob said there were many last-minute concerns at the Pool that needed to be addressed prior to the opening on Memorial Weekend. He said pipes were broken at the pump and parts were missing in the pump room. Bob said strainers, sensors and gauges were missing, and the Pool was green on Friday and needed to

be shocked. He thanked Cindy, Dan, Jim, Angela, Jeanette and Ken for helping get the Pool ready for the Saturday opening. He also mentioned that Anchor Pools were a big help in getting things ready.

LIFEGUARD CHAIR: Bob said the lifeguard chair will be placed on the Beach this week.

SWIM TEAM: Marcy gave an update on Swim Team actions including the fundraiser, Meet schedule, and that 54 swimmers have registered for the Stingrays. She also said that they purchased coolers, that someone donated a refrigerator, and that they need to purchase a printer.

#### III OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1st Vice President: CONSTRUCTION REVIEW: Jim said he is busy with new CR requests and has 5 more to handle. Bob mentioned a complaint from an owner who said their neighbor is converting a garage into a residence with water and sewer hook-ups. Bob said the County told him it is out in their jurisdiction to investigate. Jim said he will draft a letter to them explaining that they are in violation of our building restrictions.

2nd Vice President: MARINA: Bill said he is hoping to repair the light at the Marina in the next couple of weeks.

Treasurer: Jeanette handed out Financial Statements ending on May 31. She mentioned that she will track equipment, parts and supplies expenditures at the Pool since things were missing and not accounted for. One owner recommended a digital code access lock system that can track whoever enters the pump room. Each person who is authorized to use the room would have their own code, and the locking mechanism would track every entry. Bob said that is something we could look into getting.

Financial Recorder: Cindy said she received 3 inquiries to settle back dues after the lien warning letters were mailed out. She mentioned that almost all of the people complaining that they did not get their vehicle stickers have never paid for them, that's why they didn't get them. She said vehicles will be towed if they do not have stickers in community areas. Cindy said the last scheduled id/sticker registration at the Clubhouse will be on 6/21/18.

Corresponding Secretary: NEWSLETTER: Marisa asked for articles for the next Newsletter. She said she is working on info such as by-laws, September General Meeting, Pool Safety, and Swim Team Meets. Marisa mentioned that ads have been coming in, and the deadline for the next Newsletter is 6/15/18. WEBSITE: Marisa said a new tab for the Swim Team has been added to the website.

Member-At-Large I: Russ not present, no report.

Member-At-Large II: Meredith not present, no report.

Member-At-Large III: BEACH: Jay not present, no report.

Member-At-Large IV: Penny asked when lifeguards will be at the Beach, and Bob said this coming weekend because they had to get open water certification before they could work the Beach.

Recording Secretary: CLUBHOUSE: Andy said he is in the process of getting three proposals from crawlspace contractors to address the very wet conditions and how that can rot the floors above.

IV NEW BUSINESS:

FISHING DOCK: Bo Otto said he and a group of volunteers are planning on replacing the fishing dock the weekend of 6/23/18. He said that they will purchase the materials.

ADA PARKING SIGN AT BEACH: Bob said a handicap parking sign will be installed at the Pavilion at the Beach.

VOLLEYBALL NET AT BEACH: Bob said an owner asked if they can install a permanent volleyball net at the Beach. He said he asked they come to a Board Meeting to make the request.

BUDGET ACCOUNTABILITY: Bob said that Joe, our accountant, wants to know how all funds are being collected and spent for Snack Shack, Beach Party, Crabfeast, Easter Egg Hunt and all other Cloverfields events. Bob said that Joe told him that the State and IRS ask for all accountability of all tax related expenditures that CPOA is associated with. Penny said that the Easter Egg Hunt and Women's Association transactions fall under a separate entity from CPOA. Penny said that she was the founder of the new Women's Association and that she set it up to be independent from the Budget. She said in 1994 she developed the new Women's Club with their own by-laws not being part of the CPOA Budget. Bob said he will check with Joe to find out what he needs for IRS purposes.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTIONS: Bob reminded everyone that the September General Membership Meeting is scheduled for 9/16/18 at 2:00 pm, and that the following Board Positions are up for election: 1st Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Member-At-Large III and Member-At-Large IV. He said to submit your names to Andy if you want to be placed on the ballot.

#### V. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

### Are you interested in getting more involved in Cloverfields???

There are so many ways you can contribute....

#### **Apply for Online Communications Intern Position!**

Are you a high school or college student interested in social media or web site content development? Then apply to be the Online Communications Intern to CPOA Corresponding Secretary, Marisa Cole. The Intern would assist with management of the Cloverfields web site and the CPOA Facebook page — while also receiving training in these online communications methods from Mrs. Cole, who works as a Communications Consultant in her "day job.". If interested, submit a Letter of Interest to: marisa.baldwin.cole@gmail.com

#### Join the CPOA Board of Directors!



Have you ever thought about programs or initiatives you would like to see in our neighborhood? Or thought about some things that could use some improvement? Then you should consider running for the CPOA Board of Directors! At the September General Membership Meeting, we will have our annual election for the Board of Directors. An update to by-laws is that one vote is allocated to each household. The following positions are up for re-election and currently has a member who plans to run again:

- <u>1st Vice President</u>: Jim DiPietro, currently serving and plans to run again
  - Courtney Chambliss, who is not currently on the Board, is also running for this position
- Recording Secretary: Andy Hanas, currently serving and plans to run again
- Treasurer: Jeanette Meinhart, currently serving and plans to run again
- Member-at-Large III: Jay Herbert, currently serving and plans to run again
- Member-at-Large IV: Penny Waller, currently serving and plans to run again
  - o Javier Piquero, who is not currently on the Board, is also running for this position

Throw your hat in the ring if you are interested in any one of these positions by emailing Andy Hanas at <a href="https://hanas@atlanticbb.net">hanas@atlanticbb.net</a>. The last possible date to submit your name is **Sunday, September 2, 2018**.

### Help review and revise the community by-laws!



In the coming year, Board members Marisa Cole and Penny Waller plan to coordinate a committee of community members to review and revise the community by-laws. It's been a long time since a comprehensive review of the by-laws have been completed and it is a lengthy process to propose and approve changes as well as vote on any changes at a General Membership meeting. As such, working meetings will commence in the fall, with the intent to propose changes and vote on them at the April 2019 General Membership meeting. The Board welcomes anyone who would like to be part

of this committee in the coming year. Email Marisa at <a href="marisa.baldwin.cole@gmail.com">marisa.baldwin.cole@gmail.com</a> if you are interested in getting involved.



### **Cloverfields Swim Team Committee Update**

The Cloverfields Stingrays had a fantastic 2018 Summer Swim Season! Please keep your eyes peeled for opportunities to support the swim team over the fall/winter/spring months – there will be several fundraisers such as movie nights, kids's nights/parents-night-out, paint nights at the Clubhouse. Visit the Swim Team page on the Cloverfields web site for regular updates, calendar of events, and a full listing of our business sponsors (check out the ads at the end of this newsletter for that, too!): <a href="https://www.cloverfields.org/swim-team-information">https://www.cloverfields.org/swim-team-information</a>

For any questions regarding swim team, please email: <a href="mailto:cloverfieldsstingrays@gmail.com">cloverfieldsstingrays@gmail.com</a>

# Pool Update

Summer 2018 was a great season for the Cloverfields Pool. Thank you to Angela Bailey for her work as the Pool Manager and all the lifeguards. The last official day of the pool season is Monday, September 3, 2018. The pool closes at 8pm that day. Visit the Pool Information tab on the Cloverfields web site for regular updates on pool activities and updates through the off-season: <a href="https://www.cloverfields.org/pool-information/">https://www.cloverfields.org/pool-information/</a>

Questions for the Pool Manager may be sent via email to cloverfieldspool@gmail.com.

For any questions about the Snack Shack, contact Jeanette Meinhardt at 443-618-5066.

Contact Jim Dipietro at <a href="mailto:idipietro1234@yahoo.com">idipietro1234@yahoo.com</a>, CPOA Vice President in charge of overseeing pool management, with any additional questions or concerns.

A big <u>THANK YOU</u> to the Murchake Family for donating food trays to the Snack Shack!

### Cloverfields Property Owners Association (CPOA) on Facebook!

The CPOA Board of Directors launched a Facebook page to provide another communications channel for the neighborhood, adding to the web site (<a href="www.cloverfields.org">www.cloverfields.org</a>) and newsletter. It is mainly for informational postings only. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Cloverfields-Property-Owners-Association-206014260174145/">https://www.facebook.com/Cloverfields-Property-Owners-Association-206014260174145/</a>



CPOA Contacts					
President	Bob Morelli	410-643-7488	General Issues		
1st Vice President	Jim DiPietro	443-790-5383	Grounds & Building Permits, CRC & Legal, and Pool		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Bill Boyle	wpb1210@yahoo.com	Marina		
Corr. Secretary	Marisa Cole	marisa.baldwin.cole@gmail.com	Newsletter, Website, and Swim Team		
Recording Secretary	Andy Hanas	410-604-3885	Clubhouse Maintenance		
Treasurer	Jeanette Meinhardt	443-249-3880	CPOA Finances &Title Transfers		
Financial Recorder	Cindy Koene	cindy@stertil-koni.com	Billing Issues & Car Permits		
Member-At-Large I	Russ Shallue	410-490-9130	Crime Watch		
Member-At-Large II	Meredith Claborn	jccmwc@yahoo.com			
Member-At-Large III	Jay Herbert	443-786-6436	Beach Issues		
Member-At-Large IV	Penny Waller	albenza13@gmail.com			
Clubhouse Rentals	Kelly Oliver	cpoaclubhouse@gmail.com	Clubhouse		
Women's Club	Courtney Chambliss	410-643-7739	Women's Club		
Marina Committee	Emily White	443-496-1061	Marina		
Swim Team	Deidre Vodehnal &	cloverfieldsstringrays@gmail.com	Swim Team		
Committee	Marcy Witkowski				

### **Haven Ministries Opens Hope Warehouse**

Haven Ministries is opening **Hope Warehouse** - collecting donations of used furniture, appliances, and construction items from the community and selling them at deeply discounted prices. Hope Warehouse will also donate to vulnerable neighbors in need of furniture and appliances. More details to come soon about an opening date.

How can you Help? The Warehouse is accepting donations. If you have gently used appliances,



furniture, or building supplies please contact **Susan Phillips at 410.490.8498, or 443.298.0173 or <a href="maintenance">hopewarehouse@haven-ministries.com</a>. Check out <a href="maintenance">haven-ministries.com</a>. Check out <a href="maintenance">haven-ministries</a>. Fundamental check out <a href="maintenance">haven-ministries</a>. Funda** 

### Interested in advertising in the Cloverfields Chronicle?

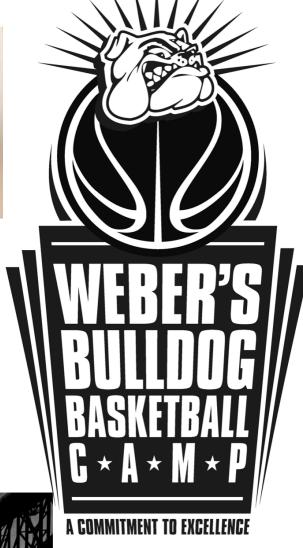
Business Cards: \$25 1/4 Page: \$40 1/2 Page: \$60 Full Page: \$90

The Cloverfields Chronicle is published on or about the 1st of the month per the discretion of the Board of Directors. Artwork is due the 15th of the month prior to publication. Send Requests to marisa.baldwin.cole@gmail.com

### **Cloverfields Swim Team Business Sponsors**



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