

**CLOVERFIELDS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

October 9, 2018

7:30 pm

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

Bob Morelli (President)  
Jim DiPietro (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President)  
Bill Boyle (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President)  
Cindy Koene (Financial Recorder)  
Jeanette Meinhardt (Treasurer)  
Andy Hanas (Recording Secretary)  
Meredith Claborn (Member-At-Large II)  
Jay Herbert (Member-At-Large III)  
Javier Piquero (Member-At-Large IV)  
Lt. Duke Johnson, Sheriff's Dept.  
14 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 9/11/18 Board Meeting Minutes to all Board Members and said he received 2 comments which he revised. Motion made to approve the 9/11/18 Board Meeting Minutes as revised. Motion passed 8-0-0.

**II** OLD BUSINESS:

CRIME WATCH: Lt. Johnson apologized for missing the August Board Meeting. He said he was disappointed at all of the bickering at the beginning of this meeting particularly with the verbal attacks at the Board. He reminded everyone what a tough job it is running the largest community in Queen Anne's County, and informed them of the low amount of crime incidents in Cloverfields. He continued with the following numbers for Cloverfields: between 8/14 and 9/10 he said there were 63 total incidents including 11 radar stops, 3 traffic citations, 3 welfare checks and 1 disturbance. Between 9/10 and 10/5 he said there were 52 incidents with one overdose, 1 alarm, 1 traffic arrest and 9 radar assignments. He mentioned that there were no serious crimes committed. Lt. Johnson introduced Eddie Miller. Miller said he would like to ask the Sheriff to have a Critical Incident and Opioid class in the Clubhouse for the Community. Lt. Duke said he would find out when it could be held. Lt. Duke also said there are some new laws as of October 1. He said there is an updated vehicle move over law and new gun laws.

SWIM TEAM: Deidre said that there is a Swim Team movie night fundraiser scheduled for 11/2 at the Clubhouse.

POOL LOT LIGHT: Bob said he followed up on a member's request to replace the Delmarva Power light at the Pool parking lot with one owned by CPOA. He said he is getting 3 bids for a new light on a pole with switches.

**III** OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: CONSTRUCTION REVIEW: Jim present, no report.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: MARINA: Bill said the new LED lights at the Marina now have switches on the two pole lights for turning off in the winter. He said they will be turned off on December 31 and will be turned back on next season. Bill also said a snow fence will be installed on the Beach side of the jetty to trap sand that gets blown into the Marina entrance channel during the winter.

Treasurer: Jeanette said she sent a report to our accountant informing him of all of the taxes that we have paid to date.

Financial Recorder: Cindy said she is gearing up for the next dues collection.

Corresponding Secretary: NEWSLETTER: Marisa out of town on work assignment.

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

Member-At-Large II: Meredith said she received the other Free Library and is looking forward to having it installed.

Member-At-Large III: BEACH: Bob asked Jay if something needs to be done to the Beach that is losing sand. Jay said the River has had some real high tides the last couple of weeks, and would like to see if the Beach sand recovers before something needs to be done.

Member-At-Large IV: The Board welcomed Javier as a new Member of the Board, and he said he looks forward to serving Cloverfields.

Recording Secretary: CLUBHOUSE: Andy said he is still waiting for a schedule for the crawlspace work and said he will contact the company once again. Andy also said the Clubhouse is well stocked for the next couple of months.

#### IV

##### NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Several attendees asked the Board if financial information of the CPOA Budget and expenditures can be made available for the Membership to review. Bob said the monthly Financial Statements from our accountant will be made available every couple of months on our website for all to see.

EXTRA FUNDS: A member asked what is done with the extra funds if there are any at the end of the budget year. Bob said that the Board tries to use any extra funds near the end of the year on capital projects. If there are any leftover funds they go into a general fund to pay for bills before we collect dues in February.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: A member asked when the next Youth Activities event will be taking place. Bob said that Committee is run by a volunteer and that currently there is no one to run it. Another member recommended that the Member who asked be the chair of that Committee. There was no response.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION: Courtney said she was informed that the Women's Association would have to pay to use the Clubhouse for their social night when the men use it for no charge. Bob said they can use it next week, but will need to be affiliated with CPOA in accordance to the By-Laws. He said the Men's Association will need to do the same if they want to continue using the Clubhouse at no charge for their social activities. Bob reminded everyone that our accountant needs to know their financial accounting if they use the CPOA name for money-generating functions in order to adhere to IRS requirements. She and Penny spoke about all good the Women's Association has done in the past, and Courtney said that the Women's Association has not been affiliated with Cloverfields, has its own checking account, and does not make any extra money.

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING: Bruce Chambliss read a narrative on his displeasure with the Board on how the September General Meeting was handled especially with Jim's campaign speech, who he felt was attacking Courtney regarding the condition of the Pool after she resigned from the Board. He spoke about how he volunteered and helped Courtney run the Pool in the past. He said that the entire Board should be ashamed for failing to control Jim's "rant", as he called it, during the General Meeting. He said Jim should resign from the Board. Meredith told Jim that he was rude to Courtney and stated that she remained neutral on several occasions and did not comment on many issues just so people would not think she was solely sticking up for her sister, and that she said was embarrassed to have her name associated with people who were blatantly rude to members of our community. Penny said the Board knew in advance what Jim was going to say and did nothing to stop him. Members of the Board all stated that Jim never provided them with his speech, and the accusation of them knowing in advance what Jim was going to say is not true.

ELECTION VOTING: One Member stated that he would like to be able to vote for Board elections in the beginning of the Meeting and be able to leave whenever he wanted to and not wait until the end of the Meeting to vote. Bob said the Meeting followed the Agenda that was approved by the Board before it was printed, and the voting was towards the end of the Agenda. A Board Member asked if it made sense for attendees to listen to the entire meeting and hear what the candidates have to say before they make their vote selection.

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##### ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.