



February 5 East Ocean View Civic League Minutes

The pledge of allegiance was given and welcome by the East Ocean View Civic League President, Bill Eason. The minutes of the December meeting were approved and accepted with no corrections.

Police report – Officer Synder gave the report and Lt. Mitchell was also present. Crime has decreased. In a 14 day time period, 47 inoperable cars were written up and at least 50% were removed. The bike patrol is out working and more officers will be on duty soon. Questions were answered. Citizens can do ride-alongs of 4 hour or 8 hour blocks of time.

Jacque Johnson-supervisor of the East Ocean View Community Center gave an update. The Civic League sponsored a Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner. 160 Thanksgiving dinners and 180 Christmas dinners were served. Gifts for each child and teen were given. Ms. Johnson announced upcoming programs: 1) Adult dodge ball on Friday nights, 2) 50+ Club meeting on the 19th of Feb at 11 am, 3) Family bingo night- 50 people showed up. Another night for Family bingo will be on March 7th at 6 pm.

Jorge from Jessy's grocery and restaurant brought hot chocolate and rolls.

Please sign up for March 7 Dune Day to plant grass on the beach. 6,000 sprigs of grass were planted last year.

Treasurer's Report – Dec total \$1328.16 and Jan total \$1331.98.

Bayview Motel – Glenn Russell and Kevin Riccio wanted approval for their plan to redo the Bayview Motel and turn it into 36 condos. Tom Rittenour is the architect and Michael Levy the attorney for the project. The residential condos will have 2 bedrooms and 2 baths each unit. The pool will be filled in, there will be new landscaping, private balconies, private access and will be priced from \$150,000 to \$200,000. The project will be done by Cavalier Construction. The cost will be about \$3,000,000. Questions and answers followed. A motion was made and approved by the EOVCCL members for the project to move forward.

Barbara Lai from the City of Norfolk – 1) Cameras have been installed. 3 cameras – one on 7th Bay, one on 12th Bay and one on 16th Bay along Pleasant Avenue are operational and rotate approximately 360 degrees. 2) Rental Inspection Program, 3) Public Works will finish the sidewalk on Pleasant Avenue in the spring, and 4) Prevention program will have the police working with The Youth Academy, an after-school program. 5) There have been 22 demolitions in East Ocean View recently. Ms. Lai showed a display of some of the projects and answered questions.

David Freeman, Director of Department of Neighborhood Preservation spoke on the passage of the anti-blight bill. The governor has not yet signed the bill.

Bill Eason called on a report of the Focus Committee. The committee was made up of a group of civic league members representing all parts of East Ocean View. The four areas to focus on are: 1) Flooding – storm and tidal, 2) enhance code enforcement with accountability and disclosure, 3) down-zone all of East Ocean View and 4) Beautify and improve the streetscapes. Discussion followed. It was motioned and passed to table the vote on priorities of East Ocean View until the next civic league meeting.

Frank Johnson will become chair the Code Enforcement committee replacing Sean Regan who will stay on the committee.

February 20 is a Town Hall Meeting at the Azalea Inn on Little Creek.
Rod Woolard will be the speaker for March.

2 candidates for Norfolk Commonwealth Attorney were present and introduced at the meeting.

It was motioned and adjourned to end the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Mann, East Ocean View Civic League, Secretary