

Meeting Location; Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad Meeting Hall  
Meeting Start; Called to order at 7:36 pm by David Williams. 34 attendees.

Special Presentation Virginia Beach City Council Candidates' Forum  
Invited Speakers: Candidates for City Council: Prescott Sherrod, Dennis Free, and John Moss

Each candidate was allotted 10 minutes to speak on his candidacy for City Council, and then attendees were allowed to have a Q & A with the candidates. The following is a brief summary of each candidate's platform.

Prescott Sherrod; was appointed to fulfill a vacancy on the Council. He is a businessman and engineer who's focus is to fix problems. He wants to expand the tax base and not increase taxes. He feels that his focus is quality of life issues. He very much is against the Maple Street Dredge Spoils site and feels that the city should not be looking for loopholes but instead should be bringing the people into the debate. Eminent Domain is a viable tool for the City to use, but it should be used sparingly. He feels that the people of Va Beach are wonderful, that we have wonderful natural resources, and we need to be working better with the Military.

Dennis Free; He has over 30 years of public service as a police officer and a senior leader in the Sheriff's Office. We have to grow the private sector. He is committed to keeping our taxes low. He has saved millions of dollars in the Sheriff's Office and at the city jail and is committed to doing the same for the City. He feels that we need to focus on security. We must have good schools. We must control spending but not with smaller government but rather with the way that we govern. Very much wants to bring in an entrepreneurial way of running the government.

John Moss; He has spent 32 years as an analyst for the Navy and is currently with Commander Submarine Force Atlantic. Feels that we have to grow the private sector. We have to get rid of several taxes on businesses so that they will be encouraged to hire workers. We must control spending and have honest open government. We need to have better education for our children so that we will have educated workers locally to encourage businesses to relocate here. He wants to focus on jobs, control spending, and better education for our children. The City should stop the desire to go to court and sue its citizens over the Dredge Site situation.

#### Officers Reports;

President David Williams - Many people showed up at the City meeting on the Dredge Site situation but they were not allowed to speak unless the chair opens it up for discussion. Hearings are totally lop-sided against the residents. City has not identified the numerous safety concerns such as barges in a narrow waterway, heavily laden trucks going past three different schools, etc. The Maple Street site is not self sufficient so the cost to run it will fall on the citizens. Of the people allowed to speak, 16 spoke against the Maple Street Site, 4 were middle of the road, and only one spoke in favor of the site. The Beach Board of Zoning Appeals voted 4 to 2 to repeal the decision to build the dredge spoils transfer facility at the Maple Street site. It is not known if the City will take its own Board to court to overturn that decision.

VP Tom Cantwell - nothing to report

Treasurer Carol Collins - total balance \$6,237.38. Special Accounts balance \$1,561.99.

Secretary Todd Solomon - not present. Minutes from Sept. 26 meeting unanimously approved. Motion by Lynn Hume and seconded by Tom Cantwell.

SDCC General Meeting Monday Nov 28, 2011 at OPVRS at 730pm.

Meeting Adjourned - 915 pm. Motion by Marty and 2nd by Empsy. Motion passed unanimously.