

Minutes for September 29, 2014
Shore Drive Community Coalition General Meeting
Submitted by Todd Solomon

Meeting Location: Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad Meeting Hall

Meeting Start: Called to order at 7:35 pm by David Williams. 25 attendees.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer Paulette Hruska – Checking=\$6,570.75 and Special Accounts=\$1,527.55 SDCC has 22 paid members for 2014.

Secretary Todd Solomon – August 25, 2014 minutes distributed. **A motion to approve with no changes was made by Empsy Munden and 2nd by Penny Brown. The motion passed unanimously.**

Vice President Rick Mercadante – Not present.

President David Williams – David suspended normal business meeting to move into Special Presentation.

Special Presentation: At-large City Council Candidate Forum – There are four candidates running for two At-large seats. All four were in attendance. They are: Ben Davenport, George Furman III, Brad Martin and John Moss. The candidates were given time to introduce themselves and then answered questions presented by those in attendance. The questions asked are listed below. Specific answers were not documented so as to not misquote or misrepresent anyone responses.

1. Do you support exploring the possibility of transitioning from city (public works) to private trash collection?
2. What problems that city hall has been unable to solve do you plan to solve?
3. What challenges do you see for our city in the coming 5 years?
4. If you were on City Council or if you had been on City Council, how did you or how would you have voted on the personal property tax (increase)?
5. What will be the impact of upcoming DOD 2015-2016 SEQUESTER (Phase2) on VB budget and (city) tax incomes?
6. How would you plan to pay for Light Rail? In case of cost overrun and Maintenance and Operations? Could this cost degrade our triple-A credit rating?
7. Does the City provide good Civic Engagement and how would you make it better?
8. What are your positions on the issues at Burton Station and its Strategic Growth Area?

Old Business: None

New Business: Mr. John Burkard, Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad, was recognized as a recipient of this year's Neptune Festival Hometown Hero award. John also told us about two upcoming volunteer opportunities for OPVRS – Onsite Blood Drive and Golf Contest Fundraiser.

Next SDCC General Meeting – Monday September 29, 2014 at 7:30pm in the Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad Hall. We will try to have the City Project Manager of the Lesner Bridge Replacement present an update and Q&A.

Meeting Adjourned –8:55pm **Motion to adjourn made by Empsy Munden and 2nd by Ann Williams. Motion passed unanimously.**