

Minutes for August 25, 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 7:31pm by David Williams. 14 attendees.

Special Guests: At-Large School Board Candidate Ashley McLeod was recognized and briefly talked about her background and priorities.

Special Presentation: Post-Hurricane Recovery for Neighborhoods by Mr. David Williams. David explained what neighborhoods should be prepared for "After the Hurricane". Dave provided details on the following:

- Post Storm Recovery Plans – Having one is essential. Recovery is much more labor demanding.
- Post Storm Conditions – Identify dangers and medical support needs, establish communications structure
- Initial Neighborhood Efforts – Identify available resident's skills, set up command post, communicate often
- Disaster Supply List – Minimum essentials list

A copy of this information can be found at www.sdcc.info. Additional information is also listed at www.ReadyVirginia.gov

Officers Reports:

Treasurer Paulette Hruska – Checking=\$6613.75 and Special Accounts=\$1527.55 SDCC has 22 paid members for 2014.

Secretary Todd Solomon – July 28, 2014 minutes distributed. **A motion to approve with no changes was made by Marty Schuman and 2nd by Empsy Munden. The motion passed unanimously.**

Vice President Rick Mercadante – Not present.

President David Williams – David gave the special presentation on Hurricane Recovery Preparation.

Old Business:

Virginia Beach Transit Extension Study – Hampton Roads Transit (HRT) presented two options (Light Rail and Bus Rapid Transit) for 3 routes (Rosemont, Oceanfront, Hilltop/Oceanfront) for extending transit from Newtown Light Rail. City Council asked for a 4th route (Town Center) to be evaluated. HRT is performing this analysis and will present to Council when completed. At that time, Council will chose their favorite option and route to move forward.

Eastern Shore Drive Drainage Projects – The area east of the Lesner Bridge will have four phases of drainage improvements. Phase I (CIP 7-409) – Construction funded. Five backflow preventers installed in Lynnhaven Colony. Three sluice gates to be in Cape Henry ditch. Construction scheduled from Jan – June 2015. Phase II (CIP 7-151) – Engineering only funded. Area between Lesner and West Great Neck. New pump stations and piping to Long Creek. Phase III (CIP 7-409) – Engineering funding only. Area between West Great Neck and State Park. Upgrade of Case Story pump station and piping. Phase IV (CIP 7-151) – Engineering funding only. Areas North of Shore Drive. Canned pumps and piping to Chesapeake Bay beach.

Neighborhood Dredging Program – The City has funded and has received bids to dredge the Western (CIP 8-005) and Eastern (CIP 8-110) branches of the Lynnhaven River between the Inlet and Virginia Beach Blvd. The Western Branch will use the already built transfer station at Thalia. The Eastern Branch will use a yet to be built transfer station at the SW corner of the Pep Boys parking lot. After these projects are completed, all neighborhood dredging projects should be able to transfer spoils south to VB Blvd using the new stations and deeper channels. The inlet dredging will continue to be placed on Cape Henry beaches. Proper scheduling of neighborhood dredging on the branches should eliminate any need for a transfer station at Crab Creek.

New Business: Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO) needs 3 new directors. They are also hosting their annual Civic League Picnic on Thursday Sept. 18th at Mt. Trashmore.

Next SDCC General Meeting – Monday September 29, 2014 at 7:30pm in the Ocean Park Volunteer Rescue Squad Hall.

Meeting Adjourned –8:50pm **Motion to adjourn made by Ann Williams and 2nd by Paulette Hruska. Motion passed unanimously.**