September 2020

League Regular Meetings

Because of concerns surrounding COVID-19 and the possibility that Bow Creek Recreation Center will continue to have restrictions on the number of people that can be in the center at one time, I have decided to hold virtual meetings using Zoom. The virtual meetings will definitely be held for the Sept. 8 meeting and tentatively for the November, December and January meetings. The new League officers will be sworn in at the October meeting.

What is Zoom and what does this mean for you? Zoom is a web-based video conferencing tool with a local, desktop client and a mobile app that allows users to meet online; with or without video (it is similar to Skype.) To attend the meeting, you will have to download the application Zoom at www.zoom.com Once you are there, click on the orange button that says "Sign Up for Free" and follow the directions. When given the chance to download the Zoom application. DOWNLOAD THE FREE APP ONLY! Call me with questions at 486-6506.

By President Bob Elms

PAPCL.ORG Website Updates

The League's website front page and flooding pages have been updated with the latest information concerning hurricane prep. Go to www.papcl.org and once on the front page, click the icon "Know Your Zone" for more information.

PRINCESS ANNE PLAZA CIVIC LEAGUE

General meetings are the **SECOND Tuesday** of the month and begin at 7 p.m.

Dates

OCTOBER 13 NOVEMBER 10 DECEMBER 8

JANUARY 12, 2021

Place

Via Zoom until further notice

Bow Creek Recreation Ctr., Rm. 2 3427 Club House Road

<u>WWW.PAPCL.ORG</u> WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PRINCESSANNEPLAZA/

UPDATE: Flooding Concerns with 4545 South Blvd. Apartment Project

At the March 2020 regular meeting, League members voted to have President Elms ask City Council to not approve the CUP to change zoning at 4545 South Boulevard. The developer wanted to build five apartment buildings on the property with over 160 new apartments. The application was finally heard in July and approved by Council.

League Dues

Meetings earlier this year were canceled because of COVID-19 and social distancing requirements placed on the Rec Center, and we are still unsure of when the League will meet "in person." Therefore, I have made the decision to delay the collection of dues until January 2021. Also, the dues amount will be \$8 (versus \$12) for the remainder of the membership year which ends each August.

By President Bob Elms

PAPCL Officer Elections

Ballots to elect officers for the upcoming year have been posted on the League's website and Facebook page. Please vote soon if you have not already done so as election results will be announced at the Sept. 8 Zoom virtual meeting.

2020 Census

The 2020 Census is a population count of everyone living in the United States. Information from the Census is used to allocate nearly \$700 *billion* in federal funding for community services like schools, hospitals, roads, fire stations, Medicare, Medicaid and more.

Enumerators, commonly known as Census takers, are now conducting the "non-response follow-up" portion of the Census. Census takers, who have photo identification, will interview the residents of every household that has not responded via the online or paper forms to collect Census information.

Clean the Bay Day 2020



While Clean the Bay Day 2020 was officially canceled this year, a few League members expressed an interest in tackling the clean up. These men, also members of American Legion Post 113, volunteered for the PAPCL 2019 clean up of the retention ponds at Bow Creek Rec Center. League member and CBD zone captain Fran Sansone joined Steve Brodie, Cliff Dietz, Wade Meade, and Derek Fick in collecting 50 pounds of trash.

City Council Upcoming Elections

Virginia Beach operates under the Council-Manager form of government. The 11 member Council is the City's governing body with members serving four-year terms and elected on a staggered basis. All registered voters are eligible to vote for all members of City Council. Three council members and the mayor serve "At Large" with no district residency requirement while all other council members are required to live in the districts they represent: Centerville, Bayside, Beach, Kempsville, Lynnhaven, **Princess** Anne, and Rose Hall. In addition to the mayor's seat, Districts on the 2020 ballot are Centerville, Kempsville, Rose Hall, one At Large seat.

2020 General Election Important Dates

Voter registration deadline:

Tuesday, October 13 (close of business)

Absentee ballot application (By Mail) deadline:

Friday, October 23 (5pm)

<u>Absentee ballot (IN-PERSON)</u> deadline:

Saturday, October 31 (5pm)

<u>Voted ballot returned to Registrar's</u> <u>office deadline</u>:

Postmarked on or before Tuesday, November 3 (7pm) <u>or</u> in Registrar's office Friday, November 6 (Noon)

City of Virginia Beach - Paid Election Day Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a poll worker, now is the time to join the City's election team.

Poll workers are paid \$140 each election and an additional \$20 to attend a specialized 3-hour training class. Sign up or apply online at: https://virginiabeachva.easypollworker.com

For the best experience with this website, the City suggests using Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Mozilla Firefox. Internet Explorer *is not* a supported browser and will not work.

You can also stop by the Registrar's office at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center Building 14 with your acceptable IDs to complete the paperwork. The deadline to submit completed forms: September 25.

Virginia Beach City Registrar

Stormwater Management

The hurricane season is here and I'm sure you/we are all prepared for what is to come. With that in mind, I would like to provide a few links so you are better able to pass along information about your neighborhood if flooding should occur. Providing shelter info is better promulgated by the news media and the City's webpage.

To pass along flooding pictures, send them to Stormwater Management at stormpics@vbgov.com. When you are taking your pictures, keep in mind these few requirements before taking the pictures:

- Where the picture was taken (the street address or intersection of the flooding in the picture)
- What day and time the picture was taken?
- Some type of visual reference point that shows how high the water reached during the storm that can help us determine the extent and severity of flooding (a benchmark – We use benchmarks to measure elevations which are used in the models.)

Also, near the bottom of the page at the following link are examples of helpful and not so helpful pictures: https://www.vbgov.com/government/de https://www.vbgov.com/government/de partments/public-works/storm-water-drain-water-drai

plan-6-8-17.aspx

By President Elms

This year, NAS Oceana will broadcast its annual air show online on Saturday, Sept. 19 from 12 to 4 p.m. Get more show details, info, schedule updates and how to view online, go to:

www.facebook.com/navalairstationoc eana.

Dues remain only \$12 per year per family/household. Your dues support the civic league in the publication of the newsletter, social media, participation in community events, local church food pantries, Samaritan House, holiday meals for families in our area, and more. Thank you for your continued support and for renewing your membership.

President Elms has noted dues collection would be postponed until January 2021 and the amount would be reduced to \$8. Your civic league appreciates your support and any consideration you can give to renew in September and at the normal \$12 amount.

Renewal & New Member Form Enclose this form with your payment of \$12	
Last Name	First Name
Street Address in ZIP Code 23452	
Telephone #	Cell Phone #
E-Mail Address. Please print clearly.	
Can you help the League by serving on the Executive Board or a Committee	
Yes	No
Mail to: Treasurer Sarah Johnson 937 Carriage Hill Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452	

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