

**Baycliff Civic League Minutes**  
**Alanton Elementary**  
**November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

President Frank Cunningham called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. There were 14 in attendance.

**Upcoming events review**

**Luminary Lighting** – Saturday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Debbie Stephens in charge of the event and needs volunteers to help set up packages of bags to be distributed to residents. List was sent around for people in attendance to sign up. We will need to get help delivering the Luminary bags and flyers (block captains can not perform this function due to time constraints).

**Adult Party** – Saturday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. New Residents Michael and Christine Mueller have opened their home to the Adult party to help them meet the residents. List was sent around for people in attendance to sign up to help.

**Entrance Decorations** - Marian Buis has decorations in storage at her home. Need pineapples for wreaths. Tentative date is Sunday November 27<sup>th</sup>. Time unknown at this time. Marian to contact Christine. List was sent around for people in attendance to sign up to help.

**Santa Visit** – Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm. Janie Cecelic in charge of the event. List was sent around for people in attendance to volunteer to bake cookies.

Sign up sheets were recapped and e-mailed with name and phone number to all Civic league leadership and event chairpersons on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Need **advertising chairman** for the upcoming selling campaign which will begin in spring 2012. John Hogan will continue to do art and Christine Westendorf to do the editing.

Janice Ray brought up an issue we are having with getting **consistent help weeding the front entrance**. The same people are doing the work. The civic league did pay a “young person” to weed over the summer; can this be continued or considered for next year’s budget? Issue is that many of the garden club members are not able to do the bending over weeding work that is needed. Janice Ray will get an estimate to Frank and Susannah along with contact information to look at as a “one off” until the next budget is set.

Frank Cunningham has moved to President of Civic League, Larry Slade has moved to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Christine Westendorf has volunteered to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

**Picnic Area discussion** - The decision to go in stages to see if there would be any negative affect of having picnic tables available will increase the cost of the project. Bill Seith would like to discuss at the next meeting in further detail to determine the “correct path to take”.

**Fall Festival – Chili Cook Off** – had to be cancelled. City was notified by an unknown source about the event. Marian received many calls on the event from city officials with several issues arising. Need an ABC permit to serve beer another permit to serve food and another permit for the “entertainment”. Frank Cunningham would like Marion to provide the point of contact at the city to determine if these permits are needed going forward for all Civic League events. Will this change the future course of upcoming community gatherings at the boat ramp area?

## **Dredging Project –**

SSD not going to happen

- Too costly with unnecessary dredging.
- Initial estimate had some “funny” math with only showing a moderate tax increase due to the new real estate assessments.
- The waterfront properties would have 16 years of a higher tax bracket that would deter future buyers.
- SSD would involve properties on the “other side” of the canal and allow them access.
- City has been unable to resolve the issue on the transfer station. Robin Hood Forest project which has been approved by the residents has not proceeded due to the transfer station issue.
- City did not agree to dredge for “free” if we allowed our boat ramp area as a transfer station.

Jim Cecelic to provide an estimate at the January meeting to do the dredging as our own contractor and dredging only what needs to be dredged.

**Susannah Uroskie presented the Treasures report.** Checking account balance \$6829.15, Money Market Account \$44,063.09 for a total of \$50,936.44. Since the dolphin cruise was cancelled we had to write refund checks to those that had already paid. Lesson learned that in the future we will not deposit checks until the event occurs. We do have 9 residents that have paid their 2012 dues.

**VBCCO information** was published in the September Bugle. Next meeting November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the Public Library. No speaker at this meeting. Frank will see about attending one of the VBCCO meeting with John in the future.

Marion Buis brought up the “**gang**” of young teens on bikes and skate boards that “challenge” joggers, bikers and even cars. The best course of action for a resident to take is to call 911 and notify the parents of the teen (if known). Even though the teens will probably not be around when the police respond we can put the police on alert to patrol our area more frequently. DO NOT confront the teens. If a confirmation is between a minor and adult, the adult is not going to win.

This may be a **good topic for our January meeting.** Perhaps have a police officer come and discuss what actions should be taken.

**Car break-ins** – Christine sent information out to the residents on the need to lock your car and not leave valuables in your car such as purses, cash, GPS, etc.

Larry Slade 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President will be picking the topic for the January meeting.

Bob Swink brought **up the dead trees that are in community property** that need to be removed. Many dead trees have been removed however there are still one or two trees that are on community property that have the potential to fall onto Mill Dam Road. Frank, Bill and Marion will walk the community area to identify the trees.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectively submitted,

Recording Secretary Janie Cecelic