

**BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2020
BAYSIDE RECREATION CENTER**

Vice Chairman Charlie Malbon, Wally Damon, Phil Davenport, Bill Hearst, Martin Thomas

STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Shea – Planning, Victoria Eisenberg – City Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT:

Denise Bowman-Scott – BAC Volunteer, Todd Solomon – Shore Drive Community Coalition, Empsy Munden – Cape Story by the Sea, Tim Solanic – Shore Drive Community Coalition

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Damon seconded the motion and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Vice-Chair Malbon introduced the newest voting member William (Bill) Hearst. Mr. Hearst formerly served on the Beaches and Waterways Commission. Mr. Malbon stated that there is a bench along the Bay under the west side of the Lesner Bridge that is dedicated to Kal Kassir and his service. Mr. Shea later found out that an anonymous donor paid for Parks and Recreation to install the plaque.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Mr. Damon made a motion to elect Mr. Davenport as Chair. There were no other nominees. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Mr. Damon made a motion to elect Mr. Malbon as Vice-Chair. There were no other nominees. Mr. Davenport seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Shea indicated that there were no items on the upcoming Board of Zoning Appeals and Chesapeake Bay Commission agendas. Mr. Shea read off the list of short term rental applications that will go to Planning Commission in March and April.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Stacey Shiflet stated that we need to advertise soon for selection of artist for the Love Art sign.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Shea gave an update regarding Comprehensive Plan public input.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Todd Solomon, of SDCC, informed the Commission that a lease for land at the Wharf site near Lynnhaven Boat Ramp has been discussed by City Council. A 2500 square foot temporary building will be constructed to support the development of the off-shore wind project. City Council plans to vote on the lease on 3/3/20. SDCC has concerns about a lack of city oversight of key elements. Ocean Park has a list of questions for Public Works to answer at the upcoming civic league meeting on 3/5/20. A primary comment from the civic league is to move the building further south. Mr. Soloman asked if BAC could make a motion to defer the lease approval until the Ocean Park questions are answered.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to ask City Council to defer the lease until the questions from Ocean Park Civic League are answered. Mr. Damon seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Chairman Davenport will draft and send a letter asking for the lease deferral.

Mr. Solomon expressed concerns from SDCC regarding the Westminster Canterbury expansion project including but not limited to:

- Concern with height and impact with neighbors along with overall Shore Drive character.
- Concern over safety and maintenance of pedestrian bridge.
- Concern over beach access as planned.

Mr. Solomon stated that SDCC is supportive of a "Your speed is" sign on Shore Drive near the State Park entrance.

Ms. Munden suggested a 35mph speed sign be placed near the Great Neck Road/ Lynnhaven Drive intersection.

Lynnhaven River Now recently received the deed for additional wetlands adjacent to Marina Shores.

Concerns were raised over deficient Lesner Bridge lighting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.