

Minutes of Cape Conservation Corps Meeting on 8/15/2022

The meeting was held at the Cape St. Claire clubhouse.

In attendance (alphabetically): Alison Sayres, Bill Rappoport, Brad Knopf, Jeanne Klinger, Karen Minor, Phil Ourisson, Stacey Wildberger

Call to order: 7:09pm.

1. The July minutes were approved.
2. Treasurer's report:
 - a. Phil emailed the numbers: General Fund \$12,982 available. Grants Fund \$6,183. We still haven't gotten the invoice for spraying.
 - b. Phil reserved the sign board and confirmed the clubhouse for Jackie Specht's presentation.
 - c. Phil kept up with the CCC website, including adding meeting minutes and blog posts.
3. Old business:
 - a. Stacey sent out request for money from people who owe T-shirts.
 - b. Stacey attended last week's monthly Board of Governor's meeting. Her summary: Candidate's Night will be on Thursday September 29th from 7pm-10pm; They are still doing water quality testing through Labor Day; Spraying for mosquitoes continues; There is a lack of security officers; To help increase revenue, the board is considering incrementally raising clubhouse rental rates, which are low compared to many places. (Cape St. Claire groups get a free rental every month for meetings, and then 1 event per year.); Beau talked about the Beach project. Not much going on. (Fairwinds Marina wants a connection to tie into Cape sewer. The owner came and talked about that at the quarterly meeting.); New chairs & 2 new tables were purchased.
 - c. Stacey submitted her article and the Plant Sale flyer for the Caper. Brad will send it to Phil to post on the CCC website. Stacey's post about the Plant Sale got a lot of attention from the Gardening with Native Plants Facebook page.
 - d. Weed Warriors report: Alison, Stacey, Brad, and Vera worked at Deep Creek last time on Jeanne's project area and filled a couple bags. The area looks good. Weeding last week was cancelled due to the heat and Stacey going out of town. Weeding this week will be at the Serene Ravine. The Bushkiller vine is regrowing, especially at the far end of the path and beyond where it was really heavy before. Stacey told Drew she would like to meet with him at the site to arrange for spraying later in September.
 - e. The guest speaker event, with Jackie Specht from the Nature Conservancy, will be on Friday, November 4th from 6:00-9:00 pm at the clubhouse. Beau agreed to speak after Jackie. Jackie will bring her computer, but she will need a projector. Phil will look into borrowing the projector and screen that was used recently at the quarterly meeting.
 - f. Big Trees committee: Al sent an email to Robert Corletta today. We will see if he's still interested. (He mentioned he was interested at the Strawberry Festival). Al will reach out to Brad and Larry to coordinate on the first committee meeting date. The event is tentatively September or October.
 - g. Tree Trooper project: The CSC Board approved Katie Scott Kelly to plant 15 trees at Little Magothy Beach. Next week, Weed Warriors will go back over there to weed. The cost for trees will be \$100 for Lydia's and \$300 for Katie's. (\$400 for 20 trees.) We are hoping to split the cost with the Cape BOG.

- h. Bella's fundraiser: Stacey dropped off a letter to Julie Ann about the wine pairing, which could possibly provide us a few hundred dollars. Stacey will follow up a little later.
 - i. Ace Fundraiser: Stacey just dropped off a letter Thursday to Melissa asking to be considered one of their "round up" months. She'll follow up a little later.
 - j. WSA candidate report: The project is progressing well. Lydia submitted the Unity Gardens application. We will get an update on that.
4. New business:
- a. Plant Anne Arundel County Bee Pollinator Lab: RePollinate Anne Arundel is a collaborative project between the Anne Arundel County Watershed Stewards Academy and the University of Maryland Extension Master Gardeners. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/U.S. Geological Survey, Native Bee Inventory and Monitoring Lab, and Native Plant Nursery helped enable the production of 3000 native plants to be donated to communities in Anne Arundel County this fall. Stacey applied for 72 free plants. They only have 15 applicants, so we have a good chance of approval. We would get them in September, and they would be planted at the Little Magothy Beach site.
 - b. The Native Plant Sale date is Saturday, September 17th. Update/progress: Stacey will ask Katherine about possibly using her driveway for leftover plants. Bill asked about Sign-up Genius. Stacey will set that up. We should start gathering boxes to bring to the sale. Bill and Stacey have a collection of blank plastic trays to bring. Everyone should bring whatever you have. Phil asked Stacey to email him the list of plants so he can put them on the website. Delivery of plants will occur on Friday morning from 8:00am to noon. We'll need signs on Cape St Claire Rd; At 7am Saturday morning, we will set up tables, canopy, and plant signs.
 - Phil and Alison will be the cashiers this time.
 - Bill: snips to cut flats on Friday, his canopy, boxes/trays
 - Karen: all her tables, 6 chairs, aluminum pan for dogs
 - Phil: cashier supplies, rags and cleaner for tables, ask Mary about borrowing Cape tables
 - Stacey: tape gun, rags, sharpies and ask Laura to help with the signs (will need new ones for the new plants)
 - Jeanne K: markers; gallon of water, rags, drinks for us, and look up information and do the plant tags
 - c. Stacey commented that the setup and flow was good last year, such as having ground covers together, plugs together, and shrubs on the ground. Stacey sent out the lists in case someone wants to pre-order. With shrubs at the lower price, our total is about \$22K, of which \$2K for Lydia's plants. Stacey eliminated the plants that were leftovers, so she trimmed the ferns and still could trim more. To account for recent raises in process from vendors, we will go from \$4 & \$6 for quarts and gallons last year to \$5 & \$7, respectively. For shrubs, we have two different vendors: 1) the guy from Southern Md who contacted Stacey on Facebook, we are paying \$9 for them. 2) Alison Milligan. Stacey will get the shrub varieties based on her Facebook survey on what people like: American Beautyberry, Maple leaf Viburnum, St John's Wort, and Witch hazel. Stacey sent an invoice for 40 shrubs. She will contact Lydia, who will contact WSA about picking up the shrubs. At the sale, Lydia will talk about her project and explain the turf run-off demonstration; Stacey will confirm with these participants: Adkins Arboretum, Bay-wise, Chris Pax (possible), Nancy Lawson, Magothy River Association, Pollinator Pathways, and Unity Gardens.
 - d. Stacey will get some of flyers printed to put in the community. Stacey will ask Marita to share it with her contacts, and we have the CCC Facebook page. Phil will post to the sale on Next Door.

Adjourned 8:17pm.