

CYPT CA VB MONTHLY NEWSLETTER The Point

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ASSOCIATION NEWS:

CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) Meeting: We had an informative meeting with Nancy Bloom on 16 February at the Rec Center. She is the VB Community Engagement Manager. She presented a variety of links to the various projects the city has initiated to enhance community engagement. If you missed her at this meeting don't worry-she will be our guest speaker at our Association meeting in May. The next CAC meeting will be at 6:30 on 16 March at the Rec Center.

Association Meeting: Our next meeting is tomorrow evening, 21 February. The formal meeting, which starts at 7PM, will be preceded by an informal "Meet and Greet" at 6:45 and even before that we'll sponsor a "New to Cypress Point" gathering at 6:30PM. Our guest speaker will be Sylvia Whyte who is the lead on Disaster Response from Dominion Energy. We'll also have some light refreshments, a 50/50 raffle, and our 3rd Precinct police liaison. As always, we'll meet at the Cypress Point CC clubhouse.

One topic of general discussion on the agenda will be the possibility of development of the VA Tech Agricultural Research Station off of Northampton and the move of that facility south to the Pungo area.

Annual Hardcopy Newsletter: The annual hardcopy has been distributed and should have been at your doorstep by now. It has been expanded this year in order to serve as our "Welcome Packet" of years past. In it you will find a wealth of information. Please take the time to review the last page and fill out and mail away your dues for membership in the association for 2023.

<u>Website</u>: Don't forget to check out our website from time to time. Located at: <u>https://cyptca.com/</u>

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Disaster Prep- Have you looked at and rotated your emergency food supplies?



Without electricity or a cold source food stored in refrigerators and freezers can become unsafe. Bacteria in food grow rapidly at temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit and if these foods are consumed you can become very sick. Thawed food usually can be eaten if it is still "refrigerator cold." It can be re-frozen if it still contains ice crystals. Remember "When in doubt, throw it out."

Do:

- Keep food in covered containers.
- Keep cooking and eating utensils clean.
- Throw away any food that has come into contact with contaminated flood water.
- Throw away any food that has been at room temperature for two hours or more.
- Throw away any food that has an unusual odor, color or texture.
- Use ready-to-feed formula. If you must mix infant formula use bottled water or boiled water as a last resort.

Don't:

- Eat foods from cans that are swollen, dented or corroded, even though the product may look safe to eat.
- Eat any food that looks or smells abnormal, even if the can looks normal.
- Let garbage accumulate inside, both for fire and sanitation reasons.

Canned foods can be kept almost indefinitely as long as they are not damaged or leaking or bulging. For optimum quality, however, replace canned goods within 12 to 18 months. Be sure to store emergency supplies where they will be safe from insects and rodent pests as well as flooding.

Other recommended items that can con-tribute to an emergency food supply include the following.

- Smoked or dried meats like beef jerky
- · Juices that are powdered, crystallized, or shelf-stable
- Bouillon cubes, dried "soups in a cup," or canned soups
- Powdered or canned milk
- Staples like sugar, salt, pepper
- Crackers, Melba toast
- · High energy foods like peanut butter, jelly, crackers, nuts, trail mix, dried fruits, granola bars
- · Stress foods like sugar cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals
- Vitamins
- Dried products, such as instant cereals, puddings, juice, rice and potatoes, will require an additional water supply for rehydration.

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<u>Crime Prevention</u>: Soliciting is not allowed in Cypress Point and is regulated by the city. In that odd case where a solicitor gets through consider these points:

Door-to-Door Sales Tactics Seniors are favorite targets of unscrupulous door-to-door salespeople. Citizens who live alone may have a difficult time knowing how to react when faced with a high-pressure door-to-door salesperson or contractor. To avoid some of these scams, we suggest the following:

- Do not do business with door-to-door salespeople unless you verify they have a local office.
- Contractors should be able to prove they have a contractor's license, and that they are insured.
- Get references that are over a month old and contact those references to verify work quality.

• You should never feel pressured to have something done that day. Take the time to reflect on the idea and ask someone you trust about what they think. Carefully consider all possibilities.

• If you are told this is a "1 day only" offer, or that they have "just enough material left over to do a job for you", be very guarded. This is a common tactic used by many offenders.

• Get a 2nd opinion if you are told you need work done immediately, especially when someone else initiates the action. Your situation may not be as bad as the salesperson would like you to believe.

• Make sure agreements for services or estimates are in writing. Review it carefully.

• Verify the identity of the contractor and company and write down their license plate information and vehicle description.

In the Garden: FEBRUARY GARDENING.



You can do a mix of gardening outdoors and planning indoors if you garden in the Mid-Atlantic in February. Some years, a hint of spring will already be in the air.

- Start seeds of cool-season vegetables and of annual flowers.
- Watch for frost heaves. "Frost heave" refers to the uplift of watersaturated soil or other surface deposits due to expansion on freezing. The importance of the phenomenon to gardeners lies in the fact that plant crowns can be pushed above ground by frost heaves. This leaves them more exposed to the cold than they would otherwise be, making them potentially vulnerable. If you detect frost heaves around your plants, apply mulch to protect the plant crowns.
- Take advantage of those rare sunny days and get back outside and prune trees and shrubs, which are still dormant.
- Perform rejuvenation pruning on <u>hollies</u> if needed.
- Check evergreens for signs of desiccation; water them during thaws.

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Safety Patrol- February Topics:



National Heart Month

Global employee health is important at all times. However, with the CDC reporting that heart conditions are responsible for one death every 36 seconds in the US, National Heart Month (or American Heart Month) is an event not to be missed.

There are several risk factors when it comes to heart health. These include:

- Diabetes
- Being overweight or obses
- An unhealthy diet
- Physical inactivity
- Excessive alcohol or drug use

Helpfully, the CDC (Center for Disease Control) has put together some downloadable content, videos, and GIFs to share with your team around heart disease. Even if you cram the topic into just one of your toolbox talks, make sure that your employees are aware of the risk factors. You can remind them throughout the month of the importance of taking care of their hearts.

Rainwater

February is one of the wettest months of the year and, as such, rainwater needs to be taken into consideration. Although it might sound like a dull topic, wet surfaces can cause hazards for all employees. Wet floors can contribute to workplace safety accidents such as slips, trips, and falls. Not only that, but OSHA also notes that heavy rain can increase the danger of using cranes and hoists particularly for those working in construction.

The combination of rainwater and cold air can also create snow, ice, and slippery surfaces. While there aren't any specific guidelines around working in the rain, OSHA recommends:

- Moving cautiously, particularly on ladders or at heights
- Using the correct equipment and tools that can be used in the rain with non-slip handles
- Proper personal protective equipment (PPE) including proper footwear and trousers that don't drag on the floor
- Suitable hand protection with grip
- Wearing high-visibility clothing to make sure all workers can be seen by each other

History Corner: This month in US History:

February 1, 2003 - Sixteen minutes before it was scheduled to land, the Space Shuttle Columbia broke apart in flight over west Texas, killing all seven crew members Page 5, The Point, 20 Feb 2023

February 2, 1848 - The war between the U.S. and Mexico ended with the signing of the <u>Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo</u>.

February 3, 1865 - A four-hour peace conference occurred between President Abraham Lincoln and Confederate Vice President <u>Alexander Stephens</u> at Hampton Roads, Virginia.

February 3, 1870 - The 15th <u>Amendment</u> to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right of citizens to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

February 3, 1913 - The 16th <u>Amendment</u> to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, granting Congress the authority to collect income taxes.

February 8, 1910 - The Boy Scouts of America was founded by William Boyce in Washington, D.C., modeled after the British Boy Scouts

February 9, 1943 - During <u>World War II in the Pacific</u>, U.S. troops captured Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands after six months of battle, with 9,000 Japanese and 2,000 Americans killed

February 15, 1898 - In Havana, the U.S. <u>Battleship *Maine*</u> was blown up while at anchor and quickly <u>sank</u> with 260 crew members lost.

February 20, 1962 - Astronaut John Glenn became the first American launched into orbit.

February 23, 1991 - In Desert Storm, the Allied ground offensive began after a devastating month-long air campaign targeting Iraqi troops in both Iraq and Kuwait.

February 27, 1991 - In Desert Storm, the 100-hour ground war ended as Allied troops entered Kuwait just four days after launching their offensive against Saddam Hussein's Iraqi forces.

<u>Neighborhood Crimes Report</u> from VBGov.com/ePRO: It looks like our old friend e-PRO is going out of business. I'll keep you posted on developments.

As part of our ongoing commitment to data-driven practices and technology improvements, VBPD has moved to a new records management system. Unfortunately, our new system does not work with EPRO. EPRO will continue to be available for historical data. We are in the process of looking for an open-data software that will address the void this has created. In the meantime, please <u>submit a FOIA request</u> for data from December 2022 to present time that you would have previously searched for on EPRO. We regret the inconvenience.

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Precinct Crimes Report from VBGov.com/WAVES:

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WAVES

CITY NEWS: There have been some changes to the VBGov.com website so we'll be moving to VirginiaBeach.Gov. Below I have reprinted a feature of that new website which is a <u>calendar of events.</u> If interested in more details please go the website yourself.

SUN	FEB 19	MON	FEB 20	TUE FI	EB 21	WED	FEB 22	THU	FEB 23	FRI	FEB 24	SAT	FEB 25
		 Wetlands Board Informal Hearing Wetlands Board Formal Hearing 		 Ø Virginia Beach Development Authority Ø City Council Informal and Formal Session 		RAC G.R.E.E.N. Committee - IN PERSON Process Improvement Steering Committee		RAC Transportation, Parking, Pedestrian		Public Art Committee Meeting Meeting	Committee		
								Committee (TPPC) - Virtual					
			ED: Housing	Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities		VBCDC Board Meeting		Enhancement Committee (OEC) - IN PERSON					
		Advisory Board Meeting (3 or more members of City		Persons with Disabilities		 Historic Preservation Commission Executive Committee Historic Preservation Commission Executive Committee 		Board of Equalization					
		Council may attend)	Green Ribt Committee					oon					
			study Public ting (Virtual) members of					Councilme Henley's Tow			mber Barbara n Meeting		
		City Cound Attend)						Housing Study Public Input Meeting (Virtual) (3 or more members of CC may attend)					
SUN	FEB 26	MON	FEB 27	TUE F	EB 28		MAR 1	THU	MAR 2		MAR 3	SAT	MAR 4
		Chesapea Preservation Informal Ses	n Area Board			Board of Zon (BZA) Van Trip	ing Appeals	🗇 Planning C Van Trip	ommission				
						Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Informal Session Investigation Review		🗟 Board of E	qualization				
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		Mayor's V Committee				Panel Board of Zon (BZA) Formal H		ARTS & HU COMMISSIO Cultural Equi					

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	FEB 26		FEB 27		FEB 28	WED	MAR 1	THU MAR	FRI	MAR 3	SAT	MAR 4
		Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Board				Board of Zoning Appe (BZA) Van Trip	als	Planning Commission Van Trip				
		Informal Session				Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Informal Session		Board of Equalization				
		Preservation Area Board Formal Hearing				Investigation Review Panel		Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting				
								ARTS & HUMANITIES COMMISSION (AHC)-Cultural				
						Historic Preservation Commission		Equity Committee Virtual Conversation				
								Transition Area - ITA Citizen				
						RAC Oceanfront SGA Committee (OSGAC) - IN PERSON		Advisory Committee	-			
						1st Precinct CAC Meeting						
SUN	MAR 5	MON	MAR 6	TUE	MAR 7	WED	MAR 8	THU MAR	FRI	MAR 10	SAT	MAR 11
						Planning Commission Informal Briefing		Resort Area Mobility Plan (RAMP) Steering Committee	Minority Business Council (MBC)		VBGIGS Presents The Rhodes Academy of Irish Dance (FREE	
				PERSON		Planning Commission Formal Hearing		Advertising Advisory Committee	🗇 Friday Night OUT	EVENT)		
						Historic Preservation Commission Student Leaders Committee		Board of Equalization	ntion Bond			
								Flood Prevention Bond Referendum Oversight Board				
						Cannabis Town Hall by Councilmember Sat Wooten		Flood Prevention Bond Referendum Oversight Board (Location Change)	***			
								Human Rights Commission				
							Clean Community Commission					
SUN	MAR 12	MON	MAR 13	TUE N	IAR 14	WED	MAR 15	THU MAR 1	i FRI	MAR 17	SAT	MAR 18
		 Oceana Land Use Conformity Committee Public Library Board 				Historical Review Board		Board of Equalization	Social Services Advisory Board/ Community Services Board Joint			
								Bayfront Advisory Commission				
		Meeting							Community Services Board			

Here is the agenda for the next city council meeting on 21 Feb 2023:

v.	FORMAL SESSION	- City Council Cha	mber -	6:00 PM
	A. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Robert M	 "Bobby" Dyer 		
	B. INVOCATION Ms. Ruby Christian Chaplain, Cit	ty of Virginia Beach		
	C. MOMENT OF SILENCE			
	D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO TH	IE FLAG OF THE UN	ITED STATES OF	AMERICA
	E. ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL			
	F. CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SE	SSION		
	G. MINUTES			
	 INFORMAL and FORMAL SESSI FORMAL SESSION 	ONS	February 7, 2023 February 14, 2023	
	H. MAYOR'S PRESENTATIONS			
	 PROCLAMATION Pastor E. Ray Cox Sr. 			
	 RESOLUTION – L & J GARDENS Rebecca Saunders, Civic League Pr 			
	 CAVALIER HOTEL & RESORT I Bruce Thompson, CEO – Gold Key (Requested by Mayor Dyo Henley, Holcomb, Remick, 	/ PHR er, Vice Mayor Wilso		embers Berlucchi,
	I. PUBLIC HEARINGS			
	 LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY – F. Building 3, Space 14 to Gilly's Cre 			
	 DECLARATION AND EXCHAN Approximately 2,529 square feet o at 2640 Highland Meadows Way 			ı
	J. FORMAL SESSION AGENDA			
	1. CONSENT AGENDA			
	K. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS			
	 Ordinance to AMEND City Code 3 (Requested by Mayor Dyer, Vice 1 Remick, Ross-Hammond, Rouse, an 	Mayor Wilson, and C		

- Ordinance to AWARD a \$5,000 Community Services Micro-Grant to Jeanna's iFeed re support its "Collab to Impact" initiative (Requested by Council Member Wooten)
- Ordinance to AMEND City Code Section 10-1 re change the polling location for Precinct 0040 to Union Baptist Church at 4608 South Boulevard and to REQUEST a waiver to administer a split precinct for Precinct 0069 (Requested by the Virginia Beach Electoral Board) Deferred from February 7, 2023
- Ordinance to AMEND City Code Chapter 35.5 re Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Financing and Resiliency Program
- Ordinance to AMEND City Code Sections 5-531, 21-303, 23-7.1, 23-7.5, 27-7 and REPEAL Section 21-221 re law enforcement officers (Requested by the Sheriff's Office)
- 6. Ordinance to AUTHORIZE and DIRECT the City Manager to EXECUTE a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Virginia Beach Police Department and the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office re joint use of forces, equipment, and materials
- Resolution to REPEAL the City Council Policy re Advertisement of Public Notices for Tax or Fee Increases
- Resolution to SUPPORT the City's 2023 applications for Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Program Funding re Nimmo Parkway Phase VII-B and Virginia Beach Trail Phase I
- Resolution to APPROVE the School Board's entry into an Interim Agreement re the design work at Princess Anne High School, B.F. Williams/ Bayside 6th, and Bayside High School Deferred from September 6, 2022 and October 18, 2022: Version 1 (Requested by the Virginia Beach School Board) Version 2 (Requested by Vice Mayor Wilson)
- Resolution to AUTHORIZE and DIRECT the City Manager to EXECUTE an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the City re purchase of Agricultural Reserve Program Easements
- Ordinance to APPROPRIATE \$48,294,167 from the FY2021-22 School Reversion Funds to the Virginia Beach Public Schools FY2022-23 Operation Budget and Capital Improvement Program (Requested by the School Board) Deferred from December 13, 2022
- Ordinance to APPROPRIATE \$145,285.63 and PROVIDE to the Estate of Leslie Ann Parker re excess funds from tax sale
- Ordinance to APPROPRIATE \$70,000 of Fund Balance from the General Fund for an Incentive Grant to Old Dominion University re creation of the Institute of Data Science at Town Center
- Ordinance to ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE \$3,510 from AARP and FitLot to the Parks and Recreation FY2022-23 Operating Budget re instructor at the Williams Farm Outdoor Fitness Park