# CLAIBORNE ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING - MINUTES December 8, 2015 Submitted by Terry Babb

In Attendance: Mary Gregorio, Kirke Harper, Terry Babb, Rob Todd

Meeting called to order 7:05~p.m. Minutes from November board meeting approved by vote.

## Treasurer's Report

Judy was not able to attend but emailed that current bank balance is approximately \$34,500.

#### **Activity Update**

- Program Committee is Pat Flory, Suzanne Todd, Linda Harper, Shirley Cockey, Mo McHugh and Martha Hamlyn (away until spring).
- Concert scheduled for 12/13. Dessert at 6:30 concert to start at 7. Our Sherwood neighbors have been invited.
- Holiday Potluck and General Meeting is Saturday 12/19.
- Café has started on Tuesday with Becky Otter and Carol Kabler. Will start
  Monday through Thursday in January. Rob has volunteers for January but still
  needs February and March.
- Movie night starts Wednesday, January 6 7:00 and will have soup that evening.

#### **Grant Applications**

- Kirke submitted a letter of inquiry to Town Creek Foundation. This is the first step to see if they are interested in talking to us about a grant for a resiliency center. We would then document and prepare material and give talks to educate other villages in the Chesapeake area. Clay Stamp indicated he would send a letter of support.
- · We will know the amount of the Christmas in St. Michaels grant by February.
- Kirke has submitted a grant application for assistance with the cost of a wheel chair lift to Mid Shore Community. This has passed their first level of review.
- Later in 2016 we can apply to Choptank Electric for help with heating system in the annex.

# **Permit Application**

- Kirke met with Lane Engineering to see what changes need to be made on our plat so we can apply for zoning change.
- Kirke has a call in to Ann Morris, Environmental Health, to find out about the soil
  perc test. If it fails the soil test we can put in a holding tank. If it doesn't we
  would have to put in a standard septic system (not a BAT system).

## Village Emergency Radio System

 Kirke met with Bob Luff and talked about coming back to show us how to use the phones and run some drills.

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- We need to find someone interested in being the ham radio operator. Kirke
  mentioned it to Ed Schaefer on Miracle House Circle. It would require an antenna
  in the trees. Terry is concerned about interference issues on regular radio.
- At some point we would need a signal repeater antenna with 12 volt battery in order to reach all areas of Claiborne. Cost would be approximately \$3,000. Kirke spoke to John Scott but he wasn't aware of any sources of funding.

### Comprehensive Plan

- There is an item in the new Comprehensive Plan about emergency services people helping towns size emergency generators and Kirke will suggest that they add Villages. This could help with funding for generator.
- Kirke was a participant on the recent citizen round table dialog with the Council
  and brought everyone up to date.

### Village Hall Work

 Work day projects coming up are blocking for the joist in the annex, insulate, rehang doors, exterior trim to hold tyvek in place. Trying to make it somewhat air tight for the winter events.

## **Miscellaneous**

End of year fundraising, letters and help with hand addressing Discussed process to move ahead with selling the donated car