

**Corolla Civic Association Minutes**  
**May 24, 2018**  
**Corolla Library**

President Barbara Marzetti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members Gary McGee, Bill Collins and Gerri Adams were also present. A total of 23 members were in attendance, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes. A motion to approve the minutes of the April 26 Members' meeting was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Treasurer's Report. Gary reported that the current CCA general account balance is \$6,775.33. Disbursements for this fund in April were \$4.00 for an online subscription to the Virginian Pilot and \$25.66 for legal fund printing, which will be reimbursed from the legal expense fund.

Primary Election Results. Barb reported on the following results: Walter Jones won in the Republican primary for Congressman; Bob Steinberg defeated Clark Twiddy and will face Cole Phelps in the general election for a State Senate seat; Bobby Hanig defeated Ms. Boswell in the Republican primary for an Assembly seat, and will face Tess Judge, a Democrat who had no opposition in his primary; in the races for Commissioner positions, Mike Hall lost to Kevin McCord, who will face Joseph Payne, a Democratic candidate; in District 3, incumbent Mike Payment was unopposed; in District 5 Marion Gilbert lost to former Commissioner Owen Etheridge; Matt Beichert has been appointed to serve as Sheriff pro tem upon Susan Johnson's retirement. Barb said that CCA will plan to hold a candidate forum in the Fall, to be held during regular business hours on a Wed., Thurs. or Sat. at the Wildlife Center.

Occupancy Tax Update. Barb said that the only news is that CCA has sent a letter to the Commissioners asking them not to use Occupancy Tax proceeds to fund the new CFR startup costs. She said that Mr. Scanlon indicated at the April 2 BOC meeting that the Commissioners were willing to convert the grant of OT funds that was authorized at that meeting into a loan from the County's General Fund, which would be repaid by CFR via the new fire district tax. She also said that CCA is still seeking contributions to its Legal Expense Fund to cover its legal costs relating to OT matters.

North Beach Parking Permits. Barb reported that the permits will be issued on May 25. County taxpayers may pick up their free permits at County Welcome Centers or may apply online and a permit will be mailed to them.

New Business:

County Budget. The County has held one BOC Work Session on this subject, and canceled another one that had been scheduled. Normally the budget is voted on during the first week of June; if not approved unanimously at that meeting, it will be voted on at the next meeting and is subject to a majority vote for approval. We may not see a draft of the proposed budget until next Friday, June 1, which means that it will be voted upon on the following Monday.

Fire Service in Corolla. Barb said that at the May 21 BOC hearing on the district most of the speakers in favor were paid County employees of the district, and not Corolla residents. There was no explanation of the allocation of SAFER Grant.

The floor was opened for discussion, and the following issues were raised by Gary McGee:

Unified Government Issue. This has been raised again by the County at a recent Work Session. Camden County approved unified government but has not yet implemented it. The County's legislative representatives in Raleigh need to approve unification, in which case the rest of the legislature will approve. Gary is not sure if a County-wide referendum is required for approval, but will look into this. He said that unification forecloses any incorporation of a district in the County.

CCA Legal Expense Fund. We have had about 100 contributors. He urged members to reach out to other potential contributors, since the amount raised to date falls short of what we will need to pay for a litigation against the County.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Collins, Secretary