



# Election Day 2023 November 7

All polling locations open at 6 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. The following link takes you to the City of Virginia Beach Voter Registration and Elections website where you can find your polling location and voter registration status.

https://voter.virginiabeach.gov/elections/

And don't forget the City's new website address is:

www.virginiabeach.gov.



The City's recycling contract with Tidewater Fibre (TFC Recycling) expires on

June 30, 2024. City leaders are seeking residents' input on how to manage the recycling program. The feedback will be used to make policy decisions and help determine the funding allocation for recycling in the proposed FY24-25 budget.

Online survey comments close **Friday, Nov. 17!!** Even if you don't take the survey, you can check out the current recycling contract, scope of the program and background information.

https://speakupvb.com/Recycling

# November 2023

# PRINCESS ANNE PLAZA CIVIC LEAGUE

General meetings are the **SECOND Tuesday** of the month and begin at 7 p.m.

**2023 Dates** 

NOVEMBER 14

**DECEMBER 12** 

**2024 Dates** 

JANUARY 9 FEBRUARY 13

#### <u>Place</u>

Bow Creek Rec Center, Rm. 2 3427 Club House Road

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The Princess Anne Plaza Civic League Executive Board wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

#### **VBCCO News**

Election of Officers and Directors will take place on Wed., Nov. 15 at Bow Creek Recreation Center, 3427 Club House Drive beginning at 6:30pm. The current Officers and Directors were elected a few months ago as "interim" Officers just to get the organization standing back up on its feet. Newly elected officers and directors will lead the VBCCO for the next two years.

Each member civic organization, which includes the PAPCL, has two "electors" called Voting Representatives who vote on behalf of the member civic organization. Civic organization general members are encouraged to attend VBCCO meetings but do not have voting privileges.

# Plaza Volunteer Rescue Squad

Our Plaza Volunteer Rescue Squad has 50 volunteer members who have responded to over 6400 service calls. If you haven't already received their flyer, please note they're in the midst of their fall fundraising drive. Donations are used to purchase and maintain ambulances and life saving equipment. Ways to donate include mailing a check to PO Box 2128, Va Beach, VA 23450 (payable to PVRS) or via online at www.HelpPlaza.org

### 2040 Comprehensive Plan

The 2040 Comprehensive Plan update is underway, and resident input will be crucial to planning for the city's growth over the next several years. The Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan) is a formal document produced through the City's Comprehensive Planning process and projects Virginia Beach 20 to 25 years into the future. The Comp Plan guides development investment across the city, as well as all Capital Improvements Program (CIP) projects and new land development projects being evaluated for consistency with the Comp Plan.

The Planning Department is hosting the following series of workshops:

**Monday, Nov. 6, at 6 p.m.,** Kellam High School Cafeteria – 2665 West Neck Road

**Wednesday, Nov. 8, at 6 p.m.**, Bayside Recreation Center – 4500 First Court Road

**Thursday, Nov. 9, at 6 p.m.,** Virginia Beach Convention Center, Suite 3 – 1000 19th St.

There will also be an on-demand version of the workshop posted in the near future for residents unable to attend in person, and six additional public engagement meetings will be held in the 2024 throughout the city. The more engagement from the community in this process, the better the plan will be. This link takes you to the City's Comprehensive Planning webpage for detailed information including past survey results, monthly updates and related topics.

https://planning.virginiabeach.gov/comp-plan

# October 2023 Meeting Highlights

-Treasurer Vickie Bright gave the Treasurer's report, noting there were nine new members in September, an ad placement and an additional donation.

-MPO Call of the 1st Precinct, VBPD, gave a crime and safety update, reminding members to call police if they see a crime in progress vs. engaging the individual(s). With holidays approaching, he asked everyone to be aware of their surroundings when shopping. Officer staffing is still a challenge both locally and nationally.

-Mayor Bobby Dyer came to our meeting. He said we are the safest city nationally (for our size) and thanked both the police and citizens. He noted flooding disproportionately affected homes in our area and that the City is working to help with that with various projects. While not perfect, the City has a good quality of life, despite COVID setbacks. He said the budget was a challenge and while the real estate tax was not lowered, it absorbed four percent of the stormwater referendum into the 99-cent real estate tax rate. The City needs new revenue which Amazon and the trans-Atlantic cables will help with both revenue and new jobs. Affordable housing is needed in the City.

-Windsor Wood Library Manager Erica Cooper spoke about her facility which saw 2500 visitors over the year. Operating hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 am – 7 pm; Friday and Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm. A library card allows you to check out to 30 items for up to three weeks. In addition to special needs books, the library offers author talks, career development, table top games and wireless printing via their web address (you go to the branch to pick up) for 20 cents per page black and white print, 50 cents for color copies, and an 11x17" page printing for 40 cents. Faxing is free at all libraries except the joint use branch, and digital conversion of 8mm to a thumb drive is offered. The library also provides free notary service.

-Flood Chair Bob Jennings told everyone the Atlantic low pressure cell has an 80 percent chance of developing into a tropical storm, but it's still too early to determine a path. Remember to "hide from the wind and run from the water." Solar generators are an option in power outages as the required City inspection of natural gas generators could take a few weeks to occur.

-Councilman Berlucchi briefly spoke on several topics: we need to support Public Safety employees with both pay and equipment, we need to figure out how to pay for flood remediation, the Virginia Aquarium is requesting \$3-4M for renovations, while there are some problems with our school system it is still a great system,

-Zach (Del. Greenhalgh's aide) said to constituents with concerns can email her at:

DelKGreenhalgh@house.virginia.gov

#### Advertise with the PAPCL!

Our advertising rates have not changed in more than 20 years. Your ad will appear online in our newsletter and website, and it is also distributed to City officials. Rates are per newsletter issue:

1/8th printed page - \$10

1/4th printed page - \$20

½ printed page - \$40

Full printed page - \$80



**PET PICTURES WITH SANTA** (Pet parents are welcome too!) \$10 for a 4 x 6" print

All proceeds benefit Pug Rescue

Saturdays from 11 am - 3 pm Nov. 25, Dec. 2, 9 & 16 St. Francis Episcopal Church, 509 S. Rosemont Rd., Virginia Beach

www.pugrescuenc.org https://www.facebook.com/pugrescuenc

Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to support the church's food pantry.

Dues remain only \$12 per year per family/household. Your dues support the civic league in the publication of the newsletter, social media, participation in community events, local church food pantries, Samaritan House, holiday meals for families in our area, and more. Thank you for your continued support and for renewing your membership.

Princess Anne Plaza Civic League, Inc. Renewal and New Member Sign-Up Form  Please include League dues payment of \$12 with this form	
Print LAST Name	Print FIRST Name
Street Address in 23452 ZIP Code	
Home Telephone #	Cell Phone #
Email Address – <b>PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY</b>	Note: your email will be used only for League business
Can you help the League by serving on the Executive Board or a Committee? '	
YES (please note your interests)	NO
Mail form and dues to:  Phyllis Elms, PAPCL Membership Committee 266 Raintree Rd Virginia Beach, VA 23452	

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