February 2024

The January meeting was canceled due to severe weather. The planned speakers, Councilmembers Michael Berlucchi and Jennifer Rouse, will be at our February 13 meeting.

City Services Contact Info



Sending a request for service is quick and easy following this link:

https://vb311.virginiabeach.gov/assist/servicetypes

Service requests include, but are not limited to the following topics:

City Property - issues or concerns on City property

Drainage - stormwater drainage issues and flooding

Flood Mitigation/Home Repair - issues with reoccurring residential or commercial structure flooding

Graffiti – on City or private property

Roadways – potholes, traffic signs problems

Sidewalk Damage/Repair

Street Lights - street light outages or obstructions

Trash & Recycling - Services related to trash pickup, recycling, bulky item pick-up and yard debris

PRINCESS ANNE PLAZA CIVIC LEAGUE

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

2024 Dates

FEBRUARY 13

MARCH 12 APRIL 9 MAY 14

Place

JUNE 11

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

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PRINCESSANN EPLAZA/

www.PAPlazaCivicLeague@gmail.com

PA Plaza Civic League Website

Plaza Trail Neighborhood Sign Update

The League working with Councilman Berlucchi on replacement for the Princess Anne Plaza neighborhood sign that was destroyed in a vehicle crash. City and State approval is needed, submitting appropriate applications, and making a few other decisions. Updates will be shared we progress

In Memoriam, Wayne Mead Past 1st Vice President



The League is saddened to report that past PAPCL 1st Vice-President Wayne

Meade passed away last month. He recently resigned his position due to health issues. He volunteered with our League's Clean the Bay Day team - and recruited members of his American Legion chapter - to clean the grounds of the Bow Creek Rec Center. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Waneta, and his family. Thank you, Wayne, for your service to our country and community.

Public Utilities Pipeline News

Do you read the news articles in the *Pipeline* newsletter that comes with your utility bill? In the December 2023 issue, Public Utilities says to call them first if you suspect a sewer backup. They will determine if a problem is in the city's line, and if so, they will fix at no cost to you. If you call a plumber and the problem *is* in the city's lines, you will not be reimbursed for the plumber's fees. Call 757-385-1400, Monday – Friday, 8 am - 5 pm. Call 757-385-3111 on nights, weekends and holidays.

Presidential Primary Election Early Voting Began in January



Early voting for the Democratic and Republican presidential primaries began Jan. 19. Inperson early

voting is available at the Voter Registration and Elections Office, 2449 Princess Anne Road (Bldg. 14, Municipal Center)

Additional early in-person voting is available between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 24, through Saturday, March 2, except Sunday, at the following locations:

- -Bayside Recreation Center
- -Great Neck Recreation Center
- -Seatack Recreation Center
- -Kempsville Library
- -Central Library

Any Virginia Beach voter can vote in the primaries, but you can only vote in one party's primary. Any Virginia Beach citizen who will be 18 on or before the Nov. 5 general and special election will be eligible to vote in this election.

For information on sample ballots, early voting, and Election Day polling locations, please visit voter.virginiabeach.gov.



VBCCO News

In keeping with its mission to educate, inform, and empower civic leaders, the VBCCO hosted a Q&A session with City Manager Patrick Duhaney, Planning Director Kathy Warren, and senior officials in their departments. About 65 members from civic leagues throughout the city attended.

VBCCO President Rick Boyles moderated the forum and asked questions submitted by attendees prior to the event, which included:

-Discuss the budget and Davenport Report PD-There's a projected budget shortfall about by 2030 but we're still AAA bond rated. We saw a 30-40% increase in CIPs last year and nine CIPs were moved from the 6-year CIP plan to stay on budget. (CIP = Capital Improvement Prog.)

-Does staff adhere to the Comprehensive Plan? KW-Reports go through Planning, then to the City Council. She also explained how the process works, including the multiple comments reviews and before approval/disapproval. When referring to conditional rezoning, she said the public is notified in ads (such as in The Virginian-Pilot), the orange signs posted at properties, and notification of nearby property owners. A monthly land use report received by Council is also posted on the City's website.

-What about the green line? KW-We maintain the green line and I don't foresee changes, agriculture is the City's third largest industry. The area around TCC is the transitional area.

-How does the public get involved in the budget process? **PD**-Two public hearings are required by the State, and there are tools on the City's web page to review budget and resource allocations. The Council's budget retreat will be live-streamed on Feb. 13-14. -Is it best to make cuts across the board or as reviewed? **PD**-Most department costs are personnel (there are approximately 7,000 employees.

-Redeveloping aging or large shopping centers. **PD-**We're out of developable land unless the green line is moved. We're looking at multi-family projects in areas such as the Pembroke SGA and west of Town Center.

Boyles said the mayoral candidate forum originally planned for May has been postponed. With a filing deadline in June, it is possible all potential candidates would not have had the opportunity to attend. The VBCCO will advise civic leagues of a new date as soon as feasible.

For more information on the VBCCO, check out their link at https://www.vbcco.org/

Prescription Drug Disposal

For years, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has worked with state and local law enforcement partners to host National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, a program providing a convenient and responsible means to dispose of prescription drugs. While the next National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is April 27. every day can be a take back day.

Registered pharmacies as authorized collectors of unused prescription drugs every day of the year, annual Take Back Day events, and local police precincts offering drug disposal boxes, the public has multiple ways to safely dispose of medications that are no longer needed.

Visit the <u>Prescription Drug Disposal</u> <u>Site Locator</u> to find a registered collection spot near you.

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:



Pride Go-Go Ultra X Model S39 Scooter Barely used & only inside, only \$775

Serious inquiries can text Waneta at 757-450-5626

Weight capacity: 300#, charge battery on OR off the scooter, flip-back armrests, aluminum wheels & no-mark tires, 4 mph max speed, 6 mile drive range, 36" turn radius. Width 19.25", Length 40", 76# total weight. Easily disassembles into 4 easy-to-stow pieces,

This is the actual scooter for sale, red in color.



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 – PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY	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 Member 266 Raintree Rd Virginia Beach, VA 23452	ership Committee

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