

RUMSEY ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

RIRA October 17, 2019

The RIRA October meeting was held at Baldwin's seafood Restaurant on Thursday, October 17, 2019.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by the current president, Walt.

Treasurer's report - ending balance \$7,572.02. The net profit from the crab feast was \$2,013.97.

The yard sale for the neighborhood will be held this Saturday, October 19th. If you would like to participate you can just set up your items in front of your house. We do not have a map this time to direct potential customers.

The Copley Parish Historic Fall Festival is also this Saturday from 11am-4pm. at the church - 700 Anchor Drive. Free admission. You are invited to wear period costumes. Come join the fun!

The fall yard clean-up is on Saturday, December 7. It is for **members only**. All yard waste must be in **PAPER BAGS**, and twine used to bundle sticks must be biodegradable. Plastic bags cannot be used because the machines that process the leaves (which become mulch) cannot handle plastic, and it is bad for our environment. Sharon Pry, our association treasurer, gives the driver of the truck a list of addresses of all members. This is a very good benefit for our members. Please join, help the cause, and enjoy this benefit.

Next month's meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, November 20th. We are going to try this time to rotate between Wednesday and Thursday, so that it fits into everyone's schedule. It will be at Baldwin's again next month.

The Christmas Party will also be held at Baldwin's and will be on Thursday, December 12 starting at 6pm. This event is also for members only. It is always a good time. Join & join us.

Ralph talked about the new streetlights being put up in our neighborhood. So far, Towne Center Drive and parts of Shore Drive have been completed. These new LED lights save energy, and thus money. As more money is saved by the county with the new lights, more money becomes available to keep replacing the old ones.

Lyn Godfrey talked to the group about a Community Garden that is being started behind the Joppatowne Christian Church. So far, there have been 4 plots of 16' x 16' designated for the project. There will be both flowers and vegetables in the garden. Grants have been written to help fund the project. There are 2 master gardeners working with a group of volunteers. Groundbreaking is on October 26. Bring your garden tools! Flowers and veggies will be donated to shut-ins and homeless in the community. Joyce LaPadula made a motion that the rest of the money to start the project (\$547) be donated by RIRA. The motion was seconded and passed.

Walt talked about how the association has not filed IRS reports for the past 7 years, and in order to maintain our status as a community association, this must be done. He is working with a lawyer and an accountant to resolve this. We will have to pay both to help fix this.

We talked about the bridge and a need to finish this project. A contractor needs to be found to sand blast the rusted areas, so they can be repainted.

The 50/50 raffle was held. The winner got \$55.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

Submitted by **Judy Gonzalez** Secretary
Rumsey Island Residents Association

Treasurer's Report: Sept 19, 2019 - Oct 17, 2019

Beginning Balance	\$9,432.23
Dues Collected	\$60.00
50/50 - Sept	\$125.00
Crab feast tickets	\$278.11
Crab feast raffles	\$1,350.00
Total Credits	\$1,813.11
Food for Sept meeting	\$65.61
Crab feast expenses	\$3,607.71
Total Debits	\$3,673.32
Ending Balance	\$7,572.02