



# The Cape Anne Tide

**Next General Meeting**  
*Saturday, July 19, 9 a.m.*  
*The Pavilion*

Key Reason to Meet – Discuss Community Projects

## **July 2025 CACA President's Message**

Hey Cape Anne, The heat is here! So, make sure to take breaks and hydrate if you're doing any work outside. I would like to welcome Trevor Muenzer for volunteering to join the board of directors, he will be a valued member to our board and to the community. I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

*Ryan Hostetter, President*

**Cape Anne Summer General Meeting**  
**July 19, 2025, 9 a.m.**  
**The Pavilion**  
**Proposed Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome new members & residents
3. Review minutes of 4/26/2025  
General Meeting, as published in  
The Cape Anne Tide
4. Review Treasurer's Report, as  
published in The Cape Anne Tide
5. Board Report
6. Harbormaster Report
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Facilities & Maintenance
  - b. Special Events
  - c. Community Outreach
  - d. Plants Committee
  - e. Web Site and Facebook
8. Old Business
  - a. Long-term projects
  - b. South County Coastal  
Resiliency Project (Dredging)
9. New Business
  - a. Community suggestions
10. Adjournment

**CAPE ANNE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION**  
**GENERAL MEETING**  
**April 26, 2025, Minutes**

President Ryan Hostetter called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Attendance was noted on a sign-in sheet circulated during the meeting.

Meeting Minutes- Minutes for the December meeting, as published in the Tide, were accepted by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report – The FY 2025 Second Quarter report, as published in the Tide, was accepted by acclamation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Treasurer's Report – Bank balances as of April 25, 2025, are checking, \$45,150.00; savings, \$363.39; CD, \$5,093.06; and marina, \$15,203.96. Accounts total \$65,810.41. The county approved the budget and the audit. The new pavilion roof has been paid for. The mowing contract was renewed with Samuel Alfaro, at \$400 per cut. A permit request was submitted for replacement of the Downings' pier on Broadwater Parkway. CACA had to approve, as owner of the property adjoining the pier. The county has approved the permit. KD Gross will do the work.
- Maintenance – The pavilion roof has been replaced. The mowing contract was renewed, and cuts have begun. There was a strong local presence at a public meeting about the proposed development on Franklin Manor Road across from Battee. We expect additional meetings with several studies to be completed before the county makes a decision on approval.
- Harbor Master – Osprey tried to build a nest on the pier but gave up, and ducks took it over. Mother nature took over the ducks' nest. Two slips are rented, and four other people are interested in rentals. The slip fee is \$300. We will have a temporary slip available for visitors. Dredging is still on schedule for Broadwater, which will help with creek traffic. The ramp needs to be used to help keep sludge off the ramp. The lock/keys for the ramp have not been changed. Residents may crab from the pier, just please don't leave lines unattended and keep the pier clean for all.
- Special Events – Hanne Denney will chair the Crab Feast planning committee and will call a committee meeting in June.
- Community Outreach – Robbie Curry is developing the Cape Anne Connectors program and is looking for volunteers for connectors in the Battee, West Carvel, and Wildwood neighborhoods. The connectors will welcome new residents, provide information on Cape Anne and local services, and get residents' contact information.
- Plants Committee – We will have a community workday following the meeting this morning, to spread wood chips at the circle and on Bay View and North Shore parkways. Volunteers are welcome, and we'll have a pizza party at the pavilion after work. The plantings done last year at Cherry Blossom and Broadwater are doing well.

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

- Swim Pier – The pier needs more work than rebuilding the entrance. The stringers under the walkway need work and the pilings need to be capped to prevent rotting. We have one estimate of approximately \$75,000, will get additional estimates. We had a loan for the marina pier, but banks are not making loans to community associations now.
- North Shore Bulkhead – A rough estimate for the North Shore bulkhead work was \$375,000. The county owns the North Shore Parkway which is often flooded by high tides and storms. We will research whether the county will be responsible for repairs to the bulkhead or possibly share the cost of repair. Mike will ask the contractor that did work in Franklin Manor to look at the North Shore bulkhead.
- South County Resiliency Project – Funding for the project is uncertain now, with state and federal budget issues. The first phase, which addresses the area between Cape Anne and Franklin Manor and dredges Broadwater Creek, is funded but future phases are not.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

- Tree Trimming – We will get estimates for a daily rate for tree trimming on community property.
- Pocket Beach – We need to add some sand at the play area at the beach. The sand won't go all the way to the water, as the tides will just wash it away.
- Little Free Library – The Little Free Library will be rebuilt with a larger box to accommodate more books, including children's books. The library will still be at Battee Circle.

## ***ELECTIONS***

The following have volunteered to serve on the CACA Board, for the term ending April 2027: Liz Sequeira, Vice President; Mark Smith, Treasurer; Darcy Scott, Director; Brad Mendez, Director. One director position is vacant. The proposed candidates were approved by acclamation. Please let Ryan know if you are interested in serving on the Board in the director vacancy.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyla Baumann, Secretary  
Cape Anne Citizens Association

**Cape Anne Citizens Association, Inc.**  
**Financial Report FY 2025 (Qtr 3) as of March 31, 2025**  
**(Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025)**

<b>County Tax Funds (Truist)</b>			
<b>Balance Forward</b>	<b>12/31/2024</b>	<b>Checking</b>	<b>\$ 45,200.66</b>
		<b>Savings</b>	<b>363.39</b>
		<b>CD</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,093.06</u></b>
			<b>\$ 50,657.11</b>
<b>Income (+)</b>	<b>County Tax Funds</b>		<b>\$ 10,632.00</b>
	<b>Other</b>		<b>\$ 0</b>
	<b>Interest</b>		<b><u>\$ 0</u></b>
			<b>\$ 10,632.00</b>
<b>Expenses (-)</b>	<b>Administrative</b>		<b>\$ 575.70</b>
	<b>Maintenance</b>		<b>\$ 10,089.46</b>
	<b>Recreation</b>		<b><u>\$ 0</u></b>
			<b>\$ 10,665.16</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>3/31/2025</b>	<b>Checking</b>	<b>\$ 45,167.50</b>
		<b>Savings</b>	<b>\$ 369.39</b>
		<b>CD</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,093.06</u></b>
			<b>\$ 50,623.95</b>

<b>CACA Boat Owners Assoc. (Truist)</b>		
<b>Balance Forward</b>	<b>12/31/2024</b>	<b>\$ 15,203.96</b>
<b>Income (+)</b>		<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Expenses (-)</b>		<b><u>\$ 0</u></b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>3/31/2025</b>	<b>\$ 15,203.96</b>

*Prepared by Mark Smith, Treasurer*

## **Treasurer's Report**

The CACA bank balances as of 6/20/2025 are:

Checking	\$42,337.55
Savings	\$ 363.39
CD	<u>\$ 5,176.29</u>
Total County Tax Funds	\$47,877.23
CACA Boat Association	<u>\$15,803.96</u>
Total Assets	\$63,681.19

We are in good financial shape. Our major expenses are for mowing, with two cuts per month at \$400 per cut, and the crab feast in the fall. We have added a load of sand at the pocket beach on Great Oak Parkway and will be getting more stone for the boat ramp and the marina. We need at least a couple of days' work with a tree crew to work on the parkways. The existing loan to the shore erosion control district is for the riprap work done years ago. We'll begin work on the next budget in the fall and it will be presented for approval in December. The county approved the audit, and we won't need another audit for four years.

## **Harbor Master**

Another slip has been rented, and three slips are available. We have purchased Bird Be Gone for the pier but right now the gulls are leaving the pier alone, so we won't install it until needed. Creek dredging is still on schedule for winter 2027.

## **Committee Reports**

### *Facilities and Maintenance*

Mowing is under way on community property. We will be looking at the trees on community property soon. There are a few dead or dying trees that need attention. Please call the county if you notice branches hanging lower than 13 feet over a county road. The county is responsible for trimming trees over county roads. The three dead trees at the entrance to Cape Anne by the pumping station are on county property and are the county's responsibility. BGE will remove the osprey nest on the utility pole by the circle if the nest is abandoned. Nests on utility poles are dangerous for the birds and can cause power outages.

### *Special Events*

Hanne Denney volunteered to coordinate the crab feast this year, scheduled for September 27. Please let Hanne know if you would like to join the planning committee.

### *Plants Committee*

We planted grasses, provided by the county, along the shorelines of Cherry Blossom and Broadwater parkways. We are collecting wood chips to continue mulching the trees on our parkways and plan to

plant additional trees this fall. Please let us know if you have tree trimming done and want to share the wood chips. What can you do on your property to benefit the local environment? Remove invasive species such as english ivy, especially where it is growing on trees. An online search for Maryland native plants will give you many sources for information on native plants, including Maryland DNR and UMD Extension Service.

### *Website and Facebook*

The website is available at [capeanne.org](http://capeanne.org). The Tide and CACA bylaws are posted here. The Facebook page is Cape Anne Community. Items of community interest may be posted here.

### *Community Outreach/Cape Anne Connect*

Our team of Connectors is almost complete and will be reaching out to neighbors in the next couple of months to welcome new residents and confirm contact information for everyone. Thank you to the Connectors representing your neighborhoods: North Shore, Roni LeFebvre; Great Oak, Hanne Denney; Broadwater, Linda Buchanan; Harbor Way, Joyce Hermann; Shore Drive, Lois Yates; Battee, Darcy Scott; Wildwood, Monty Zema. We still need Connectors for Bay View and West Carvel. Please let Robbie Curry know if you would like to join the team.

## **Old Business**

### *Long Term Projects*

We continue to research the work needed on the swimming pier and how to fund this and will keep the community updated. The possible short-term walkway to the dock at the entrance was determined not to be feasible and more planning will be needed to provide alternatives for that area. Please let Ryan know if you would like to participate on planning teams for either project.

## **New Business**

### *Community Suggestions*

<b><u>CACA Officers and Directors</u></b>		<b><u>Until</u></b>	<b><u>Phone Number</u></b>
President	Ryan Hostetter	4/26	443-852-8385
Vice President	Liz Sequeira	4/27	301-538-7577
Treasurer	Mark Smith	4/27	914-672-7731
Secretary	Lyla Baumann	4/26	667-231-5416
Director	Darcy Scott	4/27	202-669-7340
Director	Joan Liddy	4/26	802-673-0441
Director	Brad Mendez	4/27	708-990-4908
Director	Trevor Muenzer	4/27	301-518-6689
Harbor Master	Mike Waldow	4/26	443-744-9314

### **Committees**

Facilities & Maintenance	Darcy Scott	202-669-7340
Special Events	Vacant	
Community Outreach	Robbie Curry	202-320-6853
Web Site	Ryan Hostetter	443-852-8385
Harbor Master	Mike Waldow	443-744-9314
Plants Committee	Lyla Baumann	667-231-5416

## **WHAT'S AHEAD FOR CAPE ANNE**

### **Summer General Meeting**

Saturday, July 19, 2025, 9 am  
Meeting, The Pavilion

### **Fall General Meeting**

Saturday, September 27, 2025, 9 am  
Meeting, The Pavilion

### **Winter General Meeting - Budget**

Saturday, December 6, 2025, 10 am  
Meeting, TBD

### **Spring General Meeting - Elections**

Saturday, April 18, 2026, 9 am  
Meeting, TBD

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