

The Cape Anne Tide

Next General Meeting

Saturday, December 6, 9 am Cedar Grove Methodist Church Deale, MD

Key Reason to Meet – Approve FY 2027 Budget

November 2025 CACA President's Message

Hey Cape Anne.

I hope you are all enjoying the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. The main objective of our next meeting is to review and approve the FY27 budget. We are facing important decisions on expensive issues and really need your input. Hope to see you all on December 6, at Cedar Grove Methodist Church.

Ryan Hostetter, President

Cape Anne Winter 2025 General Meeting December 6, 2025, 9 a.m. Cedar Grove Methodist Church, Deale, MD Proposed Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Welcome new members & residents
- 3. Review minutes of 9/27/2025 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. Traffic calming on Battee
- 9. New Business
 - a. FY2027 Budget approval
 - b. Community suggestions
- 10. Adjournment

CAPE ANNE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING September 27, 2025, Minutes

President Ryan Hostetter called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Attendance was noted on a sign-in sheet circulated during the meeting.

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

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – The FY 2025 Fourth Quarter report, as published in the Tide, was accepted by acclamation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Bank balances as of September 26, 2025, are checking, \$38,454.86; savings, \$363.39; CD, \$5,176.29; and marina, \$15,964.92. Accounts total \$59,959.46. The annual report to the county is finished and will be submitted by the deadline of September 30. We are in good financial shape, as we need to be preparing for several major projects to come. The major outstanding expenses this year are lawn maintenance, tree trimming, and the crab feast.
- <u>Maintenance</u> The pine tree by the pavilion has been trimmed and we are getting quotes for additional tree work in the parkways. Grass cutting has gone well this season. The contractor will mow later after leaves fall. We're setting up a traffic calming committee, the first step in the process for county approval.
- <u>Harbor Master</u> The creek needs to be dredged to easily get boats in and out. Four slips are available. The slip rental is still \$300 per year, with no increase in the last 20 years. The ramp is being used, and keys are available for \$25. Birds are using the pier now. We're still adding caps to the pilings. We plan to clean the pier one more time and paint by year end. Volunteer painters are welcome. We'll rent a pressure washer. Access to water at the pier is an issue. We can think about putting a kayak launch at the pier and adding a handle or rail on the floating dock to ease getting in and out of kayaks. Crabs are running and it is OK to crab from the pier if you don't leave the lines unattended. This is a DNR regulation for community piers. And please clean up your lines after crabbing.
- Special Events The crab feast is on this afternoon. Thanks to Hanne and the committee for their

- work planning the event. Please stay after this meeting to set up tables and chairs.
- <u>Community Outreach</u> The connectors have made their initial surveys, and Lyla will update the email and USPS distribution lists. The connectors will welcome new residents, provide information on Cape Anne and local services, and get new residents' contact information.
- <u>Plants Committee</u> We will have a community workday later this fall, depending on weather and volunteer availability. The main goal will be to spread wood chip mulch around the trees in the parkway and plant additional trees in the parkways.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Long-Term Projects</u> – The swim pier and North Shore bulkhead need extensive work. We need a
committee to research these issues and funding needed to address them. Phase 1 of the South County
Resiliency Project is still on track.

NEW BUSINESS

- <u>Pavilion Lights</u> The lights need to be replaced. Ryan can do this with volunteer assistance welcome.
- <u>Future Budgets</u> The county assessment now is \$275 per year. We can budget and accumulate funds for future projects and are doing that. Banks aren't lending to community associations and grant money is drying up. Repairs to the swim pier will probably be at least \$100,000. An increased assessment will be needed to cover that cost. Repairs to the North Shore bulkhead will be more, but we need much more research to determine what can be done at North Shore and whether it is community or county responsibility.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyla Baumann, Secretary Cape Anne Citizens Association

Cape Anne Citizens Association, Inc.

Financial Report FY 2026 (Qtr 1) as of September 30, 2025 (Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026)

County Tax Funds (Truist) Balance Forward		
Dalanso i o mara	6/30/2025	Checking \$42,337.55 Savings \$ 363.39 CD \$ 5,176.29
		\$47,877.23
Income (+)	County Tax Funds Other Interest (Savings)	\$ 0 \$ 1,200.00 <u>\$ 0</u> \$ 1,200.00
Expenses (-)	Administrative Maintenance Recreation	\$ 1,792.64 \$ 3,841.22 <u>\$ 2,909.64</u> \$ 8,543.50
Ending Balance	9/30/2025	Checking \$ 34,994.05 Savings \$ 369.39 CD \$ 5,176.29 \$ 40,533.73

CACA Boat Owners Assoc. (Truist)				
Balance Forward	6/30/2025	\$ 15,314.92		
Income (+)		\$ 650.00		
Expenses (-)		<u>\$</u> 0		
Ending Balance	9/30/2025	\$ 15,964.92		

Prepared by Mark Smith, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

We have received documents from the county for the FY 2027 budget submission. Last year's fiscal year report was submitted to the county on schedule. We haven't had a response from the county yet, so we anticipate no issues. Franklin Manor's ex-president will put me in touch with their treasurer to discuss how Franklin Manor has funded their pier project. Expenses expected through year end include one or two more mowing cuts and tree work in the parkways.

Harbor Master

We plan to stain the marina pier, probably in the spring. We need more stone at the marina and the boat ramp. There is a Maryland Waterway Fund to assist with waterfront projects. This may or may not be an option to help fund repairs to the swimming pier or possibly the bulkhead on North Shore. We will do more research to determine if this might be a source of assistance.

Committee Reports

Facilities and Maintenance

We have several proposals for tree trimming in the parkways and hope to schedule that work in the next few weeks. The pavilion will be power washed, and the poles painted this spring. We also will replace the lights in the pavilions (volunteer assistance will be welcome) and may replace a few more picnic tables. There will be another cut to mulch the leaves in the parkways, after most leaves are down.

Special Events

The crab feast in September was a great success. A coordinator will be needed for next year's event. We have records from the past few crab feasts to assist with planning. And it is not too early to start planning for Cape Anne's 100-year anniversary in 2028. Please think about joining a committee to have a great Cape Anne birthday party.

Plants Committee

Thanks to those who joined the mulch party to spread the wood chips collected in Bay View and North Shore parkways. If you plan to have any trees trimmed on your property and can't use wood chips please consider having the contractor deliver them to one of our parkways, near existing trees. The dry weather hasn't been conducive to planting additional trees in the parkways, but we still plan to add a few in Bay View this fall.

Website and Facebook

The website is available at 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

Thanks to Robbie Curry and the Cape Anne Connectors for updating residents' contact information. This will make it easier to distribute regular notices such as the Tide and to communicate better in emergency situations.

Old Business

Long Term Projects

Thank you to John Hanna and Dennis Liddy for making repairs to the swim pier after the recent high tides. The pier still needs significant work to maintain it as an amenity for the community. We are talking with contractors to get estimates for the repairs and to determine if the work can be done incrementally so options on how to address the issue and the impact on our assessment can be presented to the community.

Traffic Calming on Battee

Darcy Scott has formed a committee to work with the county on steps needed to install traffic calming areas on Battee.

New Business

FY 2027 Budget

We need to approve the FY 2027 budget for submission to the county.

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Director	Brad Mendez	4/27	708-990-4908
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Community Outreach	Robbie Curry		202-320-6853
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WHAT'S AHEAD FOR CAPE ANNE

Spring General Meeting - Elections Summer General Meeting

Saturday, April 18, 2026, 9 am Meeting, The Pavilion

Winter General Meeting

Saturday, July 18, 2026, 9 am

Meeting, The Pavilion

Saturday, September 26, 2026, 9 am Meeting, The Pavilion

Fall General Meeting

Saturday, December 5, 2026, 9 am Meeting, Location TBD

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