

## **Brigadoon Civic League**

### **Quarter Three Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** July 12, 2025

**Location:** Pinup Coffee

**Attendance:** 24 members

**Meeting Called to Order:** 9:00 AM

**Adjourned:** 10:40 AM

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## **1. Welcome and Introductions**

- President **Danielle** opened the meeting and apologized for the heat.
- The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.
- Board Members introduced:
  - Danielle (President)
  - Teresa (Vice President & Communications Chair)
  - Jeremy (Treasurer)
  - Nick (Secretary)
- Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

## **2. Treasurer's Report & Membership Update**

- **Membership:** 81 current members; \$2,095 raised in dues (41% of goal).
- **Donations:** \$1,189 received.
- **Savings:** \$14,604, including mural project funds.
- Emphasis placed on reaching the 200-member goal.
- Recap of successful spring yard sale weekend with Charlestown; plans for a fall repeat.

## **3. Old Business & Community Initiatives**

- **Parade:** Patriotic Parade success acknowledged; thanks extended to participants.

- **Brigadoon Gives Back:** Highlighted community support for a neighbor with mobility needs.
- **Board Update:** Ryan Gilliam was nominated and approved as **Sergeant-at-Arms**.
- **Mural Project:** \$10,000 grant secured for Brigadoon Pines Park mural; community favored a color-block design.

#### 4. Upcoming Events

- **National Night Out:** Planned collaboration with Charlestown; call for volunteers and local business donations.
- **Waterway Cleanup:** Planning a fall event with Lynnhaven River Now and Clean Water Virginia; mosquito control efforts underway.

#### 5. Fall Picnic & Welcome Packets

- **Fall Picnic Date:** Proposed for October 18 with bounce house, potluck, and mural reveal.
- **Welcome Packets:** Initiative to restart newcomer packets. Diana Price will provide names of new residents; Patricia Winner appointed to coordinate, with volunteers welcomed.

#### 6. Community Engagement

- **Ryan Gilliam (Guest):**
  - Introduced himself as First Vice President of the Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations.
  - Encouraged Brigadoon participation; annual council dues are \$50.
  - Distributed contact cards for those interested in outreach.

#### 7. School Board Update

- **Matt Cummings (School Board):**
  - Staff received 4.5% raises and \$650 bonuses.
  - Middle schools adjusted schedules to support electives.
  - Cell phones now banned during high school classes.

- Academic highlights:
  - 4,980 graduates
  - 61% with GPA 3.0+, 17% with GPA 4.0+
  - 76% college-bound, over \$115 million in scholarships
  - Tallwood HS graduates earned record college credits

## **8. Neighborhood Concerns**

- **Grass Maintenance:**
  - Concern raised by Kimberly Scott regarding overgrowth along city sidewalks.
  - Members encouraged to report issues via VBgov.com.

## **9. October Meeting Planning**

- Nick proposed inviting all local candidates for the November election to the next meeting.
- Group remains nonpartisan; proposal supported by attendees.

## **10. Closing Remarks**

- Teresa reminded residents to stay connected via email and Facebook.
- Civic League membership and newsletter signups encouraged.
- Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and approved.