ECA GENERAL MEETING March 19, 2015 | 7:30pm Eastport Elementary School

The meeting opened vibrantly with a performance by the Annapolis Drum & Bugle Corps. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Vice President Karen Jennings. Several new members in attendance introduced themselves.

Minutes of January 15, 2015, General Meeting were unanimously approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Rita Ormasa presented the current financial report and explained recent expenditures like the \$1,000 contribution to the Annapolis Drum & Bugle Corps. She reported that year to date dues are ahead of 2014.

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** Vic Pascoe reported that there are 402 members including 80 new members. He thanked ECA member Bob Salta for creating, printing and mailing a direct membership solicitation which had a great rate of success.
- **Architectural & Zoning:** Eric Pilka reported that A&Z is watching three real estate projects: the Hopkins Warehouse, Eastport Shopping Center and South Annapolis Yacht Centre. The committee will report when the applications are filed and reviewed.
- **Communications:** The committee chair remains open. The webmaster position as been filled by Kim Richer who has been actively updating ECA's website with new information.
- **Eco-Action:** Karen Jennings reported working with St. Luke's Church to support the stream restoration project on their property. Diane Butler, chair of Greenscape, announced April 25th is the date and invited members to volunteer to assist with gardening and clean-up in eight designated places in Eastport.
- **Home and Garden Tour:** Marcia reported that there are currently seven properties on the June 14th tour and are still looking for 3 more homes/gardens. This year's tour will be on Creek Drive, Lockwood Court and Boucher Avenue. This will be the 10th year of the tour that generates funds used by ECA to support to local charities and organizations.
- **Welcome Bags:** Judy Moore distributes welcome bags invited members to provide the address and name of new community residents. Judy personally delivers a Welcome bag and official welcome.
- **Community Outreach:** Vic introduced Pat Montague of the Annapolis Drum & Bugle Corps who thanked ECA for its contribution used to purchase new uniform jackets for the band members.

FEATURED PRESENTATION: Mike Miron, long time resident of Eastport, provided a review of key points of history in Eastport from 1665-1998. Handouts were given with chronological events.

ALDERMAN UPDATE: Ross Arnett reported on current development projects in Eastport: Eastport Shopping Center, Hopkins Warehouse, South Annapolis Yacht Centre and Eastport Elementary School. The audience asked questions concerning traffic and over-development. Ross also discussed the City's flooding and sea level issues; studies are ongoing to determine ways to mitigate the flooding.

Upcoming Events:

Greenscape – Saturday, April 25 at 9:00 am ECA General Meeting – Thursday, May 14 at 7:30 pm at the Annapolis Maritime Museum Eastport Home & Garden Tour – Sunday, June 14 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm