

**IBSSA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**March 3, 2022**  
**In Person @ Light of the World International Church**  
**Zoom Virtual Meeting #857 9705 2150**

**Directors present:**

Joanne Gonet, President; Henry Bausback, Vice President; Susan Rauth, Recorder; Allison Albee; Kitty Cannon; Don Farr; David Morriss; Kate Bloomquist; Roger Barkin; and present on Zoom: Shelley Watson; Jessica Jacobson; and Jessica McVay.

**Directors absent:**

John Olenski, Treasurer.

**Guests:**

The meeting was attended by several IBSSA members.

With a quorum of 9 Directors established, President Joanne Gonet convened the meeting at 7:07 pm.

**Approval of the Minutes for the February 3, 2022, Board of Directors meeting:**

- No changes were proposed
- Motion was moved to approve by David Morriss
- 2nd by Henry Bausback
- Approved unanimously with no other changes

**Treasurer's Report for the month-ending February 28, 2022:**

Profit and Loss Statement and Balance were distributed by email prior to the meeting. John Olenski read the report:

- Total Assets and Liabilities reported were \$53,350.59 with a total of \$20,024.30 cash in the operating account.
- Income for the month was \$-1,253.74. YTD net income was \$201.69 through the same month end.
- Membership is 177, down 98 from the prior year (Note: Membership restarts each January).

**Other Treasurer Items:**

- SunTrust Banking Account successfully transferred to Truist Bank.
- Opened two cases with the Truist Fraud Prevention and Claims department because of IBSSA checking account number being used inappropriately on 2 occasions.
- IBSSA Grant – January Newsletter expenses sent to Nancy Kelly for reimbursement.

**Treasurer's Report was:**

- Moved by David Morriss
- All were in favor

## Committee Reports

**Neighborhood Watch Report:** Joanne read Debbie Muller's report:

<b>ANNUAL CRIME STATISTICS (Approximate)</b>		
<b>2/28/2022 YTD</b>		
<b>IBSS NEIGHBORHOOD</b>		
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Aggravated Assault	0	0
Burglary	1	2
Vehicle Burglary	1	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0
Sex Crimes	0	0
Robbery	0	0
<b>CITYWIDE (Approximate)</b>		
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Aggravated Assault	0	0
Burglary	34	41
Vehicle Burglary	53	39
Motor Vehicle Theft	28	29
Sex Crimes	0	0
Robbery	6	13

### **Beautification/Greenspace Update:**

- Update on Greenway Grant Application (Kate Bloomquist):  
Applied for a Grant for the Greenway at 47<sup>th</sup>. The grant will cover engineering for removal of asphalt to create impervious ground coverage which will help to improve water quality in the Bay as the water will be absorbed into the ground.

### **Old Business**

- **Akoya Apartments on Remington and Route 41**
- **Two Sapphire Apartment Parcels**
  - **45<sup>th</sup> Street (Between Bahi Hut and Super 8)**
  - **42<sup>nd</sup> Street**

**Ceci Wooster** had a meeting at her home with concerned residents about the apartment projects planned for the North Trail. She requested that the Board represent the neighborhood and present the concerns of the neighborhoods to the City. Residents who also spoke at the meeting were: Tim Truman; Kevin Spence; John Kennan; Janice March.

The combined comments from residents are as follows:

- Traffic Safety
- Parking overflow – not enough parking and no mass transportation
- Storm water run-off into the bay

- Residents control over the appearance of the apartments
- Who decides when enough is enough?
- Shouldn't there be more stores?
- Can the driveway to the apartments be moved so it is not near residential homes?
- Do there need to be 2 driveways?
- Need safe design that will not create dangerous intersections.
- Where are the power lines going?
- Where will storm water be directed?
- Construction traffic control
- Has the board considered establishing a committee to represent the neighborhood to assist the Board?
- Can the board be a source of information to residents as issues come up so people don't miss out?
- Hight of buildings appropriate?

Joanne Gonet (BOD) stated that people need to go meetings at the City where zoning codes are changed. People typically don't show up. Davis Morriss (BOD) is going to accumulate comments and present to developers. The apartment complexes will look similar to those further south on Route 41 near Starbucks.

David Morriss (BOD)– Need people here to support more stores. The demographics don't support the stores. There is a need for apartments in the area. The old motels may fold and sell over time which may give way to shops and restaurants and shops.

Don Farr (BOD) – need to bargain with developers to get what the neighborhood wants. Utilize leverage where possible.

### **New Business,**

- **4511 and 4521 Bayshore Road – Historic properties - on the City Agenda for March 7.**  
Restoring the property and structures on one parcel. The properties had been separated. They are looking to induce someone to restore the homes. The City supports the restoration.
- **FDOT Road Safety Audit (US 41/N. Tamiami Trail from MLK Way to 47<sup>th</sup> St.)**  
Looking for how traffic flows on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am.
- **Rotary Club of Sarasota to add Little Free Libraries Around Town**  
Would like to put in a library in the neighborhood. Joanne needs approval from the board. Need to find a place to put it and volunteers to construct it. David Morriss moved. Henry Bausback second.
- **CCNA Survey Charter Review**  
As the IBSSA Delegate to CCNA David Morriss explained the Charter Review Board survey questions to the board.  
President Joanne Gonet polled the Board of Directors, for IBSSA position on the questions presented by CCNA.

Recommendations approved by the Charter Review Board:

1. Proposal: The mayor shall be elected in an at-large (i.e. city-wide) election to serve for a 4 year term.  
Vote - No
2. Proposal: The salaries of City Commissioners shall be \$40,000 per year with a 2% annual increase. The salary of the elected Mayor shall be \$45,000 with a 2% annual increase.

Vote – Yes

3. Proposal: In the event the voters approve a 4-year mayor elected at large, the other four commissioners will be elected in the districts in which they reside.

Vote – Yes

4. Proposal: A super-majority vote (vote of 4 to 1) shall be required to approve the sale, donation or conveyance of city-owned property.

Vote- Yes

Additional Recommendation of CCNA:

Proposal: Should the City Charter contain language that consolidates a description of the City Commission’s power to investigate one of its members for alleged violation of the Charter? This language should include a simple description of the process the City Commission may take when needed.

Vote- Yes

### **Member Comments:**

David Morriss discussed the ongoing topic of traffic calming. Looking to get beaver tails that shows the speed limit on the end of it.

Next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday April 7, 2022

Meeting was adjourned at 9:11.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan Rauth  
Recorder  
April 3, 2022