

Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association
Board of Directors Meeting
October 13, 2022
Zoom Virtual Meeting #846 7046 4388

Directors present:

Joanne Gonet, President; Henry Bausback, Vice President; Kevin Spence, Kate Bloomquist (Interim Recorder), Allison Albee and Shelly Watson, Jessica McVay, Jessica Jacobson, Jerrold Kamensky

Directors absent:

Treasurer; John Olenski, Don Farr

With a quorum of 9 Directors established, President Joanne Gonet convened the meeting at 7:09 pm.

Guests:

None

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.

Joanne Gonet read the Code of Conduct. It was noted that Susan Rauth and David Morriss have both resigned from the Board. Their accomplishments and service to the Board and neighborhood were duly noted and appreciated. Jerrold Kamensky was appointed by the President to fill David Morriss' vacant seat and has accepted that appointment until his term expires on December 23rd, 2023. The Board approved Jerry's appointment by a virtual vote a few days earlier. The 2 resignations have, unfortunately, left vacant a Recorder position and CCNA delegate position. Volunteers were sought, and Jessica Jacobson and Jessica McVay volunteered to temporarily share the seat. Henry surrendered his alternate CCNA seat since the meetings could now be covered by Jessica McVay and Jessica Jacobson. Kate Bloomquist volunteered to temporarily take the Recorder position until a full-time Recorder is appointed.

Approval of the Minutes for the September 1, 2022, Board of Directors meeting:

- Alison Albee moved to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2022, meeting
- Jessica McVay seconded the motion.
- All Board members agreed.

Treasurer's Report and Membership for the month and year-to-date ending August 31, 2022 (Read for John Olenski by Joanne Gonet):

John is not present. President Joanne Gonet read the report sent to the board.

Profit and Loss Statement and Balance were distributed by email prior to the meeting.

- YTD income was \$8,571.98 through the end of Sept.
- YTD expenses \$7,601.42
- Net income for Sept. \$970.56
- In August operating expenses were in the negative by \$465.79.

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- We had many IBSS members renew their memberships and new members joined at the picnic so once the membership totals have been updated the Board will get that report.

Committee Reports

Neighborhood Watch Report

- Debbie Mueller was not able to submit a report for this month. Her main contact at the SPD was out on maternity leave.

Beautification/Greenspace Update (Kate Bloomquist/Alison Albee)

- Ms. Bloomquist reported that the greenspaces fared without too much damage from the hurricane. The city (Candie) is requesting that neighbors hold off on doing general greenspace cleanups (beyond storm cleanup) until after storm-related brush and debris have been picked up by contracted services. Alison reports that the Greenway project will be surveyed by the City in October, and then Kate, Alison and Sean will meet with Camden Mills at the city to plan next steps. Alison filed the necessary permit with SWFMD for an exemption permit. An engineer will need to draw up the plans. The timeline gives us until August 2023 to complete the survey, permits, plans, quotes and subsequent removal of asphalt.

Other greenspace info...

- Joanne spoke with Candie and Sgt. Morris regarding homeless persons at Indian Beach Park. Candie will have her crew do some trimming that will allow police to see what is going on at the park as they drive by. (CPTED: Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design)
- Doggie bags that were taken down prior to Hurricane Ian will be returned to IBSSA from the city.

Land Use Committee: (Kevin Spence)

- No updates at this time.
- **Nominating Committee:** (Henry Bausback)
Henry and Kate are on the committee, along with Ceci Wooster. They are organizing and compiling a list of candidates. There will be a more extensive update in November after candidates have been interviewed.

Old Business

- **Variance hearing for Alameda dock variance**
The homeowner requested the variance after the initial denial by the planning committee. The applicant presented his case, the city presented theirs, and then various affected parties were allowed to speak. The goal was to find a compromise. No compromise was reached. The next meeting will be with the magistrate on October 28 at 9:30 am. One of the neighbors, Ray Nimrod, hired an attorney, as did a second neighbor, so that will help our case. Kevin will forward all documents to all Board members so they can be updated on the case.
- **October 9 IBSSA Picnic Social Event**

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Sharon Carr could not personally provide the summary tonight but gave notes to Joanne to present. A great time was had by all. Band setup started at 9:00 am. Volunteers arrived at 10:00 am to set up. City neighborhood trailer supplies included tables and chairs. Membership tables, pot-luck tables, grills, food, etc. were set up and all was ready by 11:30. Dogs and burgers cooked by Sharon and Kevin. Kevin coordinated volunteers. Shout out to Edith who helped with the food and potluck area. Kevin was a skilled grill master! All candidates for City and County Commission attended and had a meet and greet with neighbors. Also, the candidate for House District 72, Derrick Rich stopped by. The potluck table was awesome, and the face painting table stayed busy. Many stayed to listen to music. There is not an exact number yet, but an estimate is that more than 150 people attended. Many renewed memberships. Raffle prizes will be delivered to winners. Sharon Carr made sure that all leftover food and drinks were donated to Second Chance/Last Opportunity Outreach Facility which is run by Dr. April Glasgow. They provide many services and after Ian have been providing hot meals to people who lost their food due to the hurricane. Volunteers were acknowledged who worked above and beyond, coming before 10:00 am and staying after 4:00 pm to set up and take down. Joe McManus, Jim DiMaggio, Kevin Spence, Fred Gonet, Ceci Wooster, Henry Bausback, Sharon Carr, John Olenski, Laura Campbell, Roger Barkin, Lisa Barkin, Barbara Cherry, Amelia, and Lotti. Also, Mrs. Mark Smith, County Commission candidate's wife, who brought dishes for the potluck and helped out with face-painting. New resident, Stella Baron, may want to be our new communications chair as that is her area of expertise. And...Henry Bausback plays drums! Who knew? Kevin and Henry gave thanks to Joanne and Fred for all their efforts.

- **Sapphire North and South**

Meeting postponed until November 9th, 2022. Signs were not put out in time due to Hurricane Ian.

- **Corwood Easement Summary**

Community workshop hosted by the general manager of the planning department, Ryan Delaine (spelling?). Martin Black, land advisor for the owners, presented. Land on either side of Corwood was discovered to be available for purchase so the adjacent landowners asked the city to lift the easement so the owners can do what they please with the property, which could include fencing it up to the property boundaries. Mr. Black presented the opinion that the owners just want to be able to do what they want with their own land. Don Farr stated that this had been an unknown until recently and asked why this should be lifted since the owner has had full enjoyment of the property as is. This will move forward to a planning board hearing at a future time. The community workshop was #22-CW-33 and there was a summary written by the city which can be sent to all on the IBSSA Board.

New Business:

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- **Develop a “Friends of Jungle Gardens” volunteer program & possible partnerships with other organizations** – Alison Albee emphasized that Jungle Gardens is a great neighbor that should remain in our neighborhood. The result, should it have to be sold in the future, would certainly be high density housing; not what our neighborhood envisions. Alison and her husband volunteered to help after the storm and while there saw that an extensive cleanup is needed. Ideas are: start a foundation, create a volunteer program, partner with other entities to help support Jungle Gardens. This would require research on our part. Alison is just exploring to see if the IBSSA would be interested. The owner, Chris Lavick, would need to buy-in to our ideas, of course. IBSSA has provided support in the past. Alison and Andrea could create an ad in the newsletter to garner donations for them based on what they need. Grants could also be written to support programs at Jungle Gardens. This could be similar to “Friends of Selby Gardens”. Alison, Shelly, Rita and Andrea will get together to plan. They are the new “Friends of Jungle Garden Committee”.

Member Comments:

Next Board Meeting will be November 10th, 2022, at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Bloomquist
10/03/22