

**Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
December 1, 2022  
Zoom Virtual Meeting #846 7046 4388**

**Directors present:**

Joanne Gonet, President; Henry Bausback, Vice President; Kate Bloomquist, Recorder; Kevin Spence, Don Farr, Shelly Watson, Jessica McVay, Jessica Jacobson

**Directors absent:**

John Olenski, Treasurer; Alison Albee

With a quorum of 8 Directors established, President Joanne Gonet called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Guests:**

Joey O'Mahoney and David Jennings

Joanne Gonet read the Code of Conduct.

**Approval of the Minutes for the November 10, 2022 Board of Directors meeting:**

- Kate Bloomquist moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2022, meeting
- Henry Bausback seconded the motion.
- All Board members approved.

**Treasurer's Report and Membership for the month and year-to-date ending November 28, 2022 (Read for John Olenski by Joanne Gonet):**

President Joanne Gonet read the report sent to the board.

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

- Operating account budget is \$21,965.30
- YTD total income \$12,088.98
- YTD total expenses \$8,984.29
- YTD net operating income \$3,104.69
- November total income \$1,262.00
- November total expenses \$673.68
- November net income \$588.32
- Membership totals: 268

Henry Bausback moved to accept the treasurer's report, all members in favor.

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**Committee Reports**

**Neighborhood Watch Report** (read by Kate Bloomquist)

No crime reported within our neighborhood.  
4 crimes reported with Tamiami Trail addresses:

- 11/11/22 Burglary, 3100 block Tam. Tr. (business)
- 11/24/22 Burglary, 3100 block Tam. Tr. (business)
- 11/27/22 Aggravated assault, 4700 block Tam. Tr. (in a vehicle)
- 11/28/22 Robbery, 3300 block Tam. Tr. (North Trail Plaza parking lot)

**Beautification/Greenspace Update on the 45<sup>th</sup> street ROW project** (Kate Bloomquist)

- A meeting was held on November 17<sup>th</sup> at Alison Albee's house, attended by Joanne Gonet, Alison Albee, Sean Harris, Kate Bloomquist, Joey O'Mahoney, and Richard Moore. Topic was the next step in the process of removing old asphalt, which is to obtain drawings that are stamped and sealed by an engineer for submission to the city. Other permits have already been approved by SWFMD. Joanne had discussed this topic with Lou Costa at CCNA because we were not able to procure insurance from our provider to cover the volunteer engineer, who would not do the work without insurance. Lou Costa and his friend, Lou Dobbs (retired engineer who does volunteer work), talked to Nick Patel (city) and convinced him that this project would not need the engineering stamp in order to comply with code. A follow up meeting is scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Greenway with all listed above invited so that the details can be worked out. Since the grant was originally written to include engineering fees, we are also working on the prospect of the grantor allowing some of the grant funds to hopefully go toward seed spraying. If not, the excess funds will be returned.

**Land Use Committee:** (Kevin Spence)

- The developer of the Sapphire Projects has sold them both, and that buyer has also bought the Super 8 in between the 2 projects.

**Nominating Committee updates:**

- Henry acknowledged Kate and Cici for help in interviewing candidates. The committee now has 3 additional candidates for the slate: Joey O'Mahoney, Rita Mann and Kelsie Shy. David Jennings and Richard Parlato are the other 2 candidates. BoD members who are retiring or leaving the board are: Roger Barkin, David Morriss, Susan Rauth, and Alison Albee. Also, Jessica Jacobson will be stepping down since she is putting her house up for sale and will be moving out of the neighborhood.

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**Old Business**

**Friends of Jungle Gardens:** Alison Albee's report was read by Joanne Gonet. Jungle Gardens has applied for historic preservation. They are also looking into becoming a non-profit. There will be a meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup> at the City Commission chambers. Alison would like to represent us, in support of the historic designation, as an affected party. There was discussion regarding the benefits of having Jungle Gardens remain as a wonderful asset to our neighborhood.

Shelley Watson moved that Alison represent the Board as an affected party.  
Kevin Spence seconded.  
The Board unanimously concurred.

**Corwood Easement vacation:** Kevin Spence attempted to meet the owners/neighbors (Murrays) by knocking on their door and also left a note at the door. They did not respond. This item is on the city agenda for December 7<sup>th</sup>. Kevin and Don Farr both attended the last meeting. The owners to the north are represented by an attorney. This family currently owns this property, but it is still up to the city to decide because it included a public access-way. Kevin had 2 ideas to present at the meeting: (1) we have concerns about stormwater, and (2) would the Murrays give the south side of the parcel to the city as a park. Joanne wondered if she and a few board members should meet with the concerned parties to discuss this situation. Several Board members agreed to join her.

**3940 Bay Shore Rd:** The owner of the property, Amanda Anderson, contacted Joanne and complained that she had heard that there were multiple negative emails/grievances from neighbors to Board members regarding her property. Joanne had only received 2. Anderson was demanding all emails to and from the Board. She discussed with Anderson that the only emails the Board had received she was also copied on. We have no additional emails. The Andersons also asked for all minutes for 2022. They were directed to go to our website to read the minutes.

**New Business:**

**Marlin Conservation Square vacation:** Kevin attended the meeting. There were 4 persons in support of the vacation and 15 who had concerns, including the possibility of increased stormwater runoff. One of the 2 property owners on either side of the easement, Kaylie, was very defensive about her position that she does not feel safe with that property unfenced. There will be a community workshop, then a planning board meeting. Kaylie, Boots, etc. said that they would be willing to discuss this with the Board. Denise (Brywill Circle) brought up photos of flooding that had occurred earlier. They are concerned about future flooding. Another neighbor, Jesse White, has been communicating with the City. He led the move to make it a conservation status years ago. He approached Joanne to see if she would approach the city to see if it could become a pocket park. If that is the route we want to take, he suggested we start with a petition for IBSS residents to sign; that would carry more weight with the city. What is apparent is that both adjoining property owners want the land for their own personal use, so

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compromises may not work. David Jennings added that he fully disclosed to the property buyer (Kaylie) that the easement was not part of the purchase and that it was a neighborhood conservation easement. She knew that it added value to her property.

**CCNA Update:** Jessica McVay reported that as the meeting was a holiday party, no business was discussed.

**Agenda topics for Semi-Annual meeting:** Debbie Muller (or Kate) will present Neighborhood Watch report, Liz Albert (District 2 representative on the City Commission) will attend and answer questions from attendees, Kafi Benz will present on Florida's Right to Clean Water, Debbie Trice (newly elected City Commissioner) will attend as an observer. It was agreed that we should invite Chris Lavick from Jungle Gardens to present to the neighbors. BoD business meeting portion will be next. Minutes will be distributed from the May Semi-Annual meeting, and a vote will be held on the new Board members. Discussion followed on how to streamline the sign-in process at the meeting.

**Yard Sale dates set:** January 28-29th

**Member Comments:**

Next Board Meeting will be in person at the LOTW Church, January 5th, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kate Bloomquist  
Interim Recorder