

**Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association
Board of Directors Meeting
February 2, 2023
Zoom Virtual Meeting #846 7046 4388**

Directors present:

Joanne Gonet, President; Henry Bausback, Vice President; John Olenski, Treasurer; Kate Bloomquist, Recorder; Kevin Spence, Shelly Watson, Kelsie Shy, Rita Mann, Joey O'Mahoney, Richard Parlato, David Jennings, Don Farr, Jessica McVay

Directors absent: none

With a quorum of 13 directors established, President Joanne Gonet called the meeting to order at. 7:06 p.m.

Guest: Jack Barnett

Joanne Gonet read the Code of Conduct.

Approval of the Minutes for the January 5th Board of Directors meeting:

- Kevin Spence moved to approve the minutes of the January 5th meeting.
- Richard Parlato seconded the motion.
- All Board members approved.

Treasurer's Report and Membership for the month and year-to-date ending Jan.

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

- YTD total income \$3282.00
- YTD total expenses \$1793.73
- December total income \$1488.27
- December total expenses TBD
- December net income \$3282.00
- Membership totals: 150

Richard Parlato moved to accept the treasurer's report, all members in favor.

Housekeeping: none

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Committee Reports:

Neighborhood Watch Report: No report at this time.

Beautification/Greenspace Update: (Joey O’Mahoney) Joey discussed his recent minimal cleanup performed at Marlin Square in order for members and neighbors to be able to see the swale and entrance to the area, which had been allowed to grow over during the current steward’s oversight. A planned cleanup for Feb. 11th was discussed, and the idea was brought forward to move that cleanup to a different area in IBSS until the current situation is settled

Land Use Committee: (Kevin Spence) **Roer’s North Tamiami:** Meeting with developers January 25. J. Gonet, K. Spence, D. Jennings, K. Shy, M. McCarthy and Atty. C. Bailey. Might be adding ingress/egress on 42nd St. No attainable housing, 225 units, 1.3 parking spots per unit, possible pedestrian access to 45th and Greenway (asked for minimal sidewalk), barrier and lightning control requested, no pvc fence, “green” building, requested 10% better than minimum on stormwater. Funders live in Sarasota area, 10-year investment, no sub-leasing, they will discuss with neighbors about encroaching fences.

Felix Dock Property: February 8th City Commission will receive Magistrate’s report. February 22nd Board of Adjustments to hear Magistrate’s report (important to attend), if there are volunteers to revisit site of portential dock enlargements to take photos of/assessed sea grass.

Membership Committee: (Rita Mann) Currently 150 members. What is the process of new and renewal memberships and can we explain that to members, perhaps in newsletter? Set a timeline to meet and prepare letters for mailing. Membership letters are sent out from a Master list of all address in IBSS. At the moment there are 1142 addresses on it. The mailing does not contain a resident name. The president’s membership message letters would be addressed the same as the newsletters:

Example: Neighbor, 3617 Iroquois Ave, Sarasota, FL, 34234 This ensures that we are not forwarding newsletters as buyers and renters move from the neighborhood. The committee needs to meet to update master list with recent address list acquired by Kelsie, and addresses from individual apartments in multi-family units need to be added.

Yard Sale: (Ceci Wooster, read by Joanne Gonet)

Procedures for this year’s sale followed those that have been used for many years with a few exceptions. The advertising and notice of the sale did not change. The sign up and payment methods were simplified as more people used the website to pay for memberships and sale donations than ever before. When people sign up on the website, notifications come to me automatically and I assemble the list earlier and more accurately. I emailed last year’s sellers and gained about 10 repeats. A total of 42 households registered and paid to

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participate. During rounds I made on Saturday and Sunday I found that as many as 9 households held sales without registering.

On Saturday, the first day of the sale. I noticed that several of our generic yellow garage sale signs had already been removed by early afternoon. I don't know if this removal is by sellers who want to end the traffic or some other person. Next year I would add communication about the signs being returned.

At the end of Sunday's sign pick up, I counted 10 missing yellow signs. I did not receive one complaint from anyone. (!!) I did receive some thank yous. This was nice.

The yard sale signs, stands and flags were delivered to the Gonet household for storage in the IBSSA storage unit.

Ceci Wooster 1/30/2023

Old Business

Corwood Easement Vacation Update: There is a meeting planned with Attorney Fournier's office on February 10. Attending board members will be Joanne Gonet, Kevin Spence, Richard Parlato, and Don Farr. More information to follow.

Marlin Conservation Easement Update: On January 25th Joanne Gonet, Jesse White, Kevin Spence, and Richard Parlato meet with Attorney Bob Fournier, Attorney John Shamsey, City Planners Briana Dobbs, and Rebecca Webster to discuss the neighborhood easement vacation issue. Jesse White took the lead on this meeting since he was the one who had all the past information that was needed to present. The city attorneys were surprised when Jesse said that The Marlin Square had been a paved ROW and the neighborhood with the help of the city removed the asphalt to convert it into a water conservation area in 2000. Unfortunately, the city has no past records saved on this and unless Jesse can find more records it is only our word. To add more issues to this Beautification chair Joey O'Mahoney planned a clean-up on February 11th. The property owner to the north Keleigh Swan was notified from the attorney's office that we had a meeting and told her that we were planning a cleanup. That is the letter we received asking us to not do a cleanup. I spoke with Attorney Fournier regarding the emails, he is trying to get more information. His worry is that if we proceed, they may call the police.

Tommy's Car Wash: Tommy's Car Wash will go to the DRC on Feb. 15. They have retained Icard Merrill as their attorney. City is requiring a full traffic study. There is a petition online, available on FB and Next Door. There are also opposition letters. The board will now move forward to organizing talking points for the future planning boards meetings, when announced.

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New Business:

Spring Event Neighborhood Ice Cream Social: April 2nd, 2023. The Chill Mobile has been secured, City Parks trailer for tables and chairs, permit approved, and band hired!

CCNA January Meeting: 1st meeting of the year. New board of directors voted in and CCNA initiatives discussed for future meetings. CCNA meeting information can be found on their website sarasotaccna.org

Member Comments: Rita Mann, Shelley Watson and Alison. Rita toured Sunken Gardens in St. Pete to learn about their journey to a non-profit supported by a neighborhood partnership. Sunken Gardens was purchased by the city of St. Pete in order to preserve it. Perhaps Jungle Gardens will want to look into a change in status.

Next Board Meeting will be in person at the LOTW Church, March 2nd, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Bloomquist
Recorder