

**Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
August 3, 2023**

**Directors present:**

Henry Bausback, President; (vacant position), Vice President; John Olenski, Treasurer; Kate Bloomquist, Recorder; Kevin Spence, Rita Mann, Joey O'Mahoney, David Jennings, Don Farr,

**Directors absent:** Richard Parlato, Shelly Watson, Kelsie Shy, Jessica McVay

With a quorum of 8 Directors established, President Henry Bausback called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Guest:** Alison Albee

**Approval of the Minutes for the June 1, 2023 Board of Directors meeting:**

- Rita Mann moved to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2023 meeting.
- David Jennings seconded the motion.
- All members voted to approve.

**Treasurer's Report and Membership for the month and year-to-date ending July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

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

- YTD total income: \$ 14,562.90
- YTD total expenses: \$ 33,594.50
- YTD net income: **-\$19,031.60**
- July total expenses: \$ 435.07
- July total income: \$ 1,429.00
- July net income: \$ 993.93
  
- Membership totals: 358

Kevin Spence moved to accept the treasurer's report, all members in favor.

**Committee Reports**

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

6/3/23: 3 Auto burglaries, 2 at 800 block Highland, 1 at 900 block Highland. Suspects, 3 juvenile Black males. prints obtained, video pending.

6/7/23: Aggravated assault, Sylvan Drive. Arrest made. (Domestic violence) More charges pending.

6/29/23: Attempted burglary, 400block North Shore Rd. Suspect is White male.

7/4/23: Motor vehicle theft, 4200 block Sarasota Ave. Vehicle taken by known suspects, recovered in Manatee.

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7/5/23: Aggravated assault, 800 block 42nd St. Known suspect, no additional information.

7/10/23: Suspicious person, 4700 block Eastchester Dr. 6:47 am. Resident found unknown person on back patio and a prescription bottle. Police did not respond, Fire/Rescue came. Individual put pills in pocket, was evaluated by EMTs and then left. Video indicated person was there since 3:30 am. White Male, bearded, nicely dressed.

7/17/23: Simple assault, 800 block Myrtle St. 6:15 am. Female resident walking dog was knocked down and kicked by several offenders wearing hoodies. Victim suffered numerous injuries. Suspects, juveniles, Black males, one Black female.

7/17/23: Attempted Motor Vehicle Theft, 3900 block Sarasota Ave. 6:00 am. Window shattered, possible suspects observed.

7/25/23: Suspicious person, 1:30 am. 4400 block Bay Shore Rd. Resident observed person outside window. Police made contact and learned identity of person, who stated he was homeless and lost. Officers determined he did not meet criteria for Baker Act. Individual described as 36-year-old Black male, 6 feet tall, 185 pounds, fit, short hair, some facial hair, dark pants and Alabama t-shirt. It was discovered that the same individual had been detected by security cameras at 4700 block Bay Shore Rd. shortly after 1:30 am, looking in windows, trying the door and tampering with a surveillance camera. Also videoed at 4800 block Brywill Circle tampering with security cameras.

**Beautification/Greenspace Update (Joey O'Mahoney)**

Rolf Hansen invited members to join in on helping to maintain the Bay Haven food forest.

Cleanups will be scheduled at Hegener Trail and North Shore and Bay Shore Road. Joey will contact members of the committee to get a group of volunteers.

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

Kevin spoke to Nik Patel and then Steve Cover (director of planning) Planning to do a walk through with Steve at Roer's site to better understand IBSSA's perspective and needs.

At the DRC meeting Kevin spoke to Charlie Bailey:

The IBSSA appreciate Roer's effort to achieve two exits onto 41 and understand it was FDOT and the city that forced the exit onto 42nd Street. (2nd exit is maintained onto Tamiami).

We appreciate the continued efforts to include neighborhood input on the project.

-Concerns moving forward:

- **Specs detailing PVC fencing.** We strongly hope for something more decorative along the frontage to the neighborhood along 42nd street, and Sarasota Ave/45th Street. Perhaps black metal in those areas? Both locations have 30' setbacks; so see-through fencing there might complement the landscaping in those locations.

- **High visibility areas/views from neighborhood.** As just mentioned just above, the corner of 45th and Sarasota, and the 42nd street stretch are opportunities to enhance the neighborhood greenery; we look forward to seeing your plans. Additionally, reminder to aesthetically screen all rooftop HVAC or other hardware from all compass points (N,S,E, W)

- **Sidewalk to nowhere along Sarasota Ave.** Can you do something semi-permeable? And maybe decorative? Concrete pavers over sand? I don't know if we'll ever get rid of it; the city is slow to recognize that the street IS our sidewalk (for 75% of IBSS), so maybe having it look like a garden walkway might be a halfway point?

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- **Dumpster noise and visibility** at 45th & Sarasota. The location is very near a recreational area for us so whatever can be done to mitigate noise and improve looks will be appreciated. I heard mention of a cinderblock wall around the dumpster area. Could that be stucco-ed? Perhaps a bit of the Art money could be spent to paint a greenery mural on that wall to help it blend away?
- Thank you for the **bio-swale at the bubbler on 45th & Sarasota**; now that there is 30' foot of frontage on **42nd street**, can something like that work there too? We appreciate the attention to stormwater and the help with our 1950's neighborhood surface-management stormwater system.
- **Parking**. We are very disappointed to see the downward evolution of the parking numbers. The current plans have 284 spaces for 225 units or 1.26 per. How far is this below Roer's stated goal of 1 per bedroom, please? Any objection to our asking the city to reduce the frontage on 42nd street to add more parking?
- **Traffic into neighborhood**. Any luck with getting a right-turn only (RTO) onto Tamiami from 42nd street? As per a prior email, with a planned round-a-bout at Myrtle, it would only be a short swing to go north. An RTO would keep traffic from stacking up behind someone trying to turn left onto Tamiami from 42nd St. and as a result sending potentially 284 cars per day through the streets/sidewalks of Indian Beach/Sapphire Shores.

Roer's plans for a rooftop sky lounge: nice amenity, overlooking 45th Street. Will not be an additional stroy, but will be part of 4th floor.

Monday, August 7 is second reading of the Marlin Square decision. No BoD members will be in attendance.

**Membership Committee:** (Rita Mann) Goals and objectives continue from previous report. Membership up to 358 members! What kind of investment can we make to help increase membership and improve membership experience? Workgroup can work on a plan to present to Board to start earlier in the year to get people to renew. Approximately 30 new homeowners a year: How can we welcome them, what can we give them as a welcome gift? Leave them a newsletter rather than a membership form? Work on one idea at a time.

Need resupply: Printed letters (2-sided), printed envelopes, stamps

Consideration: Pre-print via alternative method in brand color (value of brand, polish of materials)

Consideration: Re-evaluate manual system

### **Old Business**

Discussion on conversion of CD #5016684 (John Olenski). John moved to close out current CD \$8,886.45 @ 2.5%. Open new CD at 5% for 12 months. John moved to approve, and Kevin seconded. All voted in favor.

Update on Greenway (Alison Albee) The Greenway expansion has been completed. All paving material and related packed surface was removed by Graber. Land was graded with additional fill dirt and then hydroseeded. Silt fence will remain up to protect property until we can get approval from the City to move old fence for northern boundary and erect fence on eastern boundary. \$10,000.00 grant funds reimbursement check received from Sarasota Estuary Program and submitted to John Olenski, treasurer.

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**New Business:**

- Open Board seat and open VP position. Consider these positions and possible candidates.

Henry's term expires by the end of 2023.

- City of Sarasota Neighborhood Grant Application (Kate Bloomquist) A motion was made to apply for \$3,000.00 in grant funds to be used to complete fencing and purchase plants to add to the Greenway beautification. The BoD authorized the additional \$1,500.00 (in money or volunteer labor) that will be required from the BoD. Kevin seconded. All voted to approve. Due by August 28th.
- Pressure Wash Myrtle IBSS sign (Joey O'Mahoney) Joey requested quotes on cleaning sign, approx. \$450.00. BoD members suggested that a small group of volunteers could clean without hiring a professional. Joey will contact volunteers.
- BoD vacancies: (Jessica McVay's seat and Joanne Gonet's seat are vacant.)

Nominations needed: Henry will contact Jessica to confirm her resignation.

- Fall Picnic/Social, planning for Nov. 5th. We will look at process from past events. Be sure to include a porta-potty.

**Member Comments: none**

**Upcoming Events in 2023:**

Deadline for newsletter, August 28

Fall Social/Picnic, Sunday, November 5

Semi-Annual meeting, Tuesday, December 12 (pending confirmation)

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kate Bloomquist  
Recorder