

**Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores Association
Board of Directors Meeting
March 6, 2025**

Directors present:

Henry Bausback, President; Richard Parlato, Vice President; Matt Tilka, Treasurer; Kate Bloomquist, Recorder; Shelley Watson, Jack Wooster, Kevin Spence, Jacqueline Crouse, Leslie Townsend, Don Farr

Directors absent: Clark Headrick, Nancy Platkin

With a quorum of 10 Directors established, President Henry Bausback called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Guest(s): none

Approval of the Minutes for the February 6th, 2025 Board of Directors meeting:

- Richard moved, Matt seconded to approve.
- All members voted to approve the minutes. None opposed.

Treasurer's Report and Membership for the month and year-to-date ending February 28th, 2025

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

- YTD total income: \$ 1,340.00
- YTD total expenses: \$ 2,987.76
- YTD net income: **\$ 1,647.76**
- February total expenses: \$ 1,103.40
- February total income: \$ 150.00
- February net income: **\$ 953.40**
- Membership totals:

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

Committee Reports

Beautification/Greenspace Update (Jack Wooster) At the Neighborhood Social, Jack will be focusing on showing neighbors how to improve their yards in ways to create "mini-greenspaces" where local species of insects and birds can thrive and move about in the neighborhood using the local environmentally friendly spaces as a patchwork of greenspaces. He has a handout to share with neighbors visiting his table on Sunday.

The plan to install a news/bulletin board at Sapphire Shores Park will be moved forward to fruition by Jack. He has already worked with the City on the plan, which the City has approved. He will now work on placement and the Board has approved that the cost is within his Greenspace budget.

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Leslie commented that since there is a dog-owner allowing a dog to defecate daily in the Hegener Trail, disregarding the city ordinance that requires that the owner must pick up after the dog, that she will place a sign referencing the ordinance on the trail and reminding the neighbor that bags are available at the head of the Trail.

Membership Committee: (Nancy Platkin) Not at the meeting.

Events Committee: (Jacqueline Crouse) Recommended that we repost the email blast to neighbors for the upcoming Social event.

Jacqueline shared a copy of the map for Sunday's Social. She will have nametags for neighbors and non-neighbor visitors, tickets for the raffles for 5 giveaways which will only be given to members, each attendee will get one free drink, members will also get a koozie. She proposes that future monthly activities are planned to include visits to the restaurants and businesses that are supporting us in the social event. She has MyMamma, Mama G's, Rico's Pizza, Shelf Indulgence, Mirna's, Jungle Gardens, Pirates Cove, Sunnyside, and RONC participating in Sunday's event.

Signs (Leslie Townsend) New signs are working well, with a few tweaks needed for windy conditions blowing flyers out of the insert on the sign. There are now 22 signs that we can use for different events. Leslie will place the older signs out on the morning of the event that direct neighbors to the park.

CCNA: (Kevin Spence) Kevin attended the meeting regarding the new performing arts plans near the Van Wezel. The Van Wezel will not be demolished but will remain as part of a larger campus of several new buildings that will be funded 50/50 from philanthropic groups and a tax that only impacts the immediate properties surrounding the improvements.

Land Use Committee: (Kevin Spence): The former Mel-o-dee restaurant will reopen in about 4 weeks as a *Motor vehicle showroom*: A building where new or used automobiles, trucks, vans, trailers, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, or similar motorized vehicles are displayed and offered for sale in a completely enclosed building, where no repair work or storage is done on-site. Some questions have been raised by neighbors as to some possible code violations and the neighbors will continue to inquire and keep Kevin apprised of the City's responses.

Neighborhood Watch Report : (Kate Bloomquist/Debbie Muller) Crime decreased significantly compared to this time last year. There has been just one residential burglary this year. Numerous reports of suspicious persons, incidents, and vehicles in the area. Several persons were trespassed and detained after police were called to a noise disturbance at Indian Beach Park after 11:00 pm: drug possession, intoxication, and/or open container.

Website Redesign: (Henry Bausback/Kate Bloomquist) The new website will be published before the Sunday event so that Board members can provide feedback on changes needed. The old site will continue to be supported and used for member sign-up until we test the new site for payments and membership forms.

Old Business: Proposal to amend the bylaws regarding expenditures over \$500 (Richard Parlato/Shelley Watson)

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Shelley will revise language to ensure that the Board approves the expenditures, and the BoD will vote on the final language at the next meeting.

New Business: There is still a vacancy for one position on the Board. Recommendations are welcome and then the nominating committee can convene. Shelley and Kate will draft a general “job description” that can list bullet points of expectations for Board members. This could be given to prospective nominees.

Member/Guest Comments: Kevin: Were there military planes using SRQ recently? Noisy, and will this be more of a concern? Don Farr said it is always a practice to have some use by military but that there is no plan to increase the typical usage.

Richard: Talked to Bob Fritz, owner of houses that are rented at corner of 45th and Bay Shore. He helped Fritz understand code, rules for disposing of trash and maintenance of property.

City of Sarasota will be opening a new website soon with a link on “Click to Fix”

Upcoming Events in 2025:

Spring Social, Sapphire Shores Park, March 9, 2025, 1:00-4:00

Next Board of Directors Meeting April 3, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., LOTW Church

Richard moved and Kate seconded to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Bloomquist
Recorder