

**GOLDEN BEACH ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
**Minutes from Board Meeting at Vencie City Hall/Firehouse**  
**February 7, 2023**

**Officers and Directors in Attendance:**

Sandi Knepp, Gene Dillahunty, Steve Oglethorpe, John Burkhardt, Dee Leatherbury, Bob Mondelli, Peggy Parys, Kelly Scolaro, Rick Tuss, Margot Urmano, Bill Sinibaldi

**Absent:** Dale Kunz, Jeanne Johnston, Karen Fallon

**Committee Chairs and Other Members in Attendance:**

Karen Calder, Dick Eberhart, Katie Flynn, George Leatherbury, Andy Liscow, Nancy Liscow, Mike Mueller, Mary Ann Dillahunty, Mary Willhoit, John Spada, Robert Schuster, and Lisa Schuster

**Non-Members in Attendance:**

Jeffrey Gates and Jeanette Gates

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Sandi Knepp at 6:30 p.m.

**January 2023 Secretary's Report**

The Minutes from the January 2023 meeting were distributed via email prior to the meeting. One correction was made- Margot Urmano was absent from the January meeting but in the minutes was listed as present. Motion made by Steve O. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill S. to accept the January minutes with the change. Vote to approve was unanimous.

**January 2023 Treasurer's Report**

Sandi K. reviewed the Treasurer's report emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. Motion made to accept the January 2023 Treasurer's Report by John B. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Margot U. without change. Vote to approve was unanimous.

**Old Business**

**Sign topper inventory/status** – Mike M. reported that 3 are on hand and 3 need to be ordered. Gene D. will inspect the poles to see if brackets are still in place. City will be contacted if installation assistance is needed.

**Committee Reports**

**Social Committee-** Dee L. and Karen C. reported that the January BBQ event was a success. 90 people attended. Dee stated the biggest problem was obtaining payments from attendees. Mary Ann D. suggested creating a payment feature on the GBAI website for future events that require payment. Upcoming Mardi Gras event is Feb 18 and 64 people have registered to attend. Dee still needs volunteers to cook red beans and rice. Rain date is Feb 19. March 11 is the upcoming corn beef/cabbage event. Dee will be asking for volunteers to cook.

**Membership Communications** – Elizabeth V. has resigned so a replacement for her position is needed. The replacement person will need to learn the directory system/software. Steve O. suggested publicly thanking Elizabeth for her years of service in the Feb newsletter and the Board agreed. Katie Flynn presented the membership workflow. Margot is continuing to take care of parking passes and guest

passes. In order for the system to work smoothly, if a new request comes in during the year, the person must use the contact form on the website or send an email directly to [contact@goldenbeachassociates.com](mailto:contact@goldenbeachassociates.com) and not call or email Board members, Katie F. or Margot U. directly. Concern was raised that people do not know about the website or the contact email. Margot suggested that street captains could distribute a flyer with this information on it.

**Beach Access-** Andy L. stated that there has been an increase in trespass/cars without proper stickers since the last Board meeting, but the number seems similar the same time frame last year. The well quote is \$5,875 which is below approved \$6k budgeted. Well contractor is the same as who the Beachcomber used to install their well. Work should take 2 weeks to complete. Rainscape irrigation quote is \$5,950 and is below approved budgeted amount. Once the new system is installed, Andy would like to remove the Rubbermaid shed at the front of the property as it is falling apart. Board approved both projects to move ahead. Andy will need a check for the 50% deposit and will arrange this with Dale. Andy has been treating ants and no other insect issues noted at this time. John C. suggested adding more mulch after the well and irrigation projects are completed.

**Newsletter/Website-** Steve O. requested content for the newsletter by Feb 8 and plans to send out Feb 9.

**History/Archives** – Dick E. – nothing to report

**Street Captains-** Nancy L. reported that directories have been successfully distributed with only one household issue that she knows of. A concern that street captains and directory information is not matched up correctly. Nancy will work with Steve to resolve. Margot suggested that directories should not be left on doorsteps/front porches as they contain personal information. Nancy stated that she instructed street captains not to do this.

**Community Affairs/Charter/Bylaws-** Gene D. – nothing to report

### **New Business**

**Charitable/volunteer projects-** Karen C. has volunteered to lead the efforts. 25 people were invited to get involved based on their response to survey question last year. 14 people volunteered for City of Venice Make a Difference Day on Jan 21. The group was tasked with spreading mulch on Venice Ave median. Karen is hosting a brainstorming meeting at 1:30 on Feb 8 at the GBAI Gazebo. Some ideas generated so far include a food drive, Habitat for Humanity team, neighborhood response/crisis team. Karen asked if she needs Board approval to move forward with projects or should a formal committee be formed? Sandi asked that Karen report back to the Board at the March meeting for further discussion.

### **Projects for 2023**

**Electric-** Sandi K obtained a second bid for electrical work needed at the beach access. Steve O. suggested to wait for electrical work until after well and irrigation install complete. Andy L. stated an electrician will be needed for well and irrigation to be finalized.

**Security Cameras** – Tabled

**Pavers-** Repairs have been made after gate install but still need some finishing still needed. Steve and Sandi working on this.

**Irrigation-** See beach access above

**Address the Board/Proposal** – Jeffrey Gates voiced the following concerns and provided 3 pictures showing the current state and proposed changes.

- Fence is blocking his view of the beach. He would like the fence height to be lowered back to the original height of 48” and changed to look like the gate (open style) instead of being opaque
- Shed is too tall and blocks his view of the beach. He would like the shed to be removed and for GBAI to use a rental company for any tables, chairs, etc. for social events instead of storing them in the shed
- He wants security cameras installed and the signage regarding the cameras changed to be more visible.

Sandi K. thanked Jeffrery for his presentation and stated the Board will review and discuss

**2023 Budget** – Sandi K. presented the proposed 2023 Budget that Dale had emailed out to the Board prior to the meeting. Dee L. pointed out there was a discrepancy in the social committee numbers. Steve O. motioned to approve the budget with the caveat that the social committee section will be corrected. Bill S. seconded motion. Vote to approve was unanimous.

**Adjournment** – Steve O. motioned for meeting to adjourn and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John B. Vote to adjourn unanimous. President Sandi Knepp adjourned meeting at 7:22pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Scolaro substituting for Jeanne Johnston, Secretary