

GOLDEN BEACH ASSOCIATES, INC.
Minutes from Board Meeting at Venice City Hall/Firehouse – March 5, 2024

Officers and Directors in Attendance

Sandi Knepp, Gene Dillahunty, Steve Oglethorpe, Andy Liscow, John Spada, Margot Urmano, George Leatherbury, Mike Muhlbauer, Bob Mondelli, Peggy Parys, John Burkhardt, Peggy Parys, Julia Palucci, Karen Calder

Committee Chairs and Other Members in Attendance

Dee Leatherbury, Nancy Liscow, John Calder, Mike Mueller

Absent: Chris Derbak

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Sandi Knepp @ 6:31 p.m. Steve Oglethorpe moved and Gene Dillahunty 2nd the motion to approve the February 6th Board minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report

Andy Liscow reported that the social expense for the event in February were slightly higher (\$30) than budgeted. The overall cash position from the previous month has declined slightly. Andy recommended not to renew the 5 Month CD as the costs for investing our excess cash in the current CD would cost more than the interest received. Steve Oglethorpe moved and George Leatherbury seconded the motion to approve the financial report.

Committee Reports

Social Committee: Dee reported that the event at the Pavilion went well. It was suggested that the committee consider providing water, lemonade, coffee or tea at the next event. It was noted that people left very quickly after eating and a suggestion was to have a dance party after dinner. The weather may also have been a factor for people leaving early, as there was a brisk wind and temperature drop after sunset.

Sandi brought up the idea of reinstating social events in the summer. Mike Mueller will try to continue to contact the previous business that provided lobster for a lobster boil. Other brainstorming ideas included reserving tables at local restaurants (such as: Salty Dog, a Wine Tasting Event, Dockside, and hiring a Food Truck, if the Food Truck met city permit requirements.)

Membership and Communication: Margo reported that only one membership is currently pending.

Beach Access: John Calder reported that he was able to reinforce the current bike racks; but that they do need replacing. An estimate of \$600 was given to replace a rack that will hold seven bikes. We will need 2 racks. John recommended to hold off a purchase until either the end of 2024 or budget for the purchase in 2025. John Burkhardt reported 90% on the lawn will be available to use for the March 9th social. More shells are needed on the driveway, and the plan is to add more shells to the driveway in April. The purchase of security cameras at the Beach Access is ongoing and a camera is needed that is strictly a recording device and can handle the Florida weather. Mike Mulbauer will look into the possibilities.

The members present were asked to consider a sign on the gate that would discourage “walk ins” from outside the Golden Beach Community from utilizing our beach access.

Newsletter:

Steve Oglethorpe reported that the newsletter would go out on Wednesday, March 6th.

History/Archives:

No report

Street Captains:

Nancy Liscow reported that the committee discussed the best way to distribute the directories. The committee recommended continuing their current practice to go door to door to encourage their personal relationship with neighbors. Next year, they would consider the possibility for a beach access “handout day” in Feb or March for those families who were unsuccessfully contacted.

Community Affairs/Charter/Bylaws:

Gene Dillahunty reported that the condo groups have met together to create a game plan for the airport noise abatement. Representatives of the condo group will meet with the airport manager and discuss the role of the new noise liaison officer.

Regarding the Flamingo flooding concerns, city councilman Ron Smith was able to secure funding to monitor the ditch flooding.

New flood zone maps have been created and some zones in the Golden Beach area have shifted.

New Business

Sandi expressed the need for summer coverage of the beach access since the two co-chairs will be gone for the summer months. It was suggested to put contact information on the bulletin board in case of issues over the summer.

Volunteers : With Karen Calder stepping off as chairman of the Volunteer Committee, a new coordinator is needed. Rina Caldwell may also need assistance with the Blalock Park December display.

Pavers: With just a few people committing to purchasing a paver, Steve Oglethorpe recommended that in mid-April, orders will be filled without a minimum requirement. Each customized brick will continue to cost \$250.

Meeting Dates: Mike Mueller reported that the large meeting room typically used will not be available for our Annual Meeting due to renovations. Mike will research alternatives; but, he will reserve the use of the new Police Station Meeting Room on Venice Ave for Wed., Dec 11th, if no other alternative can be found.

Due to the 2024 general election, John Burkhardt moved and Steve Oglethorpe seconded the motion that the November meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6th. The motion was approved.

No GBAI Board Meetings will be held in the months of June, July, August.

Adjournment: Steve Oglethorpe moved and Gene Dillahunty seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled on Tuesday, April 2nd.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Calder, Secretary

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 2nd, at 6:30 p.m.