

Golden Beach Associates, Inc.

Minutes of Board Meeting – January 7, 2025

Members Present: Peggy Parys, Sandi Knepp, Steve Oglethorpe, Andy Liscow, George Leatherbury, Jay Fuchs, Stephen Meinsen, Mike Muhlbauer, Gene Dillahunty, John Burkhardt, Julia Paulucci Minor, Karen Calder

Committee Chairs and Other Members in Attendance: Dee Leatherbury, Nancy Liscow, John Calder, Bruce Caldwell, Mike Mueller

Call to Order: At 6:30 p.m., Sandy Knepp handed the President's gavel to Peggy Parys, and Peggy called the meeting to order. Peggy welcomed the new two board members, Stephen Meinsen and Jay Fuchs.

December Minutes Review: Dee Leatherbury was thanked for taking the December meeting minutes. Andy Liscow noted that there was an error in the reported cash balance. The cash balance was \$28,000, not the \$78,000 that was reported in the minutes. Steve Oglethorpe moved and George Leatherbury seconded the motion to approve the minutes with the amended total for the cash balance. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report: Copies of the December Financial Report and the proposed 2025 Budget were distributed, and Andy Liscow reviewed both reports. Andy raised a question regarding a letter he received for a 501C3 status. Peggy Parys will research whether Golden Beach Associates, Inc., is required to file for 501C3 status. Sandy moved and Gene seconded the motion to approve the financial report. Motion approved.

Andy reviewed the 2025 Budget, noting that the budget is balanced. John Burkhardt moved and George Leatherbury seconded the motion to accept the budget. Motion approved.

Committee Reports:

Social Committee: Dee Leatherbury reviewed a list of the events scheduled for 2025. The weather challenges in planning a catered outdoor event (with prepaid dinners) were discussed. The Social Committee has made changes to encourage more interaction among neighbors at the planned events.

Membership: Two parking passes of GBAI members were returned to GBAI via USPS. Mike Muhlbauer and Mike Mueller will deliver the passes to the appropriate members.

Garbage Duty: Mike Mueller reported that one volunteer is still needed. Mike reported that many of the time slots for the garbage duties have been filled by new members. Steve Oglethorpe will include a request in the newsletter for another volunteer.

Beach Access: John Calder reported that the property manager at Ocean Sands was concerned that children running and rolling around in their sand hill was damaging their new vegetative growth. An article in the upcoming newsletter will request that GBAI families try to keep the children away from the sand hill.

There was a bonfire reported just south of the GBAI beach one evening. Our cameras did not spot anyone either coming or leaving the GBAI beach or sitting by the fire.

The vines on the north wall will be removed and Peter Virgilio is willing to repaint the wall.

The Meyer family is willing to donate their outside awning, if GBAI is interested. A small committee will be formed to consider the use of the awning.

The bike racks and sealing the pavers are on the list of improvements to be made to the access. It is still questionable if all the grass, plants and trees will fully recover from the hurricanes.

Newsletter: Steve Oglethorpe led a discussion on the best way to present in the newsletter the two large projects that the city is making to improve water quality in Venice. Rewording or eliminating a few phrases were suggested.

Archives: Mike Muhlbauer needed directions to the GBAI archives. Mike Mueller offered to show Mike Muhlbauer the location.

Street Captains: Nancy Liscow reported that 25 more membership renewals were made after the Street Captains reached out to their neighbors. On January 12th, the Street Captains will have a meeting to pick up their directories. The directories will be distributed by the end of January.

Charitable and Volunteer: Julia Minor received a few more names from GBAI members for suggested community resources following a hurricane. She will be providing Steve Oglethorpe with the additional names for the website. Steve Oglethorpe shared that he and Sue Lang will be heading up a cleanup crew to pick up debris along some of the roads in Golden Beach on Saturday, January 11th, 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join in to help.

Community Affairs: No report

Adjournment: At 7:38, Sandy Knepp moved and Steve Oglethorpe seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Calder, Secretary

Next GBAI Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 4th, 6:30 p.m., at the Venice Fire Station #1