

Golden Beach Associates, Inc.

Minutes of Board Meeting– March 3, 2025

Officers and Directors in Attendance: Peggy Parys, Sandi Knepp, Steve Oglethorpe, Karen Calder, Andy Liscow, John Burkhardt, Bob Mondelli, Margot Urmano, Mike Muhlbauer, Julia Minor, George Leatherbury, Steve Meinsen, John Burkhardt, John Spada

Committee Chairs and Other Members in Attendance: Nancy Liscow, Mike Mueller, Dee Leatherbury, John Calder, Paul Nowakowski, Cindy Nowakowski, Sue Lang and Beat Lehmann

Members Absent: Jay Fuchs

Call to Order: At 6:30 pm, Peggy Parys called the meeting to order.

February Minutes Review: Minutes from the February 4th meeting had been distributed to the Officers and Directors prior to the March meeting. Julia Minor moved and Mike Muhlbauer seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Andy Liscow distributed copies of the February Financial Report to those who had not received a copy prior to the meeting. Andy reported that 4 new members had joined the association, and the GBAI income and expenses were in line with expectations. Steve Oglethorpe moved and George Leatherbury seconded the motion to approve the Treasurers report. Motion approved.

Update on Flamingo Ditch: Beat Lehmann made a presentation to the Board regarding the storm water engineering problems in the Golden Beach area. Flooding in the Flamingo Ditch has been occurring on a regular basis and has become a safety concern. In October 2024, the City Manager signed a contract with Coastal Protection Engineering (CPE) to conduct a study to assess ways to reduce or stop the flooding of the Flamingo Ditch. On March 11, CPE is presenting a mid-project update to the City Council, without making any recommendations. A discussion followed with Tim Pederson suggesting to keep applying pressure to the city to pursue remedies to the Flamingo ditch flooding. Sue Lang did submit a grant request on behalf of the city. GBAI members were encouraged to attend the March 11th City Council meeting and speak about their concerns with the flooding issues. Currently, the Flamingo ditch is not on the project list for the city.

Social Committee: Dee Leatherbury reported that approximately 70 people were in attendance for the February Soup Event and they enjoyed the great music and a beautiful sunset. As of this date, 63 people have signed up for the Corned Beef and Cabbage event to be held on March 15th. April 5th is the date for Taco Night.

Membership: Margot Urmano had no report; but, did mention that she responded to questions with a new member and referred them to the GBAI website

Elections: Mike Mueller had no report.

Beach Access: John Calder reported that there was a vote at the February Social Event and members present at the social were asked to vote on their favorite color to re-paint the northwest wall of the Beach Access. The paint color with the most votes was “Light Buff”, and repainting the wall will be scheduled. Ocean Sands reported they recently had some vandalization and may put up more cameras to protect their property.

Website: Sandi Knepp updated all the newsletters and minutes on the GBAI website. Sandi is looking into finding a better way to locate membership applications and a possible link to the home page.

Street Captains: Nancy Liscow reported that there are several new members

Volunteerism: Julia Paulucci will be coordinating the Food Drive and Steve Oglethorpe will write an article promoting the drive in the February GBAI newsletter. The start of collection will be on March 12th. It was suggested that the list of resources for repairs be posted at the Beach access, the website, and/or the newsletter.

New Business: Sandi Knepp expressed concerns about speeding in Golden Beach. It was decided to table this issue for now and focus on the Flamingo ditch.

Adjournment: George Leatherbury moved and Steve Oglethorpe seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Calder, Secretary

Next Meeting: April 1st