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**Minutes of the Lauderdale Isles Civic Improvement Association Board Meeting**

**January 18, 2024 via ZOOM**

Earl Prizlee started the meeting at 7:00.

In attendance: Earl Prizlee, Geoff Rames, Diana Steeger, Karen Rames, Dick Cahoun, Dawn Hannah, Aynsley Geramanis, Julie Gordon, Joanne Kratky, Trent Simpson, Andrew Silverman and Glo Knowles. Not in attendance: Jackie Zumwalt, Penny Shea, Savita Baboulal.

Earl asked to approve the October 19 and November 16 meeting minutes. Dick made the motion, Dawn second and all are in favor.

The October, November and December Treasurer’s reports were reviewed. Dawn gave a motion to approve, Dick second, and all approved. Diana is doing a great job.

Geoff welcomed our guest from Andros Lane, Glo Knowles, who was voted unanimously as our new Duck Key Lane rep.

Earl would like to keep all minutes, documents and information for the LICIA Board on a Google drive. We need a repository to keep all of our documents including those that are in the storage unit in boxes. To be further discussed and who will help scan and organize so the Executive Board can have access.

FLPD: Officer Jackson provided the crime stats. From December to present, there were only 2 instances. A car windshield was broken and there was an auto burglary on Key Largo lane.

Earl asked Officer to follow up and let him know who is on patrol at night, as he feels we need more police presence as people are walking and driving around at night looking for opportunities to commit crimes. She will email him the contact info. Joann mentioned the fire on Nassau Lane.

Regarding traffic calming, the speed reading signs on Riverland Road will be rotated to better capture the speed of the cars approaching the speed sign. Joann commented that the eastbound traffic on Riverland Road has slowed down due to the speed signs. Diana mentioned that they are still being blocked from driving onto Riverland Road from Andros Lane by school traffic. Earl said Commissioner Sturman needs to get involved in this issue and resolve once and for all.

Code Compliance: An officer was not available tonight to attend our call so no report.

Earl mentioned Code Compliance found many issues with the “Ukraine” house on Key Largo Lane and the cars are gone but it is very messy. Aynsley mentioned the online reporting that is available. She has had great success with this. The issue she noted was addressed in 2 hours, Code arrived and cited them. Geoff mentioned there is a new phone number dedicated to vacation rentals and it is 800-685-7543. Joann mentioned a 2nd sunken vessel was removed from the river by the apartments, not far from the graffiti boat, so great news.

Name change to Riverland Woods Park: On January 3, Earl sent an email to all Board members asking if we all approve of him sending a formal letter to The City stating that LICIA is requesting the name change from “Riverland Woods Park” to “Lauderdale Isles Landing”. Everyone responded and approved of the letter. Geoff sent a picture to everyone of the sign that is in the park advising of the name change request. Geoff and Earl met with the Marine Department to ask about expanding the boat ramp and launch area. They mentioned including floating docks. Was well received and more info to come. Next step was to issue a formal letter to expand the boat ramp. Board took a vote and unanimously voted yes for Geoff and Earl to write a letter on our behalf.

Community Center: Earl advised he and Geoff met with the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board on January 24 and requested to approve using the money in the Parks Bond for this new community center. That Board unanimously approved the request.

Geoff gave thanks to Dawn, Dick, Joann, Rich, Karen and Diana for their newsletter articles. Glo would like to advertise in the Feb newsletter.

Earl would like to try a Zoom call for the next General Meeting rather than meeting in person to see if more people will attend. February 22 is the date for this meeting, and we will coordinate the set up and procedures for the Zoom call. Geoff confirmed he added the Zoom meeting info to the Feb newsletter and we will revise the lane signs to include this information. Geoff and Earl will invite Commission Sturman to join us via Zoom as our guest and to answer questions and provide updates for our neighborhood.

Dawn will update the meeting info on our website.

With no additional business to discuss and no questions, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Rames, Secretary