

Burnt Store Isles Association Board of Directors Meeting

Zoom Conference Call

May 1, 2020

Called to Order 9:00 a.m.

1. UPDATE: PUNTA GORDA POLICY DEPARTMENT – CHIEF PAM DAVIS

The police department placed a radar trailer on Tripoli to help control speeding. Over a 35 hour time period there were 2,926 vehicles with 9.5% of those vehicles exceeding the speed limit. New speed limit signs have been posted around BSI.

With regard to crime trends, scams continue to be a problem. Also thefts into unlocked cars is still going on. Please remember to LOCK YOUR CAR.

2. UPDATE: MAYOR NANCY PRAFKE

Starting Monday some of the City's restrictions due to the Covid outbreak will be relaxed. Restaurants will be allowed to open with an occupancy limit indoors to 25% and outdoor limited to social distancing guidelines. Retail shops will also be allowed to open with the 25% occupancy restrictions. City parks will be opened, but limited to social distancing, no group over 10 people and no use of pavilions and park benches. The tennis courts will remain closed until all Charlotte County tennis courts open. The pickle ball courts will not be open until the Pickle Plex opens theirs. The dog parks and basketball courts will remain closed for now. Also the Ponce beach will remain closed, but the park will be open with same restrictions as the other parks.

3. ROLL CALL

Officers Present

Bill Courtney, President
Faith Ferris, Vice President
Bill Page, Treasurer
Libby Strong, Secretary

Directors Present

Rick Allen, Community Standards
Jenny Anderson, E Communications
Joe Meyer, Legal Liaison
Ken Williams, Membership

CJ Metcalfe, Neighborhood Security
Mary Boeringer, Planning
Donna Nowak, Social
Mary Ann Gilroy, Special Projects

Ian Milne, Past President

A quorum has been established.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Faith Ferris moved and CJ Metcalfe seconded the approval of the minutes dated April 3, 2020. Motion carried.

5. OFFICER'S REPORTS

President – Bill Courtney

Bill extended a thank you to all of the Board Members and Underground Committee Members for their hard work over the years on the underground initiative. The votes were counted with 1248 ballots mailed, 932 returned and counted. The vote was 181 Yes and 751 No. **Libby Strong moved and Faith Ferris seconded that the Board accept the results of the ballot and recommend to the City Council to not pursue underground wiring for BSI. Bill Courtney will write a letter to the City Council advising them of our action. Motion Carried.**

Vice President – Faith Ferris

Reviewed the current BSIA dock Deed Restriction. City Ordinance , Section 6-6, page 6-3, Paragraph9(c) 01(b) reads in part..."Freestanding concrete docks protruding no more than ten (10) feet waterward from the seawall". BSIA Deed Restrictions state that docks could not exceed 8' in length. **Faith Ferris moved and Libby Strong seconded to adopt the Policy/Procedure to allow for a waiver to match the City ordinance. The motion was amended to add the Ordinance description stated above to the Policy/Procedure. Libby Strong moved and Donna Nowak seconded approval of the amended motion. Motion passed.**

Treasurer - Bill Page

Bill reviewed the financials for BSIA. Currently we have 495 paid members of the Association.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- **Audit Committee for Financials** – will review at the June meeting.

- **Additional Go Daddy email addresses** – The question was asked as to whether we should change how Board Members receive and answer emails by using dedicated email addresses obtained from Outlook.com. Nothing was decided, but we will consider options at our June meeting.
- **Traffic measures update** – Crosswalks have been repainted and new speed limit signs have been placed throughout the neighborhood.
- **Request for personal delivery of solicitation or canvassing material –CJ Metcalfe moved, seconded by Bill Page to request a change in city code regarding solicitation stating that all delivery of solicitation or canvassing must be delivered to the resident in person.** City Council to take up this at their May 20th meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Community Standards – Rick Allen

- Rick has seen a decrease in activity over the past month. He has only received 2 Architectural Change Forms.
- The City has imposed a moratorium on roof cleaning until after the Covid crisis passes.
- Bill Courtney requested that Rick put a reminder in the July Newsletter of our requirements to file an Architectural Change Form with the Association before implementing any changes to the exterior of your home.
- Rick is going to give the Punta Gorda City Building Department a form letter that can be given to all BSI applicants applying for permits reminding the owner that they must check with the BSI Deed Restrictions BEFORE starting any project. Mayor Nancy Prafke checked with the department and there should not be a problem getting this done. Rick, Faith and Bill Courtney will work together to craft a letter for this purpose.
- Residents of BSI can report any code violations to the City of Punta Gorda's Code Compliance Department at 941-575-3352. Otherwise, Rick can be contacted and he will take care of it for BSIA Members.

Communication – Jenny Anderson

Jenny is going to work with Ken Williams to determine which past members should be deleted from the rolls.

Legal Liaison – Joe Meyer

Joe, Bill Courtney and Rick Allen are going to review the differences between City Code and BSI Deed Restrictions. They will then put that into a document for future reference. They will also add a note describing how the current Board is going to enforce restrictions.

Membership – Ken Williams

Ken has been sending letters to all new residents of BSI. His mailings are lagging behind because the official records are slow to post due to the Covid crisis. He will be continuing his efforts.

Neighborhood Security – CJ Metcalf

CJ has been contacted by the PGPD regarding our security cameras. The police department wanted to make sure our cameras are operational. She was happy to report they were. CJ also thanked the Board for funding the security camera upgrades.

Planning – Mary Boeringer

Nothing to report

Social –Donna Nowak

BSIA will be sponsoring a Food Drive on Saturday May 2nd on the corner of Tripoli and Monaco. All other social activities are on hold until we have further guidance from the City of Punta Gorda regarding Covid restrictions.

Special Projects - Mary Ann Gilroy

Shredder Day was cancelled. We will discuss another date during our June meeting.

Past President – Ian Milne

Business cards for BSIA Board Members that requested them will be available at the Food Drive on Saturday. Please come by to pick them up.

9. PUBLISHER REPORTS

Newsletter Genny Ramachandran – Next Newsletter will go out in July. Genny will let the Board know the deadline to submit articles.

Directory – Janice Kelley – nothing to report

10. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 am.

Respectfully submitted by Libby Strong, Secretary