

BSIA Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, February 5, 2016

Officers Present: John Gruca, President Ian Milne, Vice President Janie Dunn, Secretary

Not Present: Connie Higgins, Treasurer

Directors Present: Kathy Williamson, Security Su Miscia, Social Don Hallman, E-Communication

Doug Paquin, Special Projects John Forr, Planning Mirko Vicko, Legal Liaison

Melissa Lockhart, Standards Lori Gurr, Membership

Visitors: Mark: Gene Murtha Bob Fritz

The BSIA Board of Directors Meeting on Friday, February 5, 2016 was called to order by President John Gruca at 9:00am. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John G. and recited by all.

John Gruca expressed condolences and prayers for the family of Mary Lou Ducasse, a long-time resident of BSI.

Roll call was held to account for Officers and Directors present, as noted above. John G. asked for any objections to the January 8, 2016 minutes; there were no objections. Su M. moved to accept the minutes and Melissa L. seconded the motion. The minutes were approved and Don H. will publish them on the BSIA website.

President's Report

John G. is attending Citizens Academy which he highly recommends. He provided a flyer from PG Fire Dept. listing many services they provide free to residents, including replacing smoke alarm batteries (bought by the homeowner). Mirko V. commented he used this service 2 weeks ago and found the experience to be very positive. John also pointed out residents need carbon monoxide detectors in garages. The Fire Dept. also provides access to proper disposal of medication and needles at the firehouse and will teach CPR classes at no charge. Su M. questioned the interest in a CPR class for BSI; she offered to look into it further. See the "Answer Man" Article in the Charlotte Sun on Monday, 2/8/16, page 10 for additional helpful information.

John G., Ian M. and Kathy W. met with a camera installation company salesman to discuss security cameras. They reviewed possible locations in BSI and were surprised to learn the camera proposed may not record a license plate. Other cameras are available with this capability, but at significantly higher cost. The current estimate for cameras, additional wiring and once a year maintenance was \$12,000. The service would benefit all 1350 households, but only 500 are members of BSIA. He suggested we need many more residents to participate in financing the security cameras, and we need more investigation. John G. suggested we consider putting security cameras on hold, until more information is available, and focus on landscaping improvements for the present. The motion was made by Su M. and seconded by Ian M, and approved by all.

Vice President's Report

Ian M. reports he, John F. and Doug P. met with Public Works to discuss the entryway monuments. The city believes the structures were built on concrete, which does not allow plants and trees sufficient soil. Their department has available a "design studio" to help us develop a plan for landscaping. They will be getting back to us with estimates and answers to questions raised at that meeting. Don H. asked if it would be possible to add a BSIA Architectural Committee sign-off inside the code box required for every construction site? Ian M. said now he finds contractors names by checking the code box and Punta Gorda City would need to approved adding a sign-off section for BSIA.

Membership 's Report

Lori G. reported the current membership is at 525; she credits the emails from Don H. for getting the word out to new people. She clarified the guidelines for free membership as, 1 year for new residents, and 2 years for those building a new home. The 2016 Directory is due out in March; Charlie Counsel has worked diligently for years finding advertisers, which off-sets the cost of the Directory. He is looking for someone to take his place with that endeavor. Su M. said the social committee discussed the need for name tags to allow better name recognition at events, and would like the Membership Committee to reconsider doing name tags. Lori G. said she made the decision to stop doing name tags, unless requested, due to the high cost and questionable effectiveness. She explained this would be her last day as Director; she is turning the position over to Nancy Granum, a current member of the committee. John G. thanked Lori G. for all her hard work on behalf of BSIA. A motion to accept Nancy Granum as Membership Director was made by Doug P., seconded by Don H. and approved by all.

Treasurer's Report

John G. gave the report for Connie H. and a copy was previously provided via email. A motion to accept was made by Melissa L., seconded by Kathy W. and approved by all.

Special Project's Report

Doug P. said he would recommend a semi-permanent sign system for the entrances that could be used for multiple events, in lieu of purchasing a new sign each time for \$200. He will get estimates and report back to the Board. Also, Doug P. will make arrangements for a "Shredder Day", to be scheduled by the end of April.

Social Director's Report

Su M. said the Wicked Dolphin Rum Tour on January 29 had 11 participants, many meeting for the first time. Darts at the Ice House, held on Wed, February 2, sold out in 36 hours with 64 people attending. She hopes to schedule 2 of those events next year. The February Mixer has a Pre-Super Bowl theme tonight. The next mixer is March 4 at TICC.

Thirty-eight residents have signed up to participate in the Semi-Annual Yard/Garage Sale on Saturday, February 13 from 7:30am to 3:00pm. Site maps will be available at the homes and also, the Burnt Store Grill. Su M. wants to use balloons and estimates the total expense to be \$100. Mirko V. made a motion to approve, Ian M. seconded and all approved.

The BSIA Annual Picnic on Saturday, March 12 at Ponce De Leon Park from 11:30am to 3:00pm will include hot dogs, hamburgers, and buns; members will be asked to bring beverages and side dishes to share. Volunteers are needed to assist; she will check with the Boat Club to see how they may be

involved. John G. is in charge of cooking and John F. will assist. The committee needs 2 canopy tents; most of the purchases for the picnic are being made at Cheney Brothers' new store. A change this year is live entertainment by Monty and Rayla, who are volunteering their time. Further details will be included on BSIA email.

The General BSIA Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8 at BS Presbyterian Church; John G. plans to ask speakers to tighten-up presentations so everyone gets heard; and the guest speaker, who is yet to be determined, will speak after those presentations.

Special Project's Report

Don P. discussed work needed on the entrance islands; he will put together a list of concerns to be submitted to John G.

Security's Report

Kathy W. reports a group of teens were dropped off near her home; they proceeded to go door-to-door selling magazines. The police were notified and escorted the teens out to the neighborhood because they had no permit.

Additional Questions

Bob Fritz had a question about the very large electric boxes proposed for underground wiring, citing their location as his "only problem with underground wiring". John G. said this was something the survey could answer. John F. added the boxes only make noise when they need to be replaced.

Su M. had a question on behalf of Mondovi Condo owners concerning the status of a vacant lot next to the condos. John G. offered to research the question and get back to her.

Ian M. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Doug P. and approved by all.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Dunn

Secretary