

Minutes of the Lauderdale Isles Civic Improvement Association Board of Trustees Meeting July 17,2014

Attendance

Executive Committee

Dirk Lowry, President P
Chad Hodder, V.P. P
Keith Lindgren, Treas. A
Geoff Rames, Sec'y P

Board of Trustees:

Bill Gray, Andros Lane P
Patrice DelGrosso, Bimini Lane A
Marie Love, Cat Cay Lane A
Ryan St. George, Duck Key Lane P
Pat Coba, Flamingo Lane A
Yelka Mikolji, Gulfstream Lane A
Jackie Zumwalt, Key Largo Lane P
Gina Garcia, Marathon Lane P
Harriet Hodgson, Nassau Lane A
Eva Santiago, Okeechobee Lane A
Rich Thompson, Sugarloaf Lane A
Ruth Ann Lindgren, Tortugas Lane P
Bud Bracey, Whale Harbor Lane A

The meeting was called to order by President Lowry at 7:05pm

1. FLPD Report: Officer J. Wilson: One residential burglary attempt(gate lock broken) this month, at night. FLPD Marine Patrol has been issuing warnings in our area. Two Vehicle burglaries occurred (one was in the park): in both cases, purses were left on passenger seat, at nite. Chad Hodder requested that FLPD watch a house on Cat Cay under construction, with questionable construction workers. Ryan St George requested that FLPD keep an eye on a vacant house on Duck Key Lane. Effective August 1, the new non-emergency number for FLPD will be 954-764-HELP. Smart Water was discussed.
2. Treasurer's Report: Ruth Ann Lindgren reported that the current balance of the account is \$24,552.99
3. Official appointment of Jackie Zumwalt as Trustee for Key Largo Lane: M: Bill Gray 2nd: Gina Garcia. Unanimously approved
4. Approval of minutes for June 19 Trustee Board meeting: M: Ruth Ann Lindgren 2nd: Bill Gray. Unanimously approved
5. Committee Reports: Beautification Committee: None. Airport Committee: None Welcome Committee: No trustee has requested kits yet. Jackie Zumwalt said she would provide monthly updates of new home sales for the trustees.
6. Tamper-free License Plate Bolts: Officer Wilson returned and provided five of these kits. They would be added to the Welcome Kits.
7. Website Update: Chad Hodder advised that material is uploaded to the website as soon as it is received. Traffic on the site has been low.
8. LIWMD Update: No alligators sighted recently. Dredging permits are being processed for our canal dredging project. Unsanitary and derelict boats will be targeted by the City again soon. Derelict vessels were discussed, including one on Andros Lane. The topic of dilapidated docks was discussed and was determined to be an issue
9. All Aboard Florida will be at the August General Meeting. Dirk discussed some emails he had received from neighbors about AAF. It was decided that the Environmental Impact Statement needs to be issued before taking any real action. A lively discussion ensued. Many agreed with Ryan St. George that the boat yards on the river in our area will never allow their businesses to be impeded by the AAF railroad bridge, and their influence and clout was greater than that of all the Homeowner's Associations combined. Ruth Ann summed it up nicely, "Do you think we're being railroaded?" (nice one!)
10. September Waterway Cleanup- The cleanup is scheduled for Saturday September 20, at the Yacht Club. LIWMD, LICIA & LIYC are sponsoring the event. A planning meeting is scheduled for next week. Registration will be required.
11. Trash at the bus stop(Nassau Lane & Riverland Road): Harriet Hodgson had brought up this issue at the last meeting. Geoff Rames had called Broward County Transit about the situation. It will be an uphill battle to get Transit to install a garbage can at the stop. It was agreed that it would be necessary to take lots of pictures of the trash there in order to continue to pursue it. Remarkably, the amount of trash at the bus stop had diminished recently.
12. House Numbers: Lots of people have posted the house numbers behind their houses. It was suggested to mention this in the newsletter again.
13. Dues: The number of people who have paid their dues this year is very low. It was suggested to try using "sign-in cards" at LICIA General Meetings. These cards would ask if the attendee has paid their LICIA dues this year in order to "remind" them about it. It was also decided to ask if they would like to receive the LICIA Newsletter as an e-copy. The secretary would create this sign-in card.
14. Home Owners Association: It was suggested to explore creating a true HOA in Lauderdale Isles in order to address unsightly properties. This idea was tabled. Further discussion of properties in poor condition ensued. It was agreed that Code Enforcement should be called to handle such issues.

There being no further business before the board, the motion to adjourn was made: M: Chad Hodder, 2nd: Bill Gray. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Geoff Rames
Secretary, LICIA