# Saratoga at Lely Resort Board of Director's Meeting Approved February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Minutes

**Call To Order**: Bobby Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:35PM. Board Members: Bobby Kelly, Hal Bardon, John Jensen and Cynthia Knight were present. Property Manager Bonita Vandall was present.

#### Quorum: Established

**Approve Agenda**: Notice/Agenda was posted accordingly on clubhouse bulletin board and via e mail. A motion was made by Bobby Kelly and seconded by John Jensen to approve the agenda as posted. None opposed ó Motion carried.

**Minutes:** A motion made by Bobby Kelly and seconded by Cynthia Knight to approve the meeting minutes of January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 as corrected. None opposed ó Motion carried.

## President's Report: (Bobby Kelly)

A contract with Morleyøs Towing Service was signed. With the appropriate signage in place, it will now be possible to enforce our bylaws. However, there is nothing in the documents to prohibit owners from parking in those spaces for any length of time. Contact Property Manager if there is a problem.

There is a renewed contract with our attorney.

Property Manager has been asked to look into the Reviewed Financial Statement and report if an audit is more informative.

Masters Association Meeting is Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at the South Regional Library. All can attend

## Treasurer's Report: (Hal Bardon)

Year end financials were dispersed. They are available to owners upon request.

First internal financials were distributed to Board Members

There were 3 delinquent owners for fees in January. Two have paid up. A final demand letter will be sent to owner (unit 601).

Motion made Bobby Kelly and seconded by Cynthia Knight to approve Treasurer Report ó None opposed ó Motion carried.

## Secretary's Report (John Jensen)

No report

## Director's Report (Cynthia Knight)

Report on the Clubhouse Remodel

Committee of 8 has met 3 times in which the proposed plan was finalized with a list of specs. Requests for bids have been sent out.

## **Director's Report** (Jerry Doherty)

No report

## Landscape Committee (Bob Kelley and John Ruscito)

Long time volunteers Len and Jan Hrdlicka are unable to continue their work for our community. The Hrdlickas are original owners and longtime volunteers. Speaking for all residents, Thank You for your work, your expertise, and your dedication to our community.

Welcome to landscape volunteer, Lila Ford, who will be deadheading our beautiful Germaniums.

Volunteer Mike Sullivan arranged, at no cost, evaluation of the Saratoga Landscape from the Education Naples Botanical Gardens Director, Chad Washburn. Chad was complementary of our landscape and the ponds saying our ponds and lakeside are the best looking community ponds he has seen in the area. He also was complimentary of our landscape in general and agrees with the landscape philosophy used in the Ficus replacement project.

We asked for his suggestion in several areas including additional plantings, trees, replacements for other Ficus and Awabuki screens, the front entrance, Saratoga Boulevard, and previously placed lakeside beds. His

suggestions are being considered in our ongoing landscape planning. Research continues on additional lakeside plantings awaiting the Spring planting season.

Additional white stone have been placed at the base of the 7 street signs. Armadillo and other holes filled. Special weed treatment (Fuslaide) to control the grass at the Asian Jasmine plantings at the Clubhouse has begun.

A sturdy support was placed at the Bougainvillea bed across from the club house. The intent is to support the lift of the Bougainvillea off the Gold Mound plants and encourage colorful blooms on both the front and back of this bed. The support should not be visible as the Bougainvillea grow.

Irrigation: Co-chairs accompanied landscape contractor personnel on an irrigation wet check. Sprinkler heads have been turned off in wet areas (between building 2 &3, 7 & 8, 9 & 10, 21 & 22). Sprinkler positions adjusted, changed, heads raised, heads lowered. In an effort to reduce over spray and conserve water, sprinkler head extensions were replaced with HI-Lo heads and moved away from the building sides and lanai areas on four 'test' buildings. Theses heads spray low (towards the building plantings and higher-towards the lawn. It has been determined that all raised heads along the building sides and lanais will be replaced with HI-LO heads. Residents are reminded that windy days will continue. Wet areas and overspray continued to be monitored. Several irrigation control box covers have been replaced. This project continues. Several Irrigation leaks including cracked pipes, broken heads, broken valves and seals have been repaired or replaced. Paver repairs have been made at several buildings.

#### Social Committee (Peggy Kent)

Planned events have been well attended. Final events for the season will take place in March

#### **Communications Committee** (Diane Jensen)

The 2014 community directories are now available. This year we have more than 90% of the residents in the directory, thanks to the outstanding efforts of John Ruscito who contacted many of the residents who did not submit forms. Helping this year with the directories was Milli Macy, who was involved with the proofreading. We could not have had the directories available tonight without her help. The Committee will schedule several more times for them to be picked up. The first directory is free to each unit owner. Additional copies are available for \$2.75 each. It will be \$1 more if it has to be mailed. In the last 2 years we@ve had about 12 more new residents. The directory has been published every other year because the real estate market was so sluggish. But should it continue at this pace, my recommendation would be to publish a directory annually. There is a program, Google Forms, which will send a questionnaire via email. The responses will automatically go into a spreadsheet, which will cut down on our proofreading. To better understand how this works, a sample form will be sent to each of the board members to complete. With responses, I@l share with you what the spreadsheet looks like to get a better idea of how this would work.

Focus now will be on our website. We have our new pet of the month which will debut Saturday.

## Pool/Clubhouse Committee (Jerry Knight)

No report

## Lakes Committee (Bobby Kelly liaison)

Bobby Kelly made a motion and John Jensen seconded to nominate Mike Sullivan as chairperson. All were in favor. Motion carried

## Association Member Forum (15 Minutes)

Unit Owner (704) voiced displeasure about the removal of hedges stating that the owners did not have input into this part of the Landscape Plan and it took away privacy and could possibly reduce property values. She requested that the Board look into replacing the hedges with pest resistant hedges.

Unit Owner (202) expressed appreciation for the Communication Committees work on the Directory and Website as well as the Social Committees planned events.

## Managers' Report (Bonita Vandall)

Roof leaks have been reported. The Property manager will look into this matter.

The large lake fountain next to the PlayersøClub is Saratogaøs maintenance responsibility. This will be added to the Saratoga Maintenance Contract.

Blastmasters cleaned roofs in February. Issues were addressed about skylight leaking with owners and vendor.

Skimmer basket was replaced at the pool. A lockcover will be placed on the pool heater thermostat.

#### **Old Business**

a) Status of Proposals for Handrails by Step at South Entrance to Pool Apron Request Bonita Vandall use Resort Management personnel to complete this project. She will report back to the board at the next meeting on this action.

#### **New Business**

a) Skylight Roof Cleaning Precautions

John Jensen made a motion and seconded by Hal Bardon for Bids to be submitted to recaulk skylights on the buildings. According to the Associationøs documents, skylights are considered windows and the homeowner is responsible for them.

Bonita Vandall will submit info at the next Board Meeting.

b) Request for 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Opinion Re: Roof Reserve Compliance with Chapter 718:112(f) 2 FL Statutes A motion was made by Bobby Kelly and seconded by John Jensen to consider obtaining a third party opinion about the Associationøs Reserves. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bobby Kelly made a motion and John Jensen seconded to table this matter until the next meeting in order to obtain more information. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items: Third Party Report on Association & Reserves

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Adjournment: Motion made by Bobby Kelly and seconded by Hal Bardon to adjourn the meeting ó None opposed ó Motion carried.

Submitted by Jan Finander Scott, Recording Secretary