Lido Key Residents Association Board Meeting December 1, 2023

Carl called meeting to order at 8:30. A quorum was established.

Present: Members- Carl Shoffstall, Kathy Kussy, Bruce Abramowitz, Jessie Hayre, Diane Sterner, and Jim Ludwig

and Jim Ludwig

Members Absent: Jay Elsasser, Scott Ashby, Tim Malaney, Heidi Brandt, Beth Dilworth

Also Present: Debbie Comer

<u>Presidents Report</u> (Carl):

Carl reported that:

- The tree lighting at the circle is tonight at 5:30.
- The County commission voted 4-1 to move forward to change the comp plan for a density change that would allow for new building to have more units on Siesta Key.
- Pat Nicosia is working with the Florida Studio Theatre to arrange a Lido Key night in January
- Traffic back up on the circle is a result of FPL putting up new poles. We will try to find out what their schedule is for the holiday.

<u>Treasurer Report (Jim):</u>

Jim reported the following LKRA account balances:

Operating account: \$29,430.65 Fund account: \$20,804.92

Membership (Jim):

The current membership is:

Households: 364 Members: 600 Other: 39

66 households have paid for 2024

Secretary Report (Kathy):

Three members have expressed interest in running for the LKRA Board. We have 1 opening. Kathy will contact the 3 people and report back about putting 1 on the board and asking 1 to wait until the anticipated opening occurs.

Kathy has asked Emily at the Resort to let us know cost for breakfast in February. She will try to get that number to Jim before December 10 so the website can be set up to sell tickets. The board discussed the need to get further information about an endowment for the scholarship. We will discuss forming a new scholarship committee in February.

Programs Report:

November: Code enforcement on the Island January: Pat Robinson, deputy city manager

February: Breakfast meeting - Educational division of Mote

March: Dave Tomasco – Sarasota Estuary

April: History of Native Americans in Sarasota (Jessie is working with John McCarthy)

Social Committee (Kathy):

The meet and greet is next Tuesday, December 12. The code this month is 1222. Jim will send this out in the reminder email.

Diane is meeting with Emily at the resort on the menu for this year's beach party. She would like to begin selling tickets in January.

<u>Coalition of City Neighborhoods Association – CCNA (Scott):</u>

This group meets the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 at the Bayfront Center. The 110 items collected from neighborhood leaders at the roundtable discussion are on the website.

Newsletter (Bruce):

The next newsletter will go out after the February Breakfast meeting.

New Business:

Kathy moved and Diane seconded a motion to donate \$500 to the Food Bank for the Holiday season. It was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned 9:18.