

Lido Key Residents Association Membership Meeting - June 18, 2021

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:00. He thanked Ocean Properties for the meeting space and reminded members that there would be a membership meeting following the presentations.

PROGRAM

Gavin Meshad spoke on the proposed hotel and grocery store on St Armands. Gavin said their proposed plan addressed the top three recommendations from a 2008 study by a group composed of members representing the city and St Armands – a national retailer, a boutique hotel, and a boutique grocery. Their proposal to the city to develop the parking area behind Alvins would include a 95 room hotel, a 15,000 foot market, 6 residential townhomes, a pool area, public restrooms, and a return of all the parking areas. They are currently sharing their vision to start a discussion to see if the city wants to move forward.

Jeff Koffman spoke on the proposed carousel in St Armands Park. The carousel would be located in the center of the circle in an area that is not used during special events and carry on the circus theme.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Presidents Report

Carl announced that:

- Boat races would begin this weekend,
- The funding for lights on Ben Franklin Dr. was approved by the city commission. Due to maintenance and cost issues they elected to use brushed aluminum.
- The rezoning request at the Coquina and Gulf Beach properties was approved by the commission,
- Selby Gardens broke ground on their new expansion,
- Roundabout is under full construction,
- Meetings will be going live in October, and
- SCAT will now provide on demand service for public transportation. You can google public transportation in Sarasota for further information. You can call for service 25 minutes ahead of time at 941-300-1553.

Treasurer Report

We have a balance of \$30,385.18 in the regular account and \$4,698.03 in the legal account.

Programs Report

Bill Wadill from the Bay Project will be the speaker for our August meeting,

Social Committee Report

As we move live to membership meetings in October, we are also working with the Holiday Inn to continue our meet and greets.

Beach Update

Jay reported that we are responding to a discovery request regarding payment from Siesta for legal fees. The groins are complete. The sacrificial sand will start to uncover them as expected. He also announced that Lido Beach was named as one of three top beaches in the country for its restoration of the beach.

Pool Pavilion

The pool is now open from Tuesday thru Sunday. Payment is by credit card or a beach pass only.

Membership

Membership is currently at 478 households, 686 individual members. If you are not getting regular email notices, go to the website under "contact us" and send us your email address.

CCNA report

Scott updated the association on issues discussed at the neighborhood association. He noted that there seemed to be better communication between the city and the county and announced that Osprey is now open.

Newsletter

The next newsletter will be going out the end of July.

Website

The website is updated.

Old Business:

The committee working on the hotel houses is continuing to work with the city to provide easier, better access to the city website. Soon there will be an app available to click to fix.

New Business:

Camille encouraged participation in a donation drive for Children First, Inc. Hygiene items and donations can be dropped off at the Michael Saunders office.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20.

The next meeting will be August 21, 2021 via Zoom