

Lido Beach Residents Association
General Meeting - March 2019

Tim Malaney called the meeting to order at 10:00. He introduced the LKRA Board members and thanked Ocean Properties for the meeting space and reminded residents that there would be a business meeting following the program. He then introduced this month's speaker Stevie Freeman-Monte, the Sustainability Manager for the City of Sarasota

Program

Stevie Freeman-Monte presented a very informational program focusing on the city's financially responsible projects and plans to reduce harmful environmental effects.

Projects and initiatives

- Living Seawall - using new technology to create soft seawalls with 50-year life span
- Neighborhood Park Community Compost Program - programs to place neighborhood compost containers in local parks and also support commercial composting
- Ready for 100% energy conservation - working with FPL on a community solar project city wide
- Community Canopy Program - free trees to residents
- Recycling Education and Compliance for Businesses - education and visits to local businesses to ensure recycling as required
- Nutrient Management - looking at ways to reduce harmful effects to bay has become a priority with increased red tide

Information and a fun educational game provided residents with the opportunity to further understand recycling efforts necessary for using the 15,000 new carts in Sarasota. It is important not to contaminate the recycling containers.

Membership Meeting

Presidents Report (Carl)

Tim Malaney congratulated the work of the Mari Gras committee. \$18,000 was raised to support the beach project. He informed the members that the Breakfast meeting, usually held in January will be moved to February next year.

Treasurers Report (Tim)

Tim Malaney reported a balance of \$12,273 in our regular account.

Program Report (Beth)

Todd Kerkering will present a program on hurricane preparedness for our last general meeting of the year.

Beach Update (Paul/Jay)

The city has replied to the Siesta Key lawsuit in civil court to provide evidence as to why they should not be required to obtain approval from the Sarasota County Commission for permission to dredge. The federal court case is still in process. A start date for the project is scheduled for October 1. The current sand project is concluded. The good news is that there was more sand in the pass that allowed the city to double back and add 30 additional feet of sand where needed.

Pool Pavilion

Gabe has been given a six-month extension while the city assess the plans for the pavilion.

Membership (Heid)

We currently have 829 members-485 households.

Newsletter (Bruce):

The next Newsletter is scheduled for late April

Website (Jessie):

The website is in the process of being updated.

New Business

A request was made to explore to opportunity to audio tape the general meeting programs

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.