

Lido Beach Residents Association
General Meeting – February 2019

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:05. He 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 Jeff Lahurd, Sarasota historian.

Program

Jeff Lahurd presented a very informational and entertaining program: Sarasota History from the Scott Colony through the roaring 20's. Using historical pictures and information members got a glimpse of the history of Sarasota, Bird Key and Lido Beach.

Membership Meeting

Presidents Report (Carl)

Carl informed members that the Soiree at the Ritz raised \$60,000 with 125 people attending. He also informed members that there is now paid parking at St Armand's, that North Tamiami traffic will be shifting from the east side to the west side in April, and that there is an Art Show at the Lido Pavilion this weekend.

Elections

Kathy Kussy informed members that there were 7 current members of the board whose terms expire this year: Tim Malaney, Beth Dilworth, Jessie Hayre, Heidi Brandt, Joyce Waterberry, Kim McDonald, and Scott Ashby. She then opened nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Tim Malaney to elect the slate of candidates for a 2-year term of the LKRA Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Bruce Abramowitz. The motion passed unanimously.

Social Report (Kathy)

Kathy thanked Ocean Properties Holiday Inn for creating an enhanced menu just for our meet and greet events. She also thanked the members who attend regularly and encouraged others to join in on the 2nd Tuesday every month through May (March 12, April 9, and May 14) from 5:00-7:00.

Treasurers Report (Tim)

Tim Malaney reported a balance of \$12,577 in our regular account. Our legal balance has been reduced to below \$100,000 recognizing that this may be short lived.

Program Report (Beth)

The following programs are scheduled for this year:

March – Stevie Freeman Montes – sustainability

April – Todd Kerkering – hurricane preparedness

Beach Update (Paul/Jay)

Siesta Key lawsuit in civil court gave the city 20 days to show why they should not be required to obtain approval from the Sarasota County Commission. They want the city to ask the county for permission to dredge. The federal court case could take another 60 to 90 days. However, an RFP will be going out in March for the dredging project. It is expected that at least three big companies will bid. We are continuing to move forward.

Chris Ziegler, the county commissioner for district 2 again stated that it has been the county commission's position that they would not get involved in the civil suit.

Pool Pavilion

The city commission will discuss the renegotiation of the pavilion at a meeting on February 19th. This item is last on the agenda and should be heard between 3:00 and 4:30.

Fundraiser (Camille)

Camille shared the flier for the Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras fundraiser to be held at the Lido Beach Resort on March 5. Tickets were on sale in the hallway and can also be purchased on the LKRA website. All proceeds from this event will go to the beach fund. We are still looking for donations, sponsors, and items for the silent auction.

Volunteer Committee (Camille)

Camille reminded members that we are still providing assistance to the All Faiths Food Bank on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 1-4. Information is on the website and new volunteers are always welcome.

Membership (Heidi)

Heidi announce that we currently have 912 members. We have had 23 new memberships since the start of the year.

Newsletter (Bruce):

The Newsletter is completed and will be sent out today.

Website (Jessie):

The website is in the process of being updated.

Old Business

Jim Cirillo shared a flier and information about a seminar for flood insurance to be held February 27 from 11:00 to 2:00. The event will be held at the Lido Beach Resort. A buffet will be provided. Attendance is limited to 100 so make your reservation early. Jim can be reached at jcirillo@caiflorida.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.