

LKRA MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
2-17-2018

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:04

Carl then called for the election of board members. Kathy Kussy announced that there were currently four members of the Board whose terms were expiring: Shoffstall, Schwabbe, Abramowitz, and Kussy. Each of these members is running to continue to serve on the Board. Nominations were then open from the general membership. Hearing none, Tim Malaney moved to elect the current members for a 2-year term. The motion was seconded by Nancy Levine. The motion passed.

Carl announced that he will be running for City Commissioner of District 2, introduced the Board members and thanked Ocean Properties for the room and accommodations for this meeting.

**PROGRAM:**

Miranda Lansdale presented information regarding matching grant opportunities (50% county and 50% neighborhood) to create Florida friendly landscapes. City funds may also be used as a match for the county grant. The grant application process takes about 7 months and begins by taking an application seminar. Contact Miranda at [mlansdale@scgov.net](mailto:mlansdale@scgov.net) for further information.

Wilma Holley presented information for creating Florida friendly landscapes. She reviewed the nine key principles that are the cornerstone of this project:

- Right plant, right place
- Water efficiently
- Fertilize appropriately
- Mulch
- Attract wildlife
- Manage yard pests responsibly
- Recycle
- Manage storm runoff
- Protect the waterfront

Florida Yards & Neighborhoods offers workshops and classes, plant and landscape advice and yard recognitions programs as well as online resources and publications. The website for the program office is [fyn.ifas.ufl.edu](http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu). Holly can be reached at [wholley@scgov.net](mailto:wholley@scgov.net).

**MEMERSHIP MEETING:**

Presidents Report (Carl):

- 501C3 status is in the works. A lawyer has been hired to file the paperwork
- Kathy Antunes from WSRL 96.5 did two interviews with Attorney John Patterson about the Lido Pavilion lease. Cindy will sent out the podcast information
- The third traffic lane on 41 is starting, as well as the two roundabouts on 10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- The Ringling Bridge is being painted.
- The Sasaki Group has held several public workshops and meetings with individual groups to see what they would like to see in the Bay front master plan. When they return in April, they will start to have drawings on what the Bay will look like. Please fill out the survey sent to all members.

- The Lido Key Development Group, LLC would like to meet with members of LKRA regarding the Lido Pavilion. They are seeking input on what they are proposing. This will occur around March 1. After that meeting there will be a public meeting at City Hall. We will keep members informed about specific dates and times.

#### Treasurer Report:

Tim Malaney reported a balance in the regular account of \$11,900. He thanked all of those who have contributed to the beach fund. Currently \$226,000 has been contributed. However, \$214,000 has been spent and more bills are still coming.

#### Programs Report:

Bayfront 20:20 will be presenting at our March meeting. The April meeting is still open for suggestions. Members suggested sea level rise and flood mitigation as possible topics. Contact Carl if there are further suggestions.

#### Membership:

Heidi Brandt reported 574 households are members of LKRA. Eighteen (18) new members have joined since January of this year.

#### Beach Update:

Jay Elsasser gave an update on the beach project. We are waiting for official transcripts from the court. We will have thirty (30) days to submit closing arguments. The judge will then have forty-five (45) days to render the order. There may be some monies available from FEMA for “band aid” sand as a temporary fix.

Numerous means are being used to continue to reach out for funding including, online donations on our website, gofundme.com, 50/50 drawings at meet and greet events, and explorations of fund raiser activities though Guardians of Lido. Post cards are being mailed to all non-member Lido Beach residents and Speakers are available to address Lido Beach condo associations. We continue to seek ways to increase involvement from the other side of the bridge

#### Social Committee:

This months meet and greet will be at the Lido Beach Ritz on Tuesday, March 13 from 5-7. A limited menu will be available. The third annual Jazz Concert will be held on March 18 from 4-6.

#### Veggie Market:

The veggie Market at the Pavilion every Thursday from 9-1 is doing very well. Members are supporting this activity in great numbers

#### Coalition of City Neighborhoods Association –CCNA

This group is reviewing city leases to see how they are written.

#### Newsletter:

The newsletter went out last week.

#### New Business:

Information regarding ArmaLido Community News serving St. Armands Key, Lido Key, Bird Key, Coon Key and City Island was distributed. For information email: [Admin@ArmaLido.com](mailto:Admin@ArmaLido.com).

The meeting was adjourned.