

LKRA
General Meeting 2/18/17

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:00 and thanked Ocean Properties for donating the room for our meeting.

Election of Board Members:

Carl shared the names of the current board members up for re-election (Beth Dilworth, Jessie Hayre, Heidi Brandt, and Bruce Abramwitz). The members approved the election of those on the list. John Lambert has informed the board of his decision to resign leaving an open position. Anyone interest in becoming a board member should contact Carl. Kathy Kussy will serve as acting secretary for Mary Moss.

Current events and issues:

- Donations for the shoreline protection are coming in. L.L. Walker, an environmental lawyer, has been secured to represent the association. Meetings are being held between the representatives of Ocean Properties, the Ritz and our legal counsel.
- Meet and Greet for March is scheduled for 5 o'clock, March 17 at the Ritz.
- The Jazz Concert will be held on March 4 at the Pavillion. More information will be sent out via email.

Treasures Report:

Tim Maloney reported \$15,500 in the general account.

The business meeting ended at 10:00.

Community Forum:

Carl set the stage for the community forum:

- Respect one another
- Address the issues
- No personal attacks
- Questions have been established. Each candidate will have 2 minutes to answer. No rebuttals will take place
- Question will be taken from members following the process and the meeting will end at 12:00

The candidates preset (Chapman, Brody, Ahearj-Koch, Gannon, Hyde, Sandstrom and Sterling) addressed the following questions:

1. What biographical information do you want to share and why are you running for the commission?
2. When was the last time you visited Lido Beach?
3. In regards to the shoreline protection project what would you have suggested prior to now, what do your propose now, and what action would you take to protect the beach from future storms?
4. How would you address the traffic back up going from Lido to downtown?

Members of the association raised the following issues for candidates to address:

- Involvement of other communities in Sarasota. This is not just a Lido/Siesta issue
- Stance on implementing parking meters
- Plans for immediate actions to address protecting Lido Beach from any future storms
- Sentiments regarding a round about at Fruitville Rd and 41
- Plans to address the homeless situation

Carl thanked all the candidates for attending this forum. Fred Atkins did not attend.

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