

LKRA MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
3-17-2018

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:00.

Carl thanked Ocean Properties for the room and continental breakfast they provided for this meeting. He also thanked board members.

**PROGRAM:**

Bill Waddill gave an update of the redevelopment planning of the 53 acres on the Bay. This planning phase is being guided by 6 Principles:

- ❖ Aspiration – Imagine the possibilities of the Bay
- ❖ A green & Blue Oasis- Respect and celebration of the natural beauty and promoting environmental health
- ❖ Cultural Vitality – A hub for Sarasota’s art culture and historic legacies
- ❖ An Enlivened Destination – A gathering place for family, friends, and fun
- ❖ Connected and Accessible – A walk able and safe district linking downtown and the bay
- ❖ Economic Sustainability – A financially feasible, sustainable, long-term success

Much information has been provided through numerous groups and surveys. The top three suggestions are that food, music and performance venues and shade trees be provided. Numerous questions were answered about location of buildings, transportation, and parking. In this stage of planning all avenues are being looked at. Three proposals will be available during the week of April 16<sup>th</sup>. These will be presented at three community workshops. A final master plan will be developed the third week in May. On line information will also available on the website at [baysarasota.org](http://baysarasota.org).

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Presidents Report (Carl):

- 501C3 status is in the works. A lawyer has been hired to file the paperwork.
- 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. A third left turn lane has been established on 41.
- The Ringling Bridge painting project is about finished.

Treasurer Report:

Tim Malaney reported a balance in the regular account of \$10,536. Legal fees continue. He urged members to continue to donate and suggest to others who may not have donated.

Programs Report:

Next month representatives from FDOT will be at our meeting to discuss traffic. If you have any suggestions for programs for next year please make this information available to any board member.

Membership:

Heidi Brandt reported that we currently have 989 members.

Beach Update (Jay):

Written formal arguments to the court are in process. It will be 30 to 60 days before the judges’ order. New Pass is being evaluated to see how much sand can be taken for a temporary re-nourishment project.

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 through 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.

Social Committee:

Kathy Kussy announced that the April meet and greet will be at the Lido Pavilion on Tuesday April 10. Please come and say "Thank-you" to Gabe and his crew for the many years that they have donated wonderful meals to us. We will thank him by purchasing our own food and drinks. The third annual Jazz Concert will be held on Saturday, March 24 from 3-5.

Website:

Jessie Hayre is requesting that any member with website expertise who is willing to help update our website contact her.

Philanthropy:

Camille Schwabe reminded members of our need for volunteers the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month at the All Faiths Food Bank.

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.

Newsletter:

Bruce Abromowitz reported that the next newsletter will be out at the end of April. Another one will follow after the boat races.

Old Business:

It was suggested that we use the motto "Save it for the turtles" as a way to promote beach re-nourishment issues. It was also suggested that we post names of all current donors as an expression of thanks to all those who have given to the fund.

Carl responded to questions about the Pavilion indicating that there has been no use of permit filed as yet. He will keep members posted.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Submitted by Kathy Kussy