**SAMALAYUCA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING**

**March 14, 2023 – Minutes**

Board Members Present: Scott Doty, Amy Graham, Mark Koskiniemi, Larry Bourne, Leslie Michotte, Kevin O’Brien, (Sam Esparza called in briefly)

Members present: Diane Boyd

Determination of Quorum: Scott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and determined a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the February 14, 2023 meeting were distributed and read. Larry moved to approve the minutes, Kevin seconded. Motion carried.

President’s Report: Scott recently filed the 5-year water plan with the Arizona Department of Water Resources. Thank you to Larry and our water operator for the data needed to complete the report.

Vice President’s Report: No updates to report.

Treasurer’s Report: Bank of America balance is $68,641.41. Top expense items for the month were TEP ($772.99), pool services ($455) and water checks ($125), and trash ($997.71). New locks for the bathrooms in Area A ($85), after some vandalism to the men’s bathroom outer door.

While progress has been made on identifying additional options for an interest bearing account, no action was taken at this time. Amy will consolidate the current available information for review and possible action at the April meeting.

Committee Reports:

Architectural Review Committee: Current projects under review or underway – 802 Ko Vaya (Larry did inquire into if additional painting will be completed to match the plans, or if an addendum will be offered – he was told by the owner that an addendum would likely be presented); 750 Comobabi has all materials in place, contractor initiated some work (about 3 feet of brick up from the driveway level); no update on 975 Comobabi.

Area A Committee: Sports court configuration/repainting still in discussion with more quotes to be requested, and updates on prior quotes.

Water Committee (Water Conservation and Drought Preparedness): Nothing additional to report. Mark worked with Scott to prepare the 5 year water plan. The annual UA Sustainable Landscapes Expo was held recently, but no info was sent out to members about the event. Bill Walther recently added Plant Care and Landscape Maintenance links to the website (including passive water harvesting and seasonal irrigation watering schedules).

Water System Committee: Larry completed the first pick-up from Hill Bros for chlorine for the water system, and added it to our treatment system.

Social Committee: Leslie sent out an email invite which included a project list for the upcoming spring clean-up. Also placed the A-frame sign and the eastern intersection of Comobabi and Samalayuca. The event will be on April 1, in the morning. In the afternoon will look to have the Polar Plunge kid event (adults welcome!), followed by an evening pot luck.

Old Business: Mark summarized steps needed to present a ballot for raising dues. Some initial feedback from members was reviewed, and for the next meeting drafts of information and a sample ballot will be reviewed. The ballot will then go to our attorney (Shupe) for review/completion, and we anticipate having our attorney attend the May board meeting to do new board member orientation/update and deliver/discuss the ballot and process. Anticipating the issue of a dues increase will be put to the membership before end of May.

Concerning trash/recycling service (Republic) and the upcoming renewal of our contract, Amy compiled information on the various quotes/terms received from Republic and RAD. It was recommended that additional negotiating be completed to see if we can further reduce costs without a significant reduction in service level before the board takes any final action.

Larry moved that we accept a recent quote from a new landscaping service which we believe will result in improved service at a reduced cost. Per communication with Amy, service to include mowing, sweeping, raking (including sand in swing area), trimming and palm litter, maintain tree trimming. Reseeding and requested major items will be quoted per application. Amy seconded. Motion carried. Service will be transitioned shortly. Cost will be $500/month.

New Business: Scott moved that a roll-off be sourced for the upcoming Area A spring clean-up, and that following the event, members would be able to add green waste to the roll-off. Cost not to exceed $1000. Larry seconded. Motion carried. Amy will reach out to service providers and coordinate with Leslie.

Call to the Membership: Diane Boyd again advocated for the resurfacing of the tennis court, and thanked the board for the new net. She also recommended the attorney prepare the ballot for the upcoming consideration of a change in dues.

Adjournment: Scott moved and Amy seconded - Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Next meeting: The next regular board meeting will be April 11th.