# ROTONDA WEST ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JULY 18, 2019 – 2PM

# **MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Hank Killion, Russ Kulp, Stephen Froggatt, David Kelly, Patti Cowin,

Peter Traverso

MANAGEMENT:

Scott Feldkamp, Manager

Claudette Romano, Lead Administrator

OTHER MEMBERS: Donna Stogsdill, Barb & John Peszko, Bernie Schmelz,

Wm. F Scott, Antonina Scott, Chris & Robert Klotzke,

Susan & Steve Superak, Patricia Aho, Earl Haas,

Bob & Karen Hasicin, Diana Dudick, Dale Jensen, Sam Besase,

George & Kathy Hutton, Jack Horner, Diane McGrath, Frank Warren, Linda & Bob Bondeson, Larry Boyless, Jerry Eldrich, Margie Carroll, Ginni Mahon, Pat Callahan,

Anne-Marie Hunter, Diane Shaw

The Meeting was called to order by President Killion at 2PM. The meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was said by all.

<u>Director Kulp</u> moved the Board to approve the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2019 and Board Pre-Agenda Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2019. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Cowin. Motion carried unanimously.

# **Treasurer's Report** – Director Killion (Chair)

Cash on hand at the end of June 30, 2019 - \$1,868,007.89. Year to date is favorable at \$124,275.67.

#### Manager's Report - Manager Scott Feldkamp

Claudette Romano read Manager Feldkamps' Report.

The Book: The Vision and The Reality.

This is the first printing in many years and we have Don Mahon to thank. Don can tell you how, after a year of searching he found the guy with the files. I encourage everybody to read the book. It presents some perspective. Despite the calamities in the book.

**Not in the book** ... Although there are many other noteworthy anecdotes, from my perspective, the modern-era of the RWA starts with **Nick Gizzi**. Ask Nick how the right thing is not always the easy or popular thing. Nick had *The Vision*. He started the hard projects that he knew would take years to complete. Think canals, water management and fund raising.

*Glen Perkins*, some called him a bully. Well, he bullied the RWA up the ladder another rung. He bullied the clean-up of the abandoned houses, and the plague of Brazilian Peppers. He set the stage for the return of prosperity as the real estate market slowly recovered.

Russ Kulp and Hank Killion have consolidated these gains while shepherding the RWA into the modern technological age. New facilities and increased property values are the result. The RWA's financial position is spectacular! The physical property is properly maintained and secured.

Each of these RWA leaders did what is right for everybody, not just a few. It is hard, it is thankless.

I am sorry to anybody whose feelings I hurt or toes I stepped on. Sometimes the right answer is no, even though it is sometimes hard to accept. My staff and I genuinely care about Rotonda West, each other and we are proud of our accomplishments.

The RWA is in the best possible position for the future. Let's please set aside whatever grievances & grudges there may be and grab the future. Read the Book. Let now be the time that: Rotonda did not fail. Work with me.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### **Election** – Barbara Peszko (Chair)

Our meetings are on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Thursday of the month. If you intend to run for the Board, your letter of Intent & Resume need to be handed in prior to Noon on August 9<sup>th</sup>. If we have more than two (2) Candidates, our next meeting is scheduled for August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm.

# <u>Activities</u> – Director VanScyoc (Chair)

Donna Stogsdill reported on the following Community Center Usage:

July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – Englewood Fishing Club – Inventory Review; July 30, 2019 – Vineland Elementary School Meeting; August 16, 2019, Englewood Fishing Club – BBQ Luncheon; December 11, 2019 – Wildlife Committee Presentation – Manatee.

<u>Director Froggatt</u> moved the Board to approve all Community Center Usage applicants. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Kulp. Motion Carried unanimously.

#### <u>Wildlife Committee</u> – Director Cowin (Chair)

**Director Cowin** reported on the upcoming Wildlife Presentation on Moths Wildlife Agenda's are now on Facebook. File Folder will also be placed on Facebook for all Brochures.

Guest at meeting, Stan Plizga indicated that the Kiosks he built are ready to be hung.

# Administration/Personnel - President Killion (Chair)

Election of new Director will be by Secret Ballot. Election of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President will also be by Secret Ballot. Until we have a full complement of Directors, this vote will be delayed.

President Killion read a letter from Congressman Steube congratulating Sue Superak on her contribution as a Volunteer.

# Aquatic/Canal - Stan Plizga (Chair)

Chairman Plizga asked for a motion to approve the West Lake (L04) Aquatic Zone Planting Contract for \$4,950.00 with EarthBalance. These are in-water littoral zone plantings selected to reduce nutrient levels, control erosion, provide a food

source for invertebrates, and provide a habitat for fish and other organisms to support our aquatic wildlife.

<u>Director Froggatt</u> moved the Board to approve the contract with EarthBalance for plantings around the lakes(s) in the amount of \$4,950.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Cowin. Motion carried.

#### **Budget & Finance** – President Killion (Chair)

No meeting was held. President Killion indicated he would like a dollar amount from all Committee Chairman for the Budget. A meeting will be held next week to discuss 2020 Budget. Committee will work within the \$190.00 – No increase of Assessment is anticipated.

#### <u>Buildings & Grounds</u> – Director Kulp (Chair)

Purchase of Audio & Visual equipment was discussed.

<u>Director Kulp</u> moved the Board to authorize the expenditure of up to \$10,000 for the acquisition and installation of a security system in the Administration offices and the two (2) Maintenance buildings, after soliciting at least three (3) compatible proposals, reviewing & evaluating them and selecting the lowest acceptable bid.

# **<u>Community Relations</u>** – Director VanScyoc (Chair)

Donna Stogsdill stated that the Activities Committee and the Community Relations Committee will remain separate Committees. Andy VanScyoc will chair both Committees. Donna also indicated that the Open House is scheduled for November 7, 2019.

# **Compliance Committee** – Richard Duggan

No Appeals - No Meeting

### **Deed Restriction Violators**

<u>Director Kulp</u> moved the Board to accept the Deed Restriction Violations as presented at the Pre Agenda.  $2^{nd}$  by Director Traverso. Motion carried unanimously.

# **Deed Restrictions** – Patti Aho (Chair)

Patti Aho presented the Table of Contents.

# <u>Director Kulp</u> moved the Board to accept the Table of Contents. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Cowin. Motion carried unanimously.

Second items were Sections 23 & 24 – Vehicles & Overnight parking. This was postponed and a suggestion to have a workshop was discussed. President Killion requested need to have dates checked with office and then give them to him.

Director Aho stated that the August meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting in September will concentrate on fences & site screens.

#### Residential Modifications – Manny Seligmann (Chair)

Chairman Seligmann reported there were two (2) RMC Meetings – June 25 and July 9<sup>th</sup> totaling 58. Fifty six were approved. Two (2) disapproved. Topping the list was painting, next in descending order: Painting, roofs, fences/site screens, windows, doors, driveways, hardscaping, pool cage, shutters, pool, pergola, dock. Chairman Seligmann resigned as Chair of this Committee.

<u>Director Cowin</u> moved the Board to accept Chairman Seligmann' resignation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Traverso. Motion carried unanimously.

Manny Seligmann nominated Dale Jensen as the next chairman.

<u>Director Cowin</u> moved the Board to approve Dale Jensen as Chairman of the Residential Modification Committee. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Traverso. Motion carried unanimously.

A workshop will be scheduled between the Board of Directors and the Residential Modification Committee.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Director Kulp indicated that everyone needs to reset their attitude and be civil to one another. Director Traverso asked that the Code of Conduct again be placed on the back of all Directors name plates.

### **New Business & Communications - President Killion**

We now have new equipment and new microphones. Once all the equipment is installed, we will be able to record these meetings.

# Member's Input (Non-Agenda Items)

Diane Shaw thanked President Killion – representing the Board - for supporting No Sidewalks at the meeting this evening. Other residents also are supporting No Sidewalks.

#### **Directors Input**

Director Froggatt is against sidewalks. He also made mention of the increase in MSBU funding. Happy to see new faces in the audience. We need volunteers. Director Kulp indicated he is against sidewalks but the final decision is up to the MSBU Committee.

Director Cowin is not in favor of sidewalks throughout Rotonda West.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm

Next Board Meeting – September 19, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted Claudette Romano, Lead Administrator

## **Attachments**

Treasurer's Report Manager's Report Motions Agenda