

ROTONDA WEST ASSOCIATION, INC.
646 Rotonda Circle, Rotonda West, FL 33947

Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, November 12, 2020 – 2:00PM

MINUTES

PRESENT: Patricia Aho, Sam Besase, Patti Cowin, Jerry Eldred, and (via Zoom) David Kelly, Peter Traverso

ABSENT: Stephan Froggatt

Management: Derrick Hedges, RWA Manager

Members: Joe Harris, John & Barb Peszko, Maureen McDowell, Karen Harvey, Randy Keller, Wayne Legris, Walt Taylor, and (via Zoom) Cari Hale, Bernie Schmelz, Andy Leonard, Allyson Eakin, Linda Bondeson, Bob Bondeson, Steve's iPad, Linda's iPad, JanPatmalnieks, David Burton, JanPatmalnieks, Virginia Ambard Mahon, gwen grace, Dale Jensen, iPad., Joseph Charles Territo, Susan S, Betsy Cummings, Greg, Nan and jim, Tom Rocque, Incas, Diane Shaw, Karen Nichoals, kentandbonnieanselment, Karen's iPad, maxin, Karen Adelman, Karen's iPhone, Bob, Ruthann Brown, Ruthann Brown, jim, karencoffee, Jack Horner, Albert Bussiere, nicho.

The Meeting was called to order by President Aho at 2:00 PM. The meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present.

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

President Aho then asked for a moment of silence to recognize the passing of long-term volunteer and former Director George Burger.

Director Besase moved the Board to approve the Meeting Minutes for the 23 October, 2020 BOD Meeting. 2nd by Director Kelly. Motion passed unanimously.

MEMBERS INPUT (Agenda Items)

Bernie Schmelz spoke regarding including members (particularly those bordering the Park) on the Broadmoor Park working group.

OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES & CONTRACTORS REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Director Besase

CASH

Englewood Bank (8283) Checking	\$398,850.44
CDARS Program - Operations	\$720,000.00
CDARS Program - Reserves	\$340,116.74
Charlotte State Bank (2004) - New Construction	\$173,590.50
Englewood Bank (3864) - Reserves	\$149,940.53
Petty Cash	\$ 200.00

Total \$1,782,698.21

EXPENSES:	Actual	Budget	Variance
October-2020	\$131,048.22	\$140,691.67	+\$9,643.45
Year to Date	\$1,161,738.19	\$1,304,766.70	+\$143,028.51

Manager’s Report: Derrick Hedges, Manager

Administration

- The Office Staff has been continuing collection efforts by calling residents with past due balances
- Release of Liens on 3 properties that had past due balances
- All Rotonda West Association Notice of Annual Meeting Packets have been mailed.

Rotonda West Maintenance Staff

- **Work Locations of Maintenance are available for viewing in the Rotonda West Association Office**

Contractors

- Jeff, with Signature Signs, continues to build our new Directional and Memorial Park signs having completed 5 of 20 and is scheduled to complete the rest by the end of November
- Josh Brown Landscape Maintenance continues grinding the invasive vegetation inside Broadmoor Park this week and early next week.
- ADT has completed the installation of the security system at the Community Center, Administration buildings, and Maintenance buildings
- Michael J Looney is completing outlet installations to the Gazebo Bridge and should be completed early next week
- Bob Reynolds has completed his 4th canal bank mowing cycle and will begin his 5th and final cycle next week
- FloridAquatics has begun mowing sections of the greenbelts with the Truxor in the Broadmoor and Pinehurst sections, continues treating and maintaining the aquatic vegetation growth in our canal system, and has removed Vallisneria in the Pebble Beach and Broadmoor sections

- **Work locations are available for viewing in the Rotonda West Association Office**

Full report available upon request.

Deed Restrictions Violations: Holly Carr, Administrator

Director Besase moved the Board levy the fines on the members for the violations listed numbers 1 through 24. If confirmed by the Compliance Committee, these fines shall be automatically imposed. 2nd Director Eldred. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities Committee – Andy VanScyoc (Chair)

Committee received requests for approval of 20 events. Director Besase motioned to approve all 20. 2nd Director Eldred. Motion passed unanimously.

Administration/Personnel – President Aho (Chair)

No report.

Aquatic Committee – Stan Plizga (Chair)

No report.

Budget & Finance Committee – Hank Killion (Chair)

No Report

Buildings & Grounds – Director Besase (Chair) see attached

No Report

Communications – Karen Harvey (Chair)

No Report.

Compliance – Richard Duggan (Chair) Vice Chair Barb Peszko reported

Meeting was on October 29th and 1 member came to plead the case of his in-laws. Appeal failed. All fines were levied. Also, Vice Chair Peszko also expressed concern that when a member is fined for not having submitted a RMC Application then they submit a RMC they don't get a separate fine for a late RMC submission.

Deed Restriction – Patricia Aho (Chair)

The Deed Restrictions Committee met on October 28, 2020 and focused its discussion on creating an administratively easy process to provide for pre-approval of the use of yard signs. The Committee is working with Manager Hedges and staff to develop a "fillable" form to be available on the website, and we are exploring whether it might be directly linked to the member's Caliber account. This will help to provide the information needed for the compliance staff to know which signs have been approved and will provide a record of the approval for the member's account. Additionally, the Committee is discussing working with realtors to ensure greater compliance with our restrictions related to "for sale" signs. The goal is to have a recommended process for the Board to review in December, with the hope of starting the use of the process in 2021.

Mike Kipp has resigned as a member of the Committee.

Election Committee – Dale Jensen (Chair)

No Report.

Residential Modifications Committee – Barb Peszko (Chair)

Since the last board meeting on 10/08/2020 there were 2 RMC meetings for the month of October on 10/13/2020 and 10/27/2020

Total applications: 125

Total disapproved: 01 Gazebo not allowed. Resident appealed Board voted NO

Total tabled: 0

Emergency: 02

Full report available upon request.

Wildlife Committee – Cari Hale (Chair)

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President Aho requested that the standing item regarding the status of the Office and Community Center with regard to COVID-19 be put back on the Agenda under Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS & COMMUNICATIONS – President Aho

President Aho would like to have the RWA sponsor a food drive event in place of the canceled parade.

Motion by Director Eldred to have a RWA food drive event for Helping Hands from 10 – Noon on December 5th at 646 Rotonda Circle. 2nd Director Traverso. Motion passed unanimously.

MEMBERS INPUT (Non-Agenda Items)

Karen Harvey spoke regarding his behavior at, and absences from, BOD meetings by Stephan Froggatt. She requested that Director Froggatt resign from the BOD.

Andy Leonard agreed with Ms. Harvey. He also expressed concern that he was not being properly represented on the Board as the bulk of the Directors live in the “older” sections. He proposed that there be a representative from each section of Rotonda West. That would mean increasing the size of the Board from 7 to 8 (or 9) to accommodate the Developer’s appointee (currently Pete Traverso) and possibly adding an appointee from the Golf Courses. He asked how this could be accomplished.

Diane Shaw would like to let everyone know that she and Patti Cowin will be at the Rotonda Community Park on Saturday from 10-11 to collect old/no longer needed political signs for recycling.

Cari Hale requested clarification on the vote by the Activities Committee to recommend approval of the use of the Community Center. President Aho stated that the vote was held during their meeting on November 4th.

RESPONSE TO MEMBERS’ QUESTIONS

23 October

Jan Patamalakis inquired as to whether there is a move to make “encroachers” liable for incidents/injuries occurring on the encroached area.

Director Besase stated that the RWA lawyer and insurance carrier would have to weigh in on that issue. He added, in response to Mr. Schmelz’s earlier question, that there is no move to add members who abut the park to the Broadmoor Park working group.

Director Cowin clarified her position on the issue which is that she would like to have the RWA lawyer draft a “Hold Harmless” agreement that would release the RWA from fault should a homeowner injure themselves during their maintenance of portion of the park behind their property.

Director Kelly mentioned that the working group decided to address the mowing encroachments first and was unclear as to who would be drafting the language for the agreements.

DIRECTOR INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm.

Next Board Meeting: 10 December 2020, 2 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Cowin,

Director/Secretary

Attachments:

Agenda

Minutes

Reports