

Bay Harbor Improvement Association
Minutes of Board Meeting
Saturday, April 11, 2009

President Carl Finney called the board meeting of Bay Harbor Improvement Association to order, Saturday, April 11, 2009, 10:05 AM, at the home of Carl and Gail Finney, 3814 Tradewinds.

Carl welcomed the board and guests. A quorum was established with nine members present. Attending members were: Betsy Redfield, Carl Finney, Gail Choate, Cathy Francis, Bill Hand, Rob Traugott, Patsy Gatlin, John Halsey and Pam Williams. Absent were: Jessie Bradshaw, Ginny Gilliland and Bill Aylor. Guests were: Gene Gansky, Pat and Ed Jackson and Gail Finney.

The minutes of the past meeting, March 14, 2009, had been distributed. A motion to accept the minutes as distributed was made by Rob Traugott and seconded by Pat Gatlin. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report had also been distributed. The secretary reported that the property owner that owed \$300 had sold the property and no title company had asked for any assessments owed. The secretary reported that she had written the new owner asking for payment of dues owed and had not had a response. The board asked the secretary to send a certified letter to the new property owner requesting payment. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as distributed was made by John Halsey and seconded by Rob Traugott. Motion carried.

Old Business

- Storm damage to public areas: piers, fence, fish cleaning station, lights, & signs. – There was discussion of the unsafe conditions and the need to get them resolved before the Fishing Rodeo. The barge is still there. Ed Jackson had contacted the owner. Carl Finney will try and contact the owner of the barge. Carl said he thinks he can fix the fishing pier fence. The secretary is to call the electrician that we normally deal with and get a bid. John will get Stanley to bid also. We are still waiting on Tim Kurtin on the fish cleaning station. Betsy said she will contact Tim. The water inlet was broken and the water shutoff. Plans are being made to repair the water valve. Rob Traugott will make a drawing and help Carl with repairs. Carl has ordered the signs from the same person that made them before.
- Locks – The locks are in place
- Tents for annual meeting - John Halsey reported that he had purchased one tent for the annual meeting that was about \$280 with tax. A motion to buy another tent was made by Pam Williams and seconded by Bill Hand. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Finance – The secretary reported that she had the bid from Wm Jones Co. for our annual insurance for \$4091.49. It was suggested that the secretary call Jessie Bradshaw and see if she wanted to submit a bid.

Marina – Information reported under old business.

Fundraising/membership – Pat Gatlin reported on amounts raised at the oysterfest. Jessie Bradshaw got a couple of donations for the silent auction. Cathy Francis reported that we are down in number of silent auction vendors from where we should be due to some of the businesses not reopened yet. Cathy also said she will need help in picking up some of the donations. The column News on The Streets has business openings. If any board member knows of a new opening, contact Cathy. Rusty Hook has offered a discount on bait for our fishing tournament.

Sewer/WGIPOA/Saltwater & Beach Access – Bill Hand gave a comprehensive report on the Community Recovery Plan. He said you can go to the web site at recoverygalveston.org for more information. Bill also reported that someone is watching the beach for vehicular traffic and reporting them to the police, who must take action. Bill said there are a lot of politics in the beach and bay access.

Newsletter – John said the next deadline for the Heron would be May 5 with the May issue by May 10. John asked for several people to write articles. A suggestion was made to include an article to advise people to be considerate of the birds that are nesting on the island. Bill Hand volunteered to write the article.

Restoration Project – Betsy Redfield gave her excellent customary comprehensive report on the Restoration Project. She plans on attending the next CEPRA meeting.

Annual meeting – There was discussion of the items needed for the annual meeting and who would bring them. It was decided to rent the tables and chairs. There was discussion of the selection of new board members. Of the four members leaving, Betsy Redfield, Cathy Francis, Pat Gatlin and John Halsey, only Betsy Redfield has elected to stay on the board. New property owners suggested as replacements were Julie Garvin, Sheryl Liskow, Kris Mauer and Connie Bain. Cathy Francis said she will print the annual meeting notices when they are ready for print. The board discussed order some merchandise to sell for a money making project. Cathy Francis is to order 72 mugs, 48 polos, 72 tees (60 short sleeved & 12 long sleeved, and 24 hats.

The next board meeting will be at the home of John and Toy Halsey, 3710 Port Trinidad, Saturday, May 9, 2009 10 AM.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Halsey and seconded by Rob Traugott. Meeting adjourned.

Gail Choate
Secretary/Treasurer
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