

## RIIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 16, 2023 7:00

All Saints Camp, Raft Island

Meeting called to order by Matt Hurley 7:00pm

Board Members Present: Hurley (182), Crain (8), Walsh (111), Scea (192), Phillips (205), Flood (95/ zoom), Weiss (232), Smith (160/ zoom), Neil (2/ zoom)

Board Members Absent: Figueira (274)

Members Present: Larkin (9), Walsh (111), Cove (72), Jaquish (107), West (70), Hirko (113), Daelman (234/ zoom), Hurley (14), Leas (80), Stewart (123), Cushing (244), Barkin (18), Rubalcava/Marin (58), Quisenberry (119), Madeira (49)

- Matt Hurley tabled the board vote to approve a \$1700.00 expenditure for the legal review of our governing documents by John Burleigh. This will allow us to consider recent review input from Carolyn Tucker.
- Charlotte Crain reported that the Raft Island Watcher App is going into Beta testing. The App was custom made solely for Raft Island and is Opt-in (only). The App is an archived database of island events enabling near real time situational awareness. It is not a substitute for calling 911 in the event of emergency.
- Matt Hurley reminded the membership that we cannot share members' personal information (phone numbers and emails) due to privacy laws.
- Tom Phillips says that the South Beach gate may be out of commission for 2-3 days for realignment which should take place in about 2 weeks. He discussed scheduling during the work week to avoid inconvenience.
- Joe Sanchez's request to organize and hold a food drive/fundraiser on Raft Island, supporting the Fish Community Services Food Bank, was denied. Advertising on common island spaces and HOA "blast emails" can only be utilized to support RIIA specific events.

### Member's Request to Address Board:

- Jeff Leas wanted to understand the status of the initiative to install streetlights on the remaining Island telephone poles. Matt Hurley was quoted \$100.00 per installed light and a one-time mobilization fee of \$100.00 to the island which would encompass installation(s). Electricity would cost approximately \$11.00 per light per month.
- Kate Hurley discussed two quotes obtained for an automatic gate opener at South Beach. The board agreed that this will be an issue for consideration at the annual meeting.

Approval of September minutes – Anne Scea moved, David Weiss seconded: Approved.

Treasurer's Report – Anne Scea says 67% of our dues go to service bridge loan debt. The cost of the kayak rack extension came to \$400.00.

## Old Business:

New Business: David Madeira raised the issue of the impact of the deer population on the island and inquired about possible solutions. Mike Neil said that he doesn't think we have an overpopulation of deer. He also indicated that Fish and Wildlife will not relocate/remove deer. Katherine Walsh had contacted Animal Rescue, but they didn't offer any viable solutions.

## Committee Reports

- Roads – Matt Nixon is in the process of preparing a detailed report of the necessary repairs.
- Gate Committee –
  - The gate committee intends to survey island residents concerning any unreported crime in the last 36 months. This will be used to help justify our request to the USDA. NOTE: Jaime Marin made the point that unreported crimes might not be considered 'crimes' from a legal perspective.
  - It is possible that the Raft Island Watcher App could be used to archive future island crime statistics.
  - Andy Flood said that the committee is reworking the letter to the USDA as a result of significant pushback from committee members.
- Security – Matt Hurley is examining the use of 'FLOCK' cameras to automatically alert law enforcement in the event a stolen vehicle comes onto the island. Cost will be shared at the next meeting. He is also working to develop an overnight parking policy. Matt indicated a willingness to conduct home checks for Island residents when they are on vacation.
- Investment – Quarterly Report
  - Bridge replacement fund - \$510,065.12
  - General Fund - \$190,982.99
  - USDA RSV - \$311,098.50
- Parks and Recreation – The tennis court committee is getting additional repair quotes. We will need a great deal of volunteer help to stay within budget. Natalie Middleton has volunteered to assist with landscaping design at the tennis court and the bus stop. Mike Neil is holding a work party at the bus stop on Friday and Saturday October 20 & 21.
- Bridge – Ted Smith said there were a number of items, none of them immediate in nature.
  - Railings need to be recoated.
  - Expansion joints need to be cleaned (Katherine Walsh will put together a team to clean them periodically).
  - There is corrosion on the steel piling jackets. Ted is looking into whether it's cost effective to address this proactively.
  - Matt Hurley will provide the HOA manager a draft email advising membership not to throw rocks at the pilings.
  - Gene Barkin, Ted Smith and Cliff Quisenberry agreed to collaborate on an estimated cost to replace our bridge at the end of its life span. Mike Hirko pointed out that as of 2044 USDA payments will start going toward the bridge replacement fund.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Walsh  
Secretary