

GREATER PINE ISLAND CIVIC ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES January 18, 2023

Zoom Attendees: Helen Fox, Connie D'Alessio, Nadine Slimak, Deb Swisher-Hicks, Mike Sweeney, Shari Perkins, Tim Heitz, Noel Andress

1. Minutes of December Board meeting (Shari Perkins)

Reviewed and Accepted December meeting notes

Motion to accept 12-14-22 board meeting minutes 1st Nadine Slimak, 2nd Connie D'Alessio, ALL APPROVED

2. Treasury Report as of 1/18/23 (Mike Sweeney)

\$16,763.11 money market, \$7,431.15 checking \$76,370.83 CD

Dec/Jan money in \$280.43 (\$160 cash/ \$100.43 membership) discussed cost of electronic payments, currently 6%

Motion to accept 1-18-23 treasury Report 1st Connie D'Alessio, 2nd Shari Perkins ALL APPROVED

3. Nametags (Helen Fox)

Discussed the need for wearable nametags so board members are clearly identified at events and membership meetings. Board voted to wait to buy nametags until after the elections to include any new members in the order.

4. Elections (Shari Perkins)

February 7th general membership meeting will hold elections for 3 open positions. Current candidates are Helen Fox, Mike Sweeney, Tim Heitz, Jette Smith (self-nominated from the floor in January). Connie D'Alessio offered to develop ballot and print for the meeting. During the February meeting, Shari Perkins/Scott Wilkinson will introduce the nominees, who will speak briefly about their interest in serving on the board; they will then count the votes with a volunteer member in good standing and report the final count.

5. Membership (Connie D'Alessio)

GPICA application wording will be slightly changed to help clarify the required Pine Island residence or ownership for membership as required by our bylaws.

6. Bylaw modifications (Helen Fox)

The board will run a list of potential clarifications to the by-laws that will be addressed in the future.

7. Future Meeting Location (Mike Sweeney)

Noel and Scott have not been able to contact the manager of the Elks to discuss our rental agreement during the rebuild after Hurricane Ian. Other locations were discussed.

8. Development Committee (Deb Swisher-Hicks)

- At the recent public hearing regarding the Old Chamber of Commerce building/potential used car lot Deb, GPICA member, Allison Pham and Alliance member Aaron Barreda spoke against rezoning the property to light industrial. Nevertheless, the project will probably be approved. The owner will require a SFWMD ERP permit to continue with its plans. Noel advised that a state permit from the South Florida water management district will be required to show how the business will handle runoff, so this is another opportunity to oppose the used car lot.
- The County has approved the Storage Facility behind Publix.
- The landscape company has withdrawn its application.

9. Lee County 5-year Capital Improvement Plans — as related to Pine Island (Noel Andress)

5 page Lee County CIP Report was reviewed. Noel to scan and send to Nadine for distribution to membership.

CIP Highlights:

- 2022-2023 Lavender Landing \$200k improvements; 2023-2024 \$1.3M improvements
- 2026-2027 Dog Park south of Winn Dixie \$500K for preparation of site
- 2022-2023 Pine Island Waste Water Treatment Plant \$470K filter improvements; 2024-2025 \$1.6M to increase capacity
- 2022-2023 Pine Island Flatwoods Well Fill project \$250K for additional wells; 2023-2024 \$500,000, 2025-2026 \$7M cleanup of arsenic/mitigation

Noel will present these plans and answer questions at the GPICA February meeting.

10. Matlacha "Thought Experiment" (Helen Fox)

- Discussed the recent social media distribution of Mike Hannon's rendering of a possible Matlacha rebuild concept.

11. 2nd January Meeting discussion (Helen Fox)

Board unanimously voted to not have a 2nd meeting because of the lack of necessary lead time and its close proximity to February meeting.

12. 2nd February Meeting needed for development public meeting (Helen Fox)

Tortuga & Barrancas multiplex project is requesting a public meeting with our membership. GPICA will sponsor a 2nd meeting in February to accommodate and not interrupt GPICA business as previously voted.

NEXT MEETINGS

FEBRUARY Meetings

GPICA Board February 15

General Membership February 7

MARCH Meetings

GPICA Board March 15

General Membership March 7

Motion to Adjourn 2:37pm

Motion 1st Shari, 2nd Nadine ALL IN FAVOR