

**BURNT STORE ISLES ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2008**

Officers Present

**President – Joe Sabatino
Vice President – John Kruth
Secretary – Sheri Del Sasso
Treasurer – Donna Aveck**

Directors Present

**Immediate Past President – Chick Petrosino
Community Standards – Bob Semer
Legal Liaison – Terry Miller
Planning – Howard Elkin
Community Security – Charlie Council
Special Projects – Stacy Scarrow**

Social Committee Chairperson – Kathy Kruth

Director Absent

Membership – Bob Fitzsimmons

The BSIA February 1, 2008 Board meeting was called to order by President Joe Sabatino at 9:11 am. The minutes of the January 4, 2008 Board meeting were amended and then were approved accepted and will be posted on the BSI Association website. Reports of officers and directors have been reviewed accepted and placed on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS

Social- FSU Ringling Museum

The social event for FSU Ringling Museum is on February 19, 2008 a deposit of \$100.00 was sent in to the bus company, but can be fully refunded if needed to cancel. Kathy announced that the trip will still proceed even if there are not enough people for the bus. The alternative for the group will be to car pool.

Social – New Member Social

This event is for new members of the association and will be on March 31, 2008 from 5pm till 7pm at the Villa's club house. Kathy will contact each Board member to see what appetizer they will be bringing, BSIA will cover the wine and cheese. The spouses of the Board members are invited and the balance of the social committee will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

CERT Training

The Chairperson, Claire Phelen informed the Board that at this time we have only five people for the class. Chick Petrosino asked that he and his wife Angela be put on the list for the classes. The classes start on February 12 and meet twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday from 1pm till 3:30pm for three consecutive weeks. Joe stated Seminole Lakes and PGI are co-hosting. Classes will be held at Fire Station#1.

Tripoli Sidewalks

Adjourn regular Board meeting to call a special meeting with homeowners and city engineers.

Special meeting called at 10:00am in attendances are as follows:

City Engineers - Mark Gering and Steve Padgett

Homeowners – Tom Murphy, Priscilla and John Gioia, Mary Ann and Bill Hughes, Dot and Ed Minzer, Claire Phelen, Jeff Ziemer, Jim O'Donnell

This special meeting was for the Tripoli sidewalk issue. Mark Gering spoke about the construction of the sidewalks and what would need to be changed in the landscaping and the driveways. Mark passed out to all the homeowners present two sheets detailing the information. Mark explained to everyone present that the sidewalks had been planned for a number of years and with the idea to have the sidewalks eventually go all the way to the harbor front. Mark also informed everyone that there is a city ordinance that covers the city right of way, which means that for the portion of driveway that is in the right of way the city has the right to do what is needed but will cover repairs with regular concrete if needed to be repaired. The city did agree to replace concrete and paver driveways. The city ordinance does not cover stamped driveways and at this time there are two stamped driveways affected. There are eleven trees affected and seven of the eleven will be relocated and four cannot be saved. The city will also relocate all sprinklers heads that will be affected at the cities expense. Mark indicated the need to be in compliance with **ADA** regulations as the reason for changes. This was the first time that anyone has heard about requirement for compliance with **ADA** rules.

Prior to starting, the city will be sending letters out to inform the homeowners affected by the construction offering to meet with each homeowner and discuss impact on their individual property. The project is scheduled to start in March.

At this time the floor was open to question and answer session. Question's followed including, Does the Tripoli sidewalk project really have ADA compliance problems as it relates to homeowners driveways? If so, why were recent sidewalk projects completed over the last few years including last summer, on Monaco and Tripoli Blvd. not have similar compliance issues?

The special meeting was adjourned at 10:30am. The Board restarted but went into Executive session at 10:40am. Board came out of Executive session at 10:50am and a motion was made by Bob Semer **MOTION: Confirmed BOD policy does not allow non-members to be present during deliberation on the discussions and Seconded by Stacy Scarrow.** Motion was passed unanimously. President Joe Sabatino and Vice President John Kruth advise ten homeowners of same and agreed to meet with their representative (Tom Murphy) later that day.

Meeting went back into session at 11:10am. Joe will review with Bill Albers asking city to re-open project.

A Motion was made by Terry Miller, MOTION: Based on new information of the ADA Compliance BSIA Board will request the Planning Department and or City Council to review the Scope of the sidewalks and Seconded by Donna Aveck. Motion was passed unanimously. President Joe Sabatino advised city in writing to formally re-open project. City is currently reviewing options and will contact BSIA to discuss when completed.

Open House

The city is actively enforcing signage being posted along city ROW, primarily realtor's open house signs. The fines are up to \$250/day. Joe spoke with Dennis Murphy, Growth Management, to review the matter. He indicated that Code Compliance would be monitoring on Saturdays and police on Sundays. Joe provided Dennis with a copy of BSIA realtor's open house policy. Also Joe's request Dennis will be using this as part of discussion with Charlotte Co. Board of Realtors to try and develop a possible compromise solution.

No Trespassing / Fishing Ordinance

Chick and Joe met with Rep. Kreegel to advise him of the need to further amend House Bill 1185 to minimize the number of "no trespass" signs on a vacant lot from the present mandate of 4 to a concurrent one per lot as is written for construction sites. Rep. Kreegel investigated if he could place a "rider" on a companion Bill. Subsequent investigation determined that we could not find companion bill. Instead BSI and PGI with Chick Petrosino are working with the city attorney Dave Levin to prepare a draft, No Fishing ordinance to be read at the city council meeting on February 6, 2008. Currently, BSIA has been advised that 1ST reading will not take place until February 20 City Council meeting due to ten day prior public notice. Final reading scheduled for March 5, 2008 and we anticipate new No Fishing ordinance will be effective same date.

General Membership Meeting – March 10, 2008

Mayor Friedman has accepted our invitation to be our keynote speaker at our General Membership dinner meeting to give his "State of the City" speech. One glitch has arisen. SCCC has asked BSIA to co-sponsor a meeting on February 27 at PGI Civic Center with Mayor Friedman giving the same talk. Joe spoke with Jim Brown, SCCC President and explained our predicament. Joe will ask Seminole Lakes to co-sponsor the meeting in place of BSIA.

Wind Generators/Artificial Turf

There is an area behind City Hall that is being used for testing of the artificial turf. At this time both wind generators and artificial turf may be revisited at the next planning meeting on February 25.

Community Outreach Program

Chick will soon begin to prospect for 10 community section representatives. However Chick has asked for volunteers to join in this worthy project through the upcoming newsletter. It will also be brought up at the March 10, 2008 Membership Meeting.

Roof Cleaning Letters

The Board has determined that the first letter should exclude reference to turning over to city for further handling. Follow up letter will then state the intention of going forth with the city's help. The aim is get compliance while trying to take a "good neighbor" approach.

Review 2007 Goals & Objectives

Tabled till next months Board meeting.

Goals & Objectives for 2008

Joe asked for everyone to look over 2007 and then to decide what they would like to see the Board emphasize in 2008. Joe would like for everyone to e-mail their ideas to him. It will then be reviewed at the March Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Set Back for Pools & Cages

BSIA Deed Restrictions clearly state that the rear setback must be 25 feet from seawall, while the city requires a 20 foot setback. The city is aware that the more restrictive rule takes precedence over the lesser. This is to protect the seawall from being damaged. Zoning will reject any request for 15 Ft. setback.

Tax Exempt Status

Joe contacted the State of Florida and as of to date they are unable to find any listing for BSIA, Inc. We need our Tax ID# to be able to check further. This is tabled till next month.

D & O Insurance (Directors & Officers Insurance)

Our current carrier is Brown & Brown with a premium of \$2135.00 effective March 18, 2008. Joe is going to get a few other quotes with Terry Millers help.

Budget/Accounting Issues

Donna informed the Board that she will soon be closing Bank of America account and will transfer funds into the Region's checking account.

Community Service Announcements

The Board reviewed the policy for community announcements and a Motion was made by **Charlie Council, MOTION: Their will be space on the website to post information for all non-profits that our members are actively supporting and operate locally within Charlotte County. Seconded by Terry Miller, Motion was passed unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 12:06pm. The next Board meeting will be held on Friday March 7, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri Del Sasso