

BURNT STORE ISLES ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2011, 9:00 AM
Regions Bank
1401 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL. 33950

Minutes

Present:

President – Charlie Council

Secretary – Audrey Young

Directors:

Genny Ramachandran – Membership

Special Projects – Doug Rhees

Community Standards – Ken Lampkin

Planning – Brian Stirling

Social (non-voting) – Cynthia Council

Community Security – Bob Hutt

Legal Liaison – Mike Huston

Immediate Past President – Joe Sabatino

Absent:

Vice President – Theresa Murtha

Treasurer – Bill Bareither

President Council called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM. A quorum was present.

The minutes of the December 3, 2010 board meeting were accepted with no corrections.

Pictures of the new Board were taken for the newsletter by Kathy Kruth.

Charlie suggested routine reports be incorporated in old business discussions.

Doug Rhees reported plans for the entry medians are being finalized. Planting will be delayed until spring. He will endeavor to contact the management of Walgreens, Bank of America and Publix Plaza for contributions to the entry medians upgrade.

Permit from the city was obtained to hang the membership banner.

Doug expressed the need for storage space for seasonal decorations and it was agreed that a storage area for all records would be useful. Charlie will investigate and report to the Board.

Genny Ramachandran reported 270 paid members as of today (nine are new members); 236 members remain unpaid. The question was raised as to why some members fail to remain in the Association. We need to stress the value of living in a deed-restricted community like BSI that maintains and enhances the value of our homes.

Mike Huston reported that John Wiley has requested that BSIA approve the original plans for a garage addition and driveway which he submitted in May 2010. Mr. Wiley had submitted revised plans in October 2010 which the Board, at its December 2010 meeting, refused to approve.

Phil Zeitz agreed to remain as a non-voting member on the Architectural Committee as a non-voting member until this issue is resolved.

Ken Lampkin reported the homes under construction on Andora and Tripoli are progressing smoothly.

Cynthia reported the success of the Shredding Day with 60 members utilizing the service and 1,700 pounds of paper shredded. No non-members took advantage of the service. Better publicity of the event will be used for the next shredding planned for April.

The Christmas party at the Villas clubhouse was a great success with over 90 members enjoying the great food and each other.

The spring Quarterly Membership Meeting will be March 14 at Twin Isles Country Club. The dinner will be \$18.00 with a \$5.00 subsidy from the Association. In the past this subsidy has been applied to the June meeting but that will change this year. A motion was made by Mike Huston to have the Association subsidize \$5.00 per member for the March dinner meeting. The motion was seconded by Joe Sabatino. The motion carried. The net price will be \$13.00 per person.

Upcoming Events

January 21— The Broadway Palms Theater trip, which is sold out.

February 6 — Casino trip to Immokalee.

March — Annual trip to a ball game at Charlotte Sports Park. Date not final.

March 14 — Quarterly Membership meeting.

March 25 — New members wine and cheese reception at the Villas Club House.

April 2 — Picnic in Ponce de Leon Park.

Bob Hutt, Security, urges anyone observing suspicious activity to call 911 if immediate help is needed. Call the Punta Gorda Police Department at 639-4111 for non-emergency issues. He advises not to approach any person exhibiting suspicious behavior, but call the police at the number above. He gave examples of fishermen who

should not be on our canals without the permission of the landowner or persons recently seen going through trash barrels apparently looking for valuable metals. The black bear has been relocated and is no longer in BSI. There was a break-in on Monaco between Christmas and New Years.

Charlie reminds members of vacancies on city boards and that it is in our interests to have BSIA members serving on city boards. We have two serving members, Charlie on Code Enforcement and Joe on the Utilities Board.

Charlie commended all residents for their efforts in the decorating of their homes, front and canal side, and for the work of Warren Renninger and his judges of holiday lighting in BSI.

On December 9, Charlie attended the SCCC (South Charlotte County Coalition) meeting. The Council is exploring ways to upgrade the gateway into Charlotte County from the south, standardizing signage and frontage without adding problems for the businesses in the area.

The next meeting will be February 4, 2011, the first Friday in the month as always.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 AM