

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

November 4, 2011

Regions Bank

1401 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Officers Present:

President -- Charlie Council
Vice President -- Theresa Murtha
Secretary -- Audrey Young
Treasurer -- Bill Bareither

Directors Present:

Special Projects -- Doug Rhees
Community Standards -- Ken Lampkin
Social (non-voting) -- Cynthia Council
Community Security -- Bob Hutt
Legal Liaison -- Mike Huston

Absent:

Genny Ramamchandran -- Membership
Planning -- Brian Stirling
Immediate Past President -- Joe Sabatino

President Council called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present.

Minutes of the October 7, 2011 meeting was approved and will be sent to the Webmaster for posting on the BSIA website.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

President: Charlie attended City Council meetings on 5-10, 10-19 and 11-2. One item only was of interest to BSI. The issues of A/C and pool equipment encroaching on side-lot easements will not be pursued by agreement of LDR Advisory Board, city staff and City Council.

There is a vacancy on the BSI Canal Committee.

Complaints persist on noise of low-flying planes. This problem is largely weather related and is expected to be reduced when Punta Gorda airport tower is operational and will direct landings and departures rather than the Fort Myers tower.

A problem of flooding on St. Florent reported to the city by Diane Hutt was promptly solved by two city staffers with shovels. Rick Keene deserves commendation for prompt action on the problem. A permanent solution will take a little longer.

Vice President: Theresa regularly attends the CCCC meetings the fourth Thursday of each month. The October speaker was Lorah Steiner, Tourism Director of Charlotte County. She stressed that honest advertising of our area is essential, so when tourists

come here they find was they expect – no disappointments. Theresa highly recommends that residents attend these meeting at the Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association and also that Lorah would be an excellent speaker for a BSIA meeting. Theresa reported the slate of officers for 2012 is filled and the Newsletter contains nominee information and two new advertisers.

Treasurer: Bill presented the 2012 Budget he and Charlie had built. Our total equity is \$54,288. Discussion followed suggesting possible uses for some of this amount to be spent on projects of benefit to the community. No decisions were reached. Charlie felt the new Board would better address this issue.

Social Chair: The General Meeting on November 7th is our next event. Everyone is asked to bring canned or boxed food. Cynthia suggested the BSIA portion of the 50/50 drawing be used to buy turkeys for the St. Vincent Food Bank or the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition. The consensus of the Board was positive. Flyers will be sent on upcoming events.

Special Projects: Doug reports banners for the annual meeting have been revised and are on the two entrance monuments.

The response to requests for residents to care for their cul-de-sacs has been disappointing. Eileen Leming was the only volunteer. A few calls for supplies were received.

The median project continues with replacement of some palms to the extent of the remaining amount voted by membership at the 2011 Spring Meeting.

Community Standards: Ken reports a long list of homes needing roof cleaning has been sent letters by Code Compliance. Roofs, front and rear, must be kept clean. There have been several issues concerning fences. The Deed Restrictions (No. 12) are being followed and each request will be dealt with individually.

New homes under construction are proceeding.

Charlie advised that letters have been sent to the Building and Construction Board of Charlotte and Desoto Counties advising them that they must present plans for their construction in BSI to the Architectural Review Board for approval before construction begins. This is required by No. 4 clause in our Deed Restrictions. This may not have been enforced in the past but this Board feels it is essential to maintain the quality of our community. Copies of this letter will also be sent to local builders.

Recent construction has not followed this procedure.

New Business: Theresa reminded us that Warren will present his Christmas lighting extravaganza at the General Meeting. The Best in Show prize will be a \$50 gift certificate to a local restaurant. Warren will decide on prizes for the various category winners.

Directions will be sent to direct all to the Burnt Store Isles Presbyterian Church.

Construction has complicated the route.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.