

MINUTES
FIRE ISLAND PINES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
April 22, 2017

Directors Present: Allan Baum, Alan Brodherson, Gary Clinton, Greg Henniger, Garry Korr, Chris Lovito, Jay Pagano, Tad Paul, Henry Robin, Russell Saray, Eric Sawyer, Jim Vandernoth

By Phone: Mike Hartstein, Hal Hayes, Ed Schulhafer

Absent: Chris Lovito

Also Present: Tommy Esposito of Tony's Barge, Ken Pollard (Director of Finance & Administration), Damian Todaro (Director of External Operations)

Meeting called to order by President Jay Pagano at 10:35 am in the Solstice Room at Whyte Hall in Fire Island Pines, NY.

Russell Saray motioned to approve the March board meeting minutes. Jim Vandernoth seconded and the motion carried.

President's Report

Harbor Reconstruction

- Jay met with Ron Maag who is supervising the project for the Town.
 - Maag is pushing for completion by next weekend, when homeowners start returning.
 - A new planter for the harbor plaza is being ordered.
 - There will be new ramps to the wagon rack.
 - Randy Wilson is working on the harbor lighting.

Trap Bags

- The Tap Bag Repair/Replacement will start this Monday, April 24.

Assembly Permit

- We have been in contact with the Brookhaven Town Clerk's office asking to be notified when there is an application for an assembly permit.
 - The Town Clerk's office will not notify FIPPOA however they do notify our Councilman Neil Foley.
 - Foley has agreed to notify FIPPOA everytime an Assembly Permit application for The Pines is submitted.

Financial Report

Treasurer Henry Robin reported:

- 2017 Budget adjustments will be discussed at the May 13th Board Meeting.
- Scott Ahlborn submitted a proposal for Whyte Hall landscaping totaling \$3,500 for new plantings.
 - The purchasing policy guidelines requiring 3 bids were waived as, according to one board member, Whyte Hall put landscaping out for bid not long ago, Ahlborn was selected for both maintenance and new plantings, and we are pleased with his work.

Gary Clinton motioned to proceed with the Scott Ahlborn proposal. Tad Paul seconded and the motion carried with Alan Brodherson opposed.

Community Bulletin Board

Russell Saray distributed his [Community Bulletin Board proposal](#) by email prior to the meeting.

- Expect to have an impact by lessening the need for fewer house drops and therefore less litter in the Pines.
- There was a board discussion concerning the legitimacy of producers donating "some portion" of event proceeds to a charity with-out financial oversight.
 - Posting on a FIPPOA electronic bulletin board lends credibility and appears to give FIPPOA's imprimatur to an event regardless if it is warranted.

Saray motioned to institute the Community Bulletin Board to include all Charitable events. Allan Baum seconded and the motion carried with Mike Hartstein and Alan Brodherson in opposition.

FIB Phase II

Tad Paul reported;

- The new enclosures west of the Post Office are 90% complete.
 - Scott Ahlborn is putting together a proposal for landscaping.
 - Nicole LaFountaine has asked that no landscaping be put in front of her property.
- Damian Todaro, Chris Lovito and Paul went to extreme measures to remove the Tommy Casazza truck which was a long-standing eyesore.
- The parking stalls between Harbor and Atlantic walk are very popular and FIPPOA is looking to reconfigure the area to maximize revenue.
 - Every aspect of the FIB Project has been an increase in revenue for FIPPOA.

FIMI

Tad Paul reported:

- Although there were a few straight forward approvals, in the latest round of BZA hearings some applications have been denied.
 - The Pines is having the most trouble getting approval.
 - Part of the issue is that some decision makers are not knowledgeable about The Pines.
- It is troubling to go through this process for three years and suddenly have the Town be in opposition.
 - Legal action could be brought against the BZA but that could be a lengthy process and may delay sand to The Pines.
 - County Officials say they have no intention of abandoning the project.
 - Neil Foley has told Pagano that we have his 100% support.
- We are not going to battle their position disallowing crossovers which involve 14 properties.
- FIPPOA is doing all that it can to move the project along.
- There was an outpouring of support and 500 signatures easily raised to support Nicole LaFountaine when her building was rebuilt after the fire of 2011.

Adjourned at 11:40 am

Respectfully Submitted,
Ken Pollard
Director of Finance & Administration