

## P.O. BOX 480383 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33348-0383

Board of Directors Meeting February 13, 2023, 6:00 PM Beach Community Center

# **MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order: Brian Donaldson, President, called the meeting to order. Attendance in person: Kim Couto, Dean Myerow, Brian Donaldson, Sharon Tiberio, Jeff Scholes and Jorge Werlang; Robert Eldredge arrived 10 minutes after the Call to Order. In attendance by phone: Donna Greene. Not in attendance: Gustavo Sorgente.
- II. Roll Call: Roll was called, and it was determined a quorum was present.

### III. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Sharon, seconded by Dean, to approve the Revised Meeting Minutes of the Board's January 17, 2023 meeting. In a voice vote, the Motion passed unanimously.

## IV. Opening Comments:

Brian stated that moving forward he will be emailing us between BOD meetings with city/neighborhood updates. He wants to be respectful of our in-person BOD meeting time since we have a very full agenda each month.

## V. Treasurer's Report - Sharon Tiberio:

Balance \$33,735.64

Activity

Credit: New Membership \$50.00 Debit: Post Office Box Renewal \$194.00

## VI. Discussion - Mandatory HOA Option:

Brian addressed Gustavo's concerns about the discussions observed on the NextDoor app regarding "Mandatory HOA" in various Fort Lauderdale neighborhoods. As official Board members we cannot participate in opinions, politics or hearsay regarding other HOAs.

Brian stated that when our HOA was established we were not set up as a mandatory HOA. Brian asked for a poll of the Board members regarding interest in pursuing a status change. Each Board member was opposed. Matter closed.



#### VII. Vacation Rental Committee - HOA Standards:

Chaired by Donna Greene. Brian presented the report on Donna's behalf since she was attending the meeting by phone. The Committee is working together to continue editing a draft of what will become our official "Vacation Rental Standards and Recommended Guidelines".

Draft pending with Donna and Brian.

Donna stated that the February 8th meeting went well. In attendance were vacation rental owners Brian Donaldonson, Donna and Travis Greene, Luc Giroux, and Pam Grimme. Absent were Doug Waldbueser and Rhadi Aurora. In the committee meeting the draft copy of our Guidelines was reviewed and additional options were offered for consideration. Included now will be suggesting the use of noise monitoring devices (decibel meters).

Bullet points addressed by Brian to be included in our documentation (and later posted on our new HOA website):

- Security Deposits
- Video Doorbell
- Noise Ordinance
- Noise Monitoring Devices
- Stay Minimums
- Local Contact person and phone number
- Waste
- Parking

Brian shared that Sharon is the Point of Contact for the City's Parking Department and picks the colors for the Residential Parking Passes annually.

Dean asked about replacement tags which Sharon addressed. If a pass is lost, the City will void the number and the resident will be required to purchase a new one.

Donna will continue to edit the existing Vacation Rental Property List and will eventually share it with street captains.

The goal is to have the guidelines and the completed list ready prior to our Annual Meeting.

### VIII. Website: https://birchparkbeachhoa.org/

Chaired by Jeff Scholes. Jeff presented the website and various menu options to Board members, and all were able to view it on their laptops. Brian stated the goal is to launch just before our Annual Meeting.

Suggestions were presented:

A Board of Directors picture in front of the wave wall



- Include a news alerts/announcements section for items that Brian has in the past sent via email (ex: AIA Marathon events, street closures)
- Create HOA Facebook and Instagram accounts
- Merge "Meetings" and "Events" into one header to be able to add a space for FAQs, Resources and Contacts on the top banner
- Include a section for Mayor, City & County Commissioner Newsletters so that Brian is no longer tasked with emailing these items to the membership

During discussions, Dean was asked to review and provide additional details for the "Benefits" section. Kim was requested to review the "Resources" section. Both Dean and Kim will email Jeff with the specifics.

Jeff is to provide a roll out timeline.

- IX. Council of Civic Associations: For the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations (CFLCA) and Central Beach Alliance (CBA) Gustavo Sorgente is our HOA representative. He will attend the February 14, 2023 CFLCA meeting and provide a summary to the Board.
- X. President's Update: Will be given at the end of this meeting if time allows so all Board member comments are addressed first.
- **XI. Membership**: Not discussed.

#### XII. Board Members' Comments:

Robert presented the issue of a resident's large Doberman Pinscher that is let off leash regularly. Broward County has a Leash Law which all residents must abide by. Kim will submit a link to post on the website.

Sharon provided an update on the City of Fort Lauderdale Special Magistrate meeting regarding the 3305 NE 16th Court vacation rental property, it is scheduled for March 14th. Sharon requested Board members to please attend and she will provide additional details as received. Robert asked if remote participation will be available via Zoom (or the link) in the event we cannot attend in person. Sharon will find out and provide an answer to the Board.

Kim addressed the Meeting Guidelines which do not need any edits but will be kept as part of our records and guidelines. Additionally, the Waste Guidelines may need some editing and Brian will ultimately review them for the website.

### XIII. President's update:

Brian stated that the City of Fort Lauderdale 100th Year Anniversary is approaching in October. He raised the idea of having a neighborhood party in early November, preferably on a Sunday. He suggested closing one of our streets, renting tables and inviting elected City and County officials to attend.



Brian also proposed holding a short social event prior to the Air and Sea Show as a "meet your neighbors" get together with wine and desserts.

The Board unanimously supported having both events.

XIV. Adjourn: 7:45 pm

## Submitted by Kimberly Couto, Secretary

## 2022-2023 Board Members & Positions

14<sup>th</sup> Court: Gustavo Sorgente

15<sup>th</sup> Street: Kimberly Couto, *Secretary* 

15<sup>th</sup> Court: Dean Myerow

16<sup>th</sup> Street: Brian Donaldson, *President* 16<sup>th</sup> Court: Sharon Tiberio, *Treasurer* 

16<sup>th</sup> Place: Donna Greene, *Vacation Rentals Chair* 

17<sup>th</sup> Street: Jeff Scholes, *Website Chair* 17<sup>th</sup> Court: Jorge Werlang, *Vice President* 

18th Street: Robert Eldredge, Social/Membership Chair