

Coral Ridge Isles Civic Association  
Board Meeting – June 13, 2022

President Ric Buchanan called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm on July 13, 2022, via Zoom.  
Present were:

Voting:

Ric Buchanan	President
Salim Hatem	Vice President
Barbara Hume	Secretary
Barbara Boruch	NW Quadrant Leader
Eileen Mulkey	NE Quadrant Leader
Peter Partington	SE Quadrant Leader
Rosie Shade	SW Quadrant Leader

Non-voting:

John Dool	Newsletter Chair
Marie Benedetto	Hospitality Co-Chair
Rita Goldfine	Hospitality Co-Chair
Robert Edick	Crime Watch/Traffic & Safety Chair

On motion of Peter, seconded by Eileen, the minutes of the meeting of June 13, 2022 were approved as emailed to the Board.

In Bruce's absence, Ric reported we have \$13,101.76 in our checking account. All funds have now been transferred from paypal.

Neither Commissioner Moraitis nor Melissa Whiddon was able to attend the meeting. However, Ric got an update on two items: first, he had reported to Melissa that tree trimmings at the duplex at the northeast corner of NE 60<sup>th</sup> Street and NE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue had been out prior to bulk pick up but were not picked up. Second, he was advised that the new owner of the apartment building at 1400 NE 53<sup>rd</sup> Court has decided not to sell the property to the City. This is the property we were considering for a pocket park. Four out of five people who responded to Ric regarding the property across from Floranada Park said that it would not be feasible because there is no parking available. Two pointed out that the lot is very narrow; there would be room for a kayak launch area but no playground equipment. In addition, no one has approached the neighbors to see if they are in favor of a park there. It was mentioned that if we can't get the 53<sup>rd</sup> Court property, perhaps we should look for two adjoining properties that are not on the water. Peter feels we should pursue the pocket park. Robert mentioned the city could buy a right of way from one of the condos on the end of one of the streets that has excess parking and put in a ramp to launch kayaks. Ric will mention it to the Commissioner.

Under Quadrant Leader Reports, Eileen sent out two letters to new residents on NE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and NE 58<sup>th</sup> Street. No reports from Barbara B., Peter or Rosie.

Under Old Business, Peter gave a report on the south entryway. The city never paid the company that rebuilt the north entryway - perhaps they could use those funds for the south entryway. Ric will check with Melissa.

Newsletter Chair John Dool reported that he working on the second edition. He needs confirmation of which email to use for each committee chair to publish in the newsletter.

Ric reported that the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations will have a meet-the-candidates forum on the second Tuesday in August for school board and judicial candidates at the new YMCA on Sistrunk Boulevard. The forum for commission candidates is being planned for September. The City Commission is now on vacation until the third Tuesday in August.

Under New Business, speakers for the membership meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup> were discussed. Ric has contacted two of the four candidates for the District 1 City Commissioner race and asked them to speak for five minutes each at our meeting, John Herbst, Chris Williams, Ken Keechl and Christina Disbrow. We will also invite Commissioner Moraitis to speak if she wishes.

Green Your Routine Liaison Barbara Hume reported that Rita Goldfine, Barbara and Greg Boruch and her did an Adopt-a-Street cleanup on May 11<sup>th</sup>. We are scheduled for the garden maintenance at Snyder Park on August 20<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00. Rosie has already volunteered; we could use one more volunteer.

Hospitality Co-Chairs Rita and Marie reported that the June 17<sup>th</sup> social hour at Smokey Bones was attended by 15 people. We will meet again this Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, at Smokey Bones from 5 to 7.

Under Membership, the question was raised at our last meeting whether new owners who are entitled to complimentary membership for the first year can sign up online. Apparently, they cannot since payment is required through paypal to complete the process. Ric suggested to Rosie that a second membership form be added to the website and that the form would go directly to membership chair. Rosie will try to have it up and running by July 31st, John's deadline for the newsletter.

School Board - Ric has not heard from Chet so the position is considered open. If any new residents are interested in any of the open committee slots, please contact Ric.

There being no further business, Peter moved to adjourn the meeting. Barbara B. seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Hume, Secretary

Next meeting: Members' Meeting, Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at Imperial Point Medical Center (Salim, please confirm starting time will be 6:30 pm)

