# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CORAL RIDGE ISLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC. June 10, 2021

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Coral Ridge Isles Civic Association, Inc. was called to order by President Ric Buchanan on June 10, 2021 at 6:53 pm via Zoom. Present were:

## **Voting Members:**

Ric Buchanan President
Barbara Hume Secretary
Bruce Hedges Treasurer

Barbara Boruch NW Quadrant Leader/Director
Jack Hyman NE Quadrant Leader/Director
Peter Partington SE Quadrant Leader/Director

Vice President Salim Hatem and SW Quadrant Leader Rosie Shade were not in attendance.

On motion of Peter Partington and seconded by Bruce Hedges, the minutes of the March 12, 2021 meeting were approved.

Bruce Hedges reported we have \$10,030.79 in our checking account at Chase. The old signers on the Chase account have been removed, and the four new officers have been added as signers. Barbara Hume reported on the audit of the 2018, 2019 and 2020 books. There was one check from November 2018 that never cleared the bank written to our landscaper, Jose Sanabria for \$60. At her suggestion, Peter moved that we write a new check to Mr. Sanabria, Barbara Boruch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### Quadrant Leader Reports:

NE – Jack – Welcome letters were sent out to six new property owners: 5850 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Road, 5830 NE 17<sup>th</sup> Road, 5941 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Road, 5820 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Road, 1484 NE 57<sup>th</sup> Place and 1671 NE 56<sup>th</sup> Court. In addition, a couple of neighbors have asked if we had any power to encourage landlords of multi-family units to paint/clean-up/repair their properties to make entering CRI a little more "Curb Appealing"? (Jack followed up and found they were referring to multi-family units at 62<sup>nd</sup> Street & 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street and 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue.) Ric confirmed that we have no power over owners of multi-family units since we are a voluntary association and not a homeowners association. However we can steer them to the right agency that can help.

NW – Barbara Boruch – Letters sent 6/6 to Debra and Keith Meyer, 1400 NE 62<sup>nd</sup> Street (Closed 4/22); letter to Aroldo and Maritza Salinas, 1448 NE 57<sup>th</sup> Street (Closed 4/6); and letter to Asa and Pierre Holstein, 1430 NE 60<sup>th</sup> Street (Closed 4/26). Barbara advised there were several other sales in the quadrant that were not sent letters as yet because the buyers are seasonal residents and no one is home right now, the new owner has not moved in yet or the deeds have not been processed by the Property Appraiser's office.

SE - Peter - No report.

SW – Rosie – No report received.

Under Old Business, Ric reported that we have two people who have volunteered to be our representative to the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations, Tony Cosenza and Tracy Antol. He will contact Tony and Tracy and bring back the information to the Board.

Peter gave an update on the north entryway. The City will replace the monument at their cost. It will be constructed off-site. He, Tracy Antol and Barbara H. met with three city employees today to finalize plans. There are two loose ends: the lettering (finish and size) and lighting. The Parks Department suggested using solar lighting, although since the monuments face north and south, the south side would get more sun and the lights on the north side might not stay on more than three or four hours. Ric polled the group, and the consensus was that we prefer solar lighting. The north entryway will be finished before any work is started on the south entryway. The Parks Department will help us with any improvements to the south that they can. The City will also repair the sprinklers at both entryways. At least two people have mentioned installing artificial turf. Ric again polled the board and the majority preferred not installing artificial turf but rather real plants. Barbara H. was asked to be the point person for collecting ideas on appropriate plants. The Parks Department will also make recommendations. On the south entryway, the Association may be asked to pay for tiles, lettering, etc. which was understood.

Under New Business, Ric discussed a letter he had received from Marty Kiar, the Property Appraiser of Broward County, related to a new program called Owner Alert. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes.

Also under New Business, Ric mentioned he has a volunteer who would like to start a quarterly or bi-monthly newsletter. He suggested that our local politicians could submit articles of interest to the neighborhood and eventually we could add advertisements. The newsletter can be delivered electronically to those who wish or by U.S. mail. He will ask the individual to make a presentation at the July board meeting.

A discussion ensued regarding changing the day of board meetings. Upon polling the board, it was determined that future meetings will be held on the third Wednesday at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

### Committee Reports:

Airport & Noise Abatement – Need liaison

Crime Watch/Traffic & Safety – Officer John Davis reported only three incidents in May:

- (1) Auto theft 1 at 5951 NE 14 Lane on May 19<sup>th</sup>. The vehicle was recovered, stripped, in Miami.
- (2) Burglary Auto 1 at 5220 NE 14 Way. The victim's old drug dealer that he owed money to vandalized and stole items from his vehicle.
- (3) Aggravated Battery 1 at 1760 NE 52<sup>nd</sup> Street. Neighbor cut another neighbor with a small knife, a very minor cut. The investigation is ongoing.

Environmental Sustainability - Need liaison

Green Your Routine – Barbara Hume reported we are scheduled for grooming at the Butterfly Garden on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. We also will have an Adopt-a-Street cleanup on either June 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>. She will send out a notice soliciting volunteers for both on Next Door.

Hospitality – Rita Goldfine and Marie Benedetto: Social hours suspended.

Membership/Communications/Social Media – Ric advised he wants to reorganize this committee to separate membership from communications and social media. Bruce Hedges will chair the Membership Committee which will consist of five people per the by-laws. Rita Goldfine, Marie Benedetto and Barbara Hume have all expressed an interest in being on the committee. He would like another member of the committee to come from the Moms of CRI group to help bring in some of the younger families. The main focus of the Membership Committee will be to build up membership in the Association and contact members who express an interest in participating on a committee or on the board on their membership applications. The quadrant leaders could also contact those who volunteer. In addition, the membership application needs to be revamped so that new owners who are offered free membership in the CRICA their first year know that they must return the form so they can be added to the membership rolls. The Membership Committee was asked to prepare revisions and bring them to the next meeting.

Rosie Shade has expressed interest in chairing Social Media, and Ric will follow through with the individual who is interested in re-establishing a Newsletter for the Communication component.

School Board – Chet Lutwick has expressed interest in chairing this committee again, and Ric will contact him.

Waterways - Dottie Bassano: No report.

The next meeting will be held on July 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Committee chairs were asked to bring their plans to that meeting.

There being no further business, on motion of Jack Hyman, seconded by Barbara Boruch, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Hume



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