GULF GATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2021
Cass Smith residence
Sarasota, FL 34231

Meeting Called to Order: 6:35 PM

Attendees: John Van Vleet (P), Daniel Black (VP), Karen Goodrich (T), Andrew Gamble (S), Ann Matthews (D), Cass Smith (D), Mary Vinsh (D).
Absent: Kathy Butler (D), Carol Connolly (D), Kevin Emmett.

Officer's Reports

Approval of Board Minutes: Board meeting minutes for the April meeting accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Due to the transfer to a new treasurer, there will not be a Treasurer's report for April. The report will resume in May.

Old Business

Airbnb / Short Term Rentals: A resident volunteer will be helping GGCA board coordinate a response to short term rental complaints. A.M. is providing landlord information from demographics database. Residents will be able to log complaints about short term rentals, including pictures, on new GGCA website. J.V. would also like to create an FAQ section of the new website for short term rental information.

GGCA Website Update: J.V. and D.B. have been working with Empowered Marketing on the website updates. F.V. demoed the new website to the board. It is expected to be launched by the end of May. J.V. and D.B. are also working to get advertising from businesses in Gulf Gate Village on the site.

New Business

Loose dogs in Gulf Gate: Resident T.G. discussed the danger of loose dogs in Gulf Gate and an incident where an off-leash dog knocked her from her bike.

New Treasurer – K.G.: K.G. is working with K.B. and A.M. to get up to date and balance the checkbook.

Welcoming Chair: A.M. is going to contact previous Welcoming chair to find out if they still want to be the Welcoming Chair. J.V. wants to add additional information to the welcome folder.

A.M. made a motion to create a Gulf Gate welcome folder that will include advertising from local businesses, cost of folders and printing not to exceed $500. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Chair: Membership chair position is open.

Estoppel Letters: J.V. prepared 3 estoppel letters during the month of April.

Committee Reports

Demographics: A.M. reported there are currently 366 paid memberships as of the end of May 4th.

K.G. made a motion to send out a reminder invoice in May to residents who have not yet paid. Motion passed unanimously. A.M. and J.V. will create and print the invoice.

Beautification / Infrastructure Update:

Resurfacing Project: C.S. reported that the resurfacing project is progressing rapidly throughout Gulf Gate with bike lane striping to be completed last. No problems reported.

Lift Stations: No update on lift stations. C.S. has a call in with the county for more information.

Elligraw Bayou: County has sprayed for invasive plants in the bayou. C.S. is continuing to work with her contracts at the county to find out when addition spraying and invasive plant removal can happen.

Comcast Contractor Digging: Comcast has not been proactive in notifying residents when burying lines.

Entrance Wall: County removed rock around entrance wall when working on lift station. J.V. approved purchasing additional rock and paint for edging, not to exceed $200.

Golf Course: According to golf course owner, golf course will be mowed within the next week.

Save Our Sidewalks: C.S. is still awaiting county inspector's feedback so we understand their criteria before we put this out for volunteer help. County is currently experiencing a staffing shortage.

Safety Committee and Emergency Prep: No updates on traffic safety. C.C. has tested the generator and is keeping the radios charged.

J.V. reported that Deputy Hicks has offered Neighborhood Watch signs – as many as we want.

Deed Restrictions:

Total Complainants: 26
Complying / Resolved: 20
President's Letter: 6
Sent to Legal: 1
Ongoing: 5

Other Comments:

Next Board Meeting: The next board meeting is Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:30pm, location: C.S. residence

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm.

Respectfully submitted Friday, May 28, 2021
A.G., Secretary