

**GVLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
TARA PRESERVE COMMUNITY CENTER
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM

President Andy Russell called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. A quorum was established with all Board members present - Andy Russell, Ken Filow, Donna McGregor, Mary Courneya, and Bernie Comeau. Also present was Judie Littell, LCAM representing PCM.

The list of Members attending today's Board meeting appears at the end of this report.

PROOF OF NOTICE

The meeting date, time, and location was posted on the GVLA website as well as the TV Community Channel, and on the Tara Preserve Community Center bulletin board, in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association and requirements of the Florida Statutes.

DISPOSITION OF PRIOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

Andy Russell **motioned**, seconded by Mary Courneya, to approve the minutes of January 25, 2018. **The motion passed unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Grabowski resigned as Treasurer after the January, 2018 Board meeting. Ken Filow is filling in as Treasurer until the Annual Meeting in March, 2018.

Balance ending December 31, 2017, and carryover into 2018, was \$51,000.

Cost per unit monthly assessment will not change and remains at \$130 for 2018. There are no large projects to fund this year. There are sufficient funds to cover the 2018 budget.

Andy Russell **motioned**, seconded by Mary Courneya, to accept the Treasurer's Report. **The motion passed unanimously.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Andy Russell discussed the oak tree situation in the association. Reference was made to Florida State Senator, Greg Steube, who is promoting a bill (SB 574) which will allow Manatee and Sarasota homeowners to control removal of trees on their property - without County approval. GVLA will continue to follow this for the benefit of our association - from roots killing grass to heaving driveways and sidewalks and damaging irrigation and fiberoptic lines.

FLP completed an assessment of GVLA oak trees and created a spreadsheet of levels based on "need to be removed". The Board will discuss after the Annual Meeting.

The current status of GVLA members is 210 (of original 231) with a few more properties yet to submit their Joinder forms.

Judicial decision on TMA vs Lake Lincoln - SR 70 AND TARA COMMERCIAL BUSINESS (III BB) is still pending. Legal recommendations by TMA are to be submitted by February 26. Possible mediated recommendations would include condominium housing, rather than commercial, use.

OLD BUSINESS

The requested financial meeting has not been scheduled by PCM yet. Judie Littell will follow up.

Members were reminded of the March 15, 2018 Annual Meeting and to review the packets mailed to them. Proxy forms were included and need to be completed.

ARC continues its review of properties for maintenance violations. The list of those who opted out, or were dropped by GVLA for excessive arrears, was provided to TMA and ARC as these properties will now be under their guidelines. If any properties are sold, new owners will be invited to complete the Joinder to be included in GVLA.

The issue of back flow valves was raised again by the audience. As per the January 25, 2018 Board meeting, the maintenance of back flow valves will remain with the property owner.

FLORIDA LAWN PROS

Joe Bratcher was invited to the Board meeting to discuss landscape issues and take questions from the audience. He spent over an hour addressing Member concerns.

Conflict of servicing non-GVLA properties was raised. FLP will not offer the same rate for service to non-Members.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Filow made a **motion** to create a Budget Committee, chaired by Paul McGregor, to work with the Treasurer, effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Andy Russell and **passed unanimously**.

Andy Russell brought forward to the audience a request to pay the increased fee to notarize a Joinder outside the country. The response was no. Andy Russell **motioned**, seconded by Mary Courneya, to advise the Member that GVLA would not pay the notary fee. The **motion passed unanimously**.

Ken Filow made a **motion**, seconded by Andy Russell, to waive any Aged Owner outstanding balances of \$10 or less. The **motion passed unanimously**. Judie Littell will advise PCM accounting to make this correction.

The audience raised the issue of a second Annual Meeting mailing to Members with bios included of anyone wishing to join the GVLA Board. Judie Littell agreed to have PCM send a second mailing March 1, 2018 - with bios. In anticipation of an election at the Annual Meeting, PCM will prepare ballots with the names of those who have submitted a candidate form.

ADJOURNMENT

Andy Russell **motioned**, seconded by Ken Filow, to adjourn the meeting at 12:07 p.m. The **motion passed unanimously**.

Respectfully Submitted
Donna McGregor
Secretary, GVLA

MEMBERS ATTENDING BOARD MEETING

Anthony Inverso
Pam Huebschman
Dan LaFerriere
Michele Redwine
Mary Buckley
Dorothy Bryson
Cynthia and Roland Perkins
Ellen Linton
Marilyn Ferguson
Dan Powers
Carolyn Munro
Geof Boole
Bill Beale
Marshall Lewis