

FRIENDS OF ST. SEBASTIAN RIVER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 at 4:00 PM
ONLINE VIA GOOGLE MEET

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE--Pres. Glover called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM. In attendance were Zingman, Herrmann, Held, Greene, Stephen, and Sabol. Secretary Peterson joined late by phone.

CALL FOR ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA--NONE.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (pp.2-3AP)--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Zingman, that we approve the Minutes from the September 8th BOD meeting; approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT (pp.4-11AP)--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Greene, that we approve the treasurer's report; approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT--PIAS/FSSR LETTER TO SJRWMD RE MILLAGE RATE--Tim reported that the letters we co-wrote with PIAS requesting that they maintain the FY 2019-2020 millage rate was not taken into consideration; the District voted to adopt the rollback rate, thus reducing funding for clean water projects within our county and state.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1)IRC/Powell-Ryall home office meeting with Susan Adams--Tim learned that there has been some pushback from County Commissioner Fletcher regarding our taking over of the house. The sheriff may be allowed to stay longer due to personal reasons. Bill Brennan has offered his home office desk to us now that he is moving and the Petersons have offered up a dresser for the upstairs bedroom suite in case a member of Americorps should need short-term housing.

2)Strategic plan progress--Goal 4, Board Development(pp. 12-14AP)--Tim suggested that he and Buzz consider these items by themselves, i.e. board development, succession planning, hiring part-time staff once we have office space.

3)Rudy's memorial tree, Dale Wimbrow Park, County approved--Buzz made a motion, seconded by Carol Lynn, that we pay up to \$50 for a Little Gem Magnolia. Tim noted that we will have to check in with the park ranger re tree location; Robin Laird has offered to water it for us on a regular basis once it is planted.

NEW BUSINESS--CWC -weekly water sampling for enteric bacteria; results-www.cwcirc.org/water-quality-monitoring--CWC board member Judy Orcutt inquired if we could provide volunteers for sampling in the St. Sebastian River and would check with the CWC board to see if they would consider underwriting the cost for our sample(s). Bruce Sabol and Terry Greene offered to volunteer for a few of the weekly sampling days; volunteer FSSR members will also be sought out. IR County Health Dept. to provide for the lab testing of samples.

Tim also noted that he sent congratulatory letters to new City Council members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advocacy--Herrmann

~SJRWMD permits--no report

~ACOE permits--no report

~CWC letter requesting support (pp.15-16AP)--no decision needed

~Canal aerial survey/Ted Beck--Ted has created an awesome video for us.

Tim will be in touch with Ted about what else he has in mind to do.

Educational Outreach--Bolton/Stephen

~ Intl. coastal Cleanup-KIRB--date has been moved to Oct. 17th due to holidays in Sept.

~A Day in the Life of IRL, Oct. 24th, Dale Wimbrow Park (pp.17-46AP)--

Tim noted that no student volunteers will be participating this year; he has ordered a water sampling test kit for under \$70 so that we provide testing for ADIL. Test kit has supplies for 10 tests.

Financial--Greene/Kluepfel, Quickbooks (p. 47 AP)

~Our new treasurer Terry Greene noted that all our data exists presently on the one PC set up for the office. He posed the question as to whether we should upgrade our QuickBooks software from the present 2012 Desktop Edition to a more flexible Online Edition. No decision was made until we know more about "future location, accessibility, and costs considerations."

Governance--Herrmann--Tim and Buzz will meet to discuss goal 4 (pp.12-14 AP).

Information-Glover

website update--new virtual trails tours pages are under construction. Sandy Peterson has been actively photographing plant and wildlife on all trails for the past few months.

Membership--vacant-Tim noted that the November Newsletter will remind members to renew for another year.

Publicity-Held--Julia is seeking links or pics to post on our Facebook page. Buzz requested that she write an article to be published in our Nov. newsletter, to which she agreed.

Volunteer-vacant

ADJOURNMENT--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Glover. that the meeting be adjourned; approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Carol Lynn Peterson
FSSR Secretary**