

FRIENDS OF ST. SEBASTIAN RIVER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2022, 4 PM at Ryall House

**CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE**--Pres. Glover called the meeting to order at 4:08 PM.

In attendance were Greene(treasurer), Herrmann(vice-pres.), Peterson(secretary) and directors Bolton, Bondy, and Stephen. Absent was Zingman. Advisory board member Hinck was also present.

**CALL FOR ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**--None

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**--(AP, PP.2-3)--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Greene, to accept the Minutes from the March 8, 2022 meeting; all voted in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**--(AP, pp.4-11)--Greene reported that our website cost has doubled and that we owe two \$500 checks for Schum award winners, but that we are balanced as of the end of March. Bolton made a motion, seconded by Stephen, that we accept the report; all voted in favor.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**--1) Notice from insurance broker of fee for certificate with 3rd party--we owe \$75 to I.R. County for use of their facility. 2) Ryall house update--a tree has fallen between the shed and house and needs to be cut up by County, office still needs to be settled, deck railing needs to be stained, security system needs to be set up. Discussion ensued as to how to deal with guests. Perhaps we should create a list of behavioral do's and don'ts?

3)email inquiry from Andy Hodges of Sebastian Daily News merits no response.(AP, pp.12-13)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1)Possible legal assistance from local attorney re manatees and herbicide issues--Ashley Novander replied to Stephen that costs would be prohibitive, beginning at \$20,000.

2)Status of Center for Biological Diversity, Defenders of Wildlife and Save the Manatee Club Suit of EPA, re manatees, from Earthjustice(AP, pp. 14-46)--Tim received word from Earthjustice that no suit has yet been filed and that we would be kept informed.

3)Cox to contact attorney Glenn re Fl. statutes on herbicide permits, update?--none

**NEW BUSINESS**

MRC Membership basic level is \$35--Stephen made a motion, seconded by Herrmann, that we join at basic level; all voted in favor.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

~Advocacy--Herrmann asked that Board members sign up to help out at Earth Day. We will hand out to the public packets consisting of the following: membership appl. form, 2 letters from Dr. Baker, 1 letter from Grant Gilmore and Bill Loftus, a petition (to be drafted by Glover) to help protect our waterways and canals from poisonous spraying.

~SJRWMD permits--Gardens at Waterstone Phase 3, Cypress Bay West at Waterstone Phase 3, Brisben Coquina Mine Phase 3, Micco Rd bridge replacement (Sotille Canal)--700 homes, canal supplies drainage, which eventually runs into SSR.

~ACOE permits--none

~PIAS March 2022 Peligram excerpt reprint(AP,pp.47-48)--copies of these letters will be included in our handouts on Earth Day.

~IRC MPO Visioning-Laura Moss email-(AP, pp.49-53)--Draft Final Report will be considered. Public urged to attend, as future growth management is the main topic.

~Awards (ad hoc)--Schum Award nominees Lucas Bush and Justin Land, SRHS Ceremony, April 19, 2022 at 7 PM--Greene made a motion, seconded by Herrmann, that we accept the committee's choice of winners; all voted in favor. In future, Glover will request a synopsis of winners' qualifications and why chosen.

~Education/Outreach--Bolton/Stephen

- Planting a Refuge for Wildlife booklet, order of 25 submitted--Glover still waiting on results

-Environmental Enhancement Award--give more than one each year?--Since this is not a monetary award, directors chose to seek several names from among our membership.

-Audubon Adventures(AP, pp.54-55)--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Peterson, that we purchase five packets (to be chosen by Glover) for educational outreach; all voted in favor.

-Kayak Paddle Fest event(AP, p. 56)--Bolton and Hinck have tied up all loose ends. Lovely poster created, to be handed out at Earth Day and sent online. No paid advertising, just word of mouth and social media.

-ELC Lagoon Fest, May 21, 10AM to 4PM--to participate, we must pay \$100 or come up with a free activity for kids.

-KIRB Great American Cleanup, March 21 to June 22

~Financial--Greene, annual corp. and IRS completed--Greene reported that all deadlines have been met.

~Governance--Herrmann--no update

~Information--Glover, website update--no update/ in progress, [www.fssr.org/tours.htm](http://www.fssr.org/tours.htm)  
Glover may add some of Peterson's insect pics soon.

~Membership--Herrmann--will meet with Glover soon.

~Publicity--Penny Phillips(AP, pp.57-58)

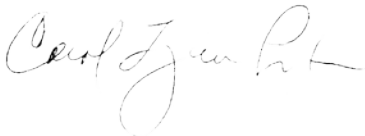
~Volunteer--vacant

ADJOURNMENT--Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Greene, that the meeting be adjourned at 5:30 PM; all voted in favor.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1)Next BOD meeting--May 10, 4PM, Ryall House
- 2)Blue-Green Algae Task Force Report, March 25-31, 2022 (AP, p. 59)
- 3)IRC MPO Draft Final Visioning Report meeting, IRC Admin. B1-501, Apr. 13, 2PM
- 4)SJRWMD Southern Recreation Lands meeting, Apr. 13, 6-8 PM, Palm Bay office
- 5)City of Sebastian Earth Day, Apr. 23, 9AM to 4 PM, Riverview Park
- 6)IR Lagoon Day, Front Street Park, Melbourne, Nov. 5, 2022

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Lynn Peterson  
FSSR Secretary