

FSSR Board of Director's Meeting
Tuesday, September 8, 2020, online via Google Meet

Call to Order/Attendance: Glover called the meeting to order at approx. 4:10pm. In attendance: Bondy, Brennan, Glover, Greene, Held, Sabol, Stephen and Zingman. Bolton and Herrmann joined after the start of the meeting.

Call for Agenda additions: Bondy inquired about details from recent St. Johns River WMD BMAP meeting for our local area; needs follow-up.

Minutes from previous meeting: Brennan moved to approve minutes of June 9, 2020, second by Bondy, approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: ref. pp. 4-14 of agenda; motion to approve by Bondy, second by Brennan, approved unanimously.

President's Report: late request from Pelican Island Audubon to sign onto a letter to the St. Johns River WMD, re. keeping their millage rate the same as last year vs. the proposed decrease. Glover approved the FSSR support/signing the letter due to short notice.

Unfinished Business

1. Ryall house/office – no change, Glover discussed his contact with Beth Powell and Comm. Susan Adams. Beth says they have received CR510 widening design plans from the FDOT. Wildlife/pedestrian underpass to be located at Lateral C canal (west side of Ryall property) and much frontage will be taken for new bridge.
2. Strategic Plan progress, Goal 3, Education/Outreach reviewed – Glover reviewed items in this goal. We are behind on some of the items. Discussion about materials we can pull together to make available and how to present online, e.g. social media and our website. Discussion about how to handle online meetings and public presentations.
3. Discussion about a social gathering, postponing from November into the winter so that we can hopefully hold it at the Ryall house and comply with public gatherings.
4. Phillips property, Roseland Rd. clearing violation – County has delivered notice to owners requiring some restoration of on riverfront.

New Business

1. Invasive Plant brochure – \$100 FSSR contribution for the reprinting and print as many copies as can be done with the grant funding and \$200 donation from Eugenia Chapter, FL Native Plant Society. Motion by Stephen to stay with \$100 contribution, second by Brennan, approved unanimously.
2. Motion to approve Terry Greene as Treasurer and as Board member until next annual meeting in January 2021 by Herrmann, second by Bondy, approved unanimously.
3. Rudy's memorial tree, Dale Wimbrow Park – possible replacement options – Little Gem magnolia, sweet bay magnolia, wild lime, pigeon plum, citrus(?).
4. George Glenn – Herrmann asked that we write a letter of thanks for his work on the Graves Bros. annexation issue and nominate for our annual Environmental Enhancement Award.
5. Request received for possible endorsement of Janice Broda for IRC Mosquito Control Board – FSSR does not endorse candidates.
6. Bolton confirmed that she will run for City of Sebastian Council in November. Board agreed that if she is elected, she would need to resign from our Board.

Committee Reports

Advocacy – St. Johns River WMD permit by All Aboard FL train for oyster move with Brevard Zoo was not permitted. Will they still have to move oyster bed?

No Army Corps of Engineer permits.

Glover working on letter to Ken Griffin, City of Sebastian stormwater. Stephen asked for letter to be sent to City regarding maintenance of canals/herbicide use. Herrmann to coordinate statement for FSSR and other groups at upcoming Sebastian Council meeting on annexation and our priorities.

Stephen also suggested aerial survey of canals; Glover suggested member Ted B. may be able to help out.

Bolton has heard positive feedback on condition of the river without the canal spraying.

Education/Outreach – Day in the Life of the IRL, Oct 8, Stephen to check with Missy Weiss to confirm event Intl Coastal Cleanup, Sept. 19th; KIRB postponed until Oct. 17th, we will participate then with river cleanup.

Meeting adjourned 6:05pm

Respectfully submitted

Buzz Herrmann

Secretary Pro Tem