

SLA REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 9th, 2024

6:00 P.M. SLA Clubhouse

Attendees

	Present	Absent
Jim Cazes	X	
Don Frattini	X	
Mike Hayes	X	
Shannon Long		X
Samantha Montoya	X	
Doug Pacas	X	
Jennifer St Cyr	X	
Ray Smith	X	
Joe Joseph		X

Minutes

1. Call to Order - Doug Pacas, President, called the meeting to order at 6:05pm. A quorum was present.
2. The minutes of the November Meeting and the Meeting after the Budget Forum will be presented later.
3. Committee Reports
 - a. Club – Doug Pacas –
 - i. Attempts are being made to clean the black algae out of the pool.
 - ii. There are necessary tasks in the off season to keep the pool and club maintained.
 - iii. A new Club liaison will be necessary as Mike is leaving the SLA Board.
 - b. Council- Sam –
 - i. Platform over the lake: The case is lingering. Sam spoke with the SLA Attorney today. If the case goes to court, Sam will be available to testify even though she is moving out of the neighborhood. Sam will be meeting with the SLA lawyer this week to discuss developments.

- c. Membership – Don –
 - i. Lot 60 foreclosure. The sheriff's office still has not received writ from the clerk of court to put the property up for sheriff's auction. Don called the bank's lawyer in New Orleans to ask for the SLA dues payment.
 - ii. There is one new resident.
 - iii. Ballots for the dues assessment and officers for the SLA and LSCA are being returned. A careful count is being made to assure a quorum exists. Currently, 90% of the necessary Lake Lot ballots have been received and 75% of the necessary Off Lake Lot ballots have been received.
- d. Communications – Don-
 - i. The email readership was greater than 70% this month.
 - ii. Website: No additional meetings have occurred with Lisa. The website is a priority for 2024. Mike recommended that we collaborate with The Club to create a joint website. Don mentioned that new residents have been viewing the website before moving into the subdivision. In some cases to help determine if Lake Sherwood Acres is a good fit for their family.
- e. Federation of Baton Rouge Civic Assoc. – Don –
 - i. The Federation will hold its next meeting this month.
- f. Finance and Treasurer's Report – Doug
 - i. The SLA is about \$7,000 under budget for 2023. Most of it is unspent security money and unspent lake maintenance money.
 - ii. The NET Worth as of 12/31/2023 is \$67,577.31.
 - iii. The Club has received all reserve money for 2023. No more money can be disbursed until the assessment money is received.
 - iv. The emergency CD will roll over in February 2024. Doug and Shannon will look for a new bank vendor with higher interest rates to roll the money into.
 - v. Jim made a motion to accept the financial statement. Don 2nd the motion and all voted in favor.
- g. Grounds – Doug
 - i. Wells put in the new winter plants and the beds look great.
- h. Lake – Jim
 - i. Everything looks good in the Lake. (God filled it up. 😊)
- i. Security – Jim Cazes –
 - i. All is quiet.

- ii. Thanks to everyone who keeps alarms on, cars locked and police patrols rolling.
 - j. Welcoming – Mike Hayes – No Change
 - k. Realtor Liaison – Mike Hayes – No Change.
 - l. Special Projects – Ray – No Change.
4. Unfinished Business –
- a. Beautification has been deferred to 2024.
5. New Business –
- a. 2024 Budget –
 - i. LSCA 2024 - Kyle and Bonnie presented clear, transparent details including:
 - 1 The SELA contract to maintain the chemicals and cleaning of the pool.
 - 2 The decrease in staff costs.
 - 3 A new POS system to accept credit cards for snacks.
 - 4 The projected 2024 LSCA budget requires \$1,463 more than in 2023.
 - ii. Projected Dues: It was presented to the membership that the proposed dues will be:
 - 1 Off Lake Lot Dues \$485
 - 2 Lake Lot Dues \$725
 - iii. Christmas Decorations – Sam
 - 1 In previous years, the decorations were time-consuming to install, and they were too small for the arches.
 - 2 This year, Sam took wreath frames and wrapped them with our existing garland and existing gold bows. The newly created decoration took one person to hang and remove.
 - 3 The residents' house decorations were AWESOME this year. The competition is now over, and the recognition signs have been returned to the SLA storage for use next year.
 - b. Homeless Camp Behind Baby Dolls –
 - i. On December 9th, an amazing cleanup crew lead by Keep Tiger Town Beautiful directed about 60 volunteers as debris was removed from the encampment.
 - ii. The encampment contained pallets, propane tanks, tarps with poles and a roof. Garbage and debris filled multiple dumpsters.

- iii. Some residents donated extra money to remove the additional foliage around the property. There is visibility and the area is not attractive to homeless individuals anymore.
 - iv. The Lake Sherwood Acres residents who own adjacent properties are grateful. Fires have stopped, theft has stopped, refuse has been removed and the rodent issue has been resolved.
 - v. Please support Keep Tiger Town Beautiful by volunteering and donating.
- c. Tree Down in Canal –
- i. A tree has fallen in the access way UP Stream from Lake Sherwood.
 - ii. Flooding on Coursey Blvd and in the subdivision upstream from Lake Sherwood Acres is possible.
 - iii. Sam will send an email to the flood plane management office to alert them of the issue and show them photos of the potential flood hazard.
 - iv. Doug will work with the resident and The City to see what each can do to remedy the situation.
- d. Boil & Roux:
- i. Cinco de Mayo issues were resolved with a fine.
 - ii. 30 days were granted to permit the outdoor area.
 - iii. The next ABC Board meeting is January 11th and Boil & Roux is on the agenda. They are working with the permit Board to resolve the unpermitted seating in the parking lot.
- e. THANK YOU TO JOE, MIKE, AND SAMANTHA FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SLA BOARD. You will be greatly missed!
6. Move to Adjourn - Don made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23. Sam seconded the motion.

The next SLA board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6th, at 6pm.

Accounting Attachments

Statement of Net Worth
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