**P. I. E. Board Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, April 10th, 2017**

**Held at Tom Roth’s Home, Bocilla Drive**

**Present:** Jeff Bisgrove, Gary Galloway, Cori Hane Palmere, Wayne Ratajack, Lindsay Yates, Linda Cotherman, Vicki Millette-Riley and Sally B Johnson.

**Guest:** Pat Gordon

**Absent:** Gerry Illiano, Dave Witters, Tom Roth and Heather Stout

Meeting called to order at 5:06 PM

**Pat Gordon addressed the board-**requesting $350 of the $1,200 budgeted for access maintenance to purchase Behr stain for the 3 beach walkovers. She will volunteer her time, “team” and brushes for the project. The P.I.E. board was very appreciative of Pat’s help.

Linda C. Moved that the funds for stain be provided for the walkover project.

Sally B-J Second

Motion passed 8-yes 0-no

**Meeting minutes.**

Gary G. Motion to accept the minutes from March 13, 2017

Lindsay Y-Second

Motion passed 8-yes 0-no

**Treasurer’s Report**

Lindsay Y. presented the report and answered any clarifying questions that were asked.

Vicki M-R Motion to accept the treasurer’s report.

Gary G –Second

Motion passed 8-yes 0-no

**Committee Reports**

**Info Central**

Sally B-J shared that nothing is currently planned. It was discussed that in the fall County Commissioner, Bill Truex, be invited to speak.

**Social/Event Updates**

Band in the Sand was discussed. Wayne R. and Jeff B. updated the board with general info regarding the set-up and running of the event. Board members volunteered for time shifts to collect money. The money will be designated to the “Action Fund” to support legal issues.

**Island Watch**

Linda C. reported

The water rate increase hearing in Tallahassee has been postponed and is rescheduled for May 4th. The attorney working for P.I.E. continues to represent the island residents with this issue. It is not clear how many times the hearing can be postponed.

Roads and Bridges:

* The unpaved roads on the island continue to be worked on and residents are pleased with the results.
* It was determined by the County that the hard road does not need to be resurfaced before 7-10 years.
* The boards on the bridge are designed to wear and be replaced. The County is in the process of obtaining an engineering report to determine the scope and cost of this project.

**Environmental/WHPP**

No report

**Old Business**

* Issue with Panama Blvd and golf carts was discussed. Linda C. reported that the Placida Roads and Bridges Committee has declined to proceed with its recommendation to the County that golf carts be permitted to operate on Panama Blvd. Linda C. will ask for a meeting with County Commissioner Truex to ask him to support P.I.E.’s request to change to ordinance to allow golf carts on Panama Blvd.
* Poker Run-We need to coordinate picking a date with Bocilla Islands Conservancy for the event. Probably in the fall.
* Nomination of new board member-The email blast asking for nominees to fill the vacant board position did not happen. The need for another board member was discussed again.

Lindsay Y -Motion to not fill the position at this time.

Wayne R. Second

Motion Passed 8-yes 0-No

**New Business**

Discussion of the “P.I.E.” (Standing ) Committees. Document needing to be revisited and updated. Need a board liaison for each committee.

* Membership Committee typically looks for new board members. It was felt that an “Email Blast” can serve that purpose.
* Cori P and Sally B-J volunteered to join the “Island Scholarship” committee.
* Vicki M-R assists with House Numbers for new P.I.E. members.
* Lindsay Y and Pat Gordon coordinate Island Clean-Up

Linda C. brought to the board’s attention the fact that Chief Taylor, the first woman Fire Chief in Punta Gorda, is retiring and that there is a movement to name a new fire tower after her. Because of Chief Taylor’s history supporting the island, Linda asked if PIE would be interested in showing its support of this honor in writing. Linda would write a letter to this effect.

Linda C.- Motion P.I.E. should write a letter stating P.I.E.’s support of Chief Taylor’s honoring.

Gary G. –Second

Motion passed 8-yes 0-no

Jeff B. discussed concerns regarding speeding issues on the island. He will look into and report back the cost of devices to monitor and identify speeders.

Wayne R. brought up the topic of a web cam at the ferry to allow residents to monitor the line up at the ferry. He will look into cost.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn meeting: Cori P.

Second: Lindsay

Motion passed 8: yes 0: no

**6:30 PM**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Cori Hane Palmere-Secretary**