

MINUTES FOR THE 6th ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

VG&RC COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

MARCH 26, 2013

AT THE RIVER CLUB

VENICE, FLORIDA

PRESENT:

Executive Committee Members:

John Moeckel - President
Roger Effron – exec VP
Jerry Jasper - VP
Lance Hewitson - VP
Tom Jones - Secretary

Board members, Association members and others: approximate total of 43

1. Call to order: John Moeckel, President, called the meeting to order at 6:08pm on March 26, 2013, and declared that a quorum of members and voting proxies was present and that a notice of the meeting had been properly given in advance to the membership. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes from last year's annual meeting, which are posted on the website, and the motion was made and there was unanimous approval.

2. Board member vote: John reviewed the change made last year that reduced our board of directors from 43 to 13. Six board members are up for new 2 year terms, and they are:

Bill Dwyer
Christina Greenstein
Tom Jones
Jerry Jasper
Jerry Flood
Bob Samuel

He asked for additional nominations from the floor and none were made. A motion was made and seconded to close the nominations. John asked for a vote of unanimous acclamation for the entire slate and the members agreed.

3. Treasurers Report: John Moeckel, President, gave the treasurer's report for Christina Greenstein, Treasurer, who was unable to attend this meeting. He reported that the Association has a balance in our account of \$54,463. He said this balance is not dedicated to any specific purpose at this time and is being held in reserve for such needs as legal expenses. The 3 year dues payment option, which is new this year, has resulted in a larger amount of dues collected as 145 members chose this option. (221 paid for 1 year and 68 paid for 2 years.)

4. Secretary's Report: Tom Jones, Secretary, notified those in attendance that the minutes from all board meetings in the past 18 months are available to be viewed on our website, along with other information such as our By-Laws and other documents.

5. Membership Report: Lance Hewitson, Membership Chair, reported that to date we have 434 new or renewed members. This compares to 455 members for all of 2012 and 417 for 2011. He said that about 500 residents have never joined the Association and he asked for assistance in spreading the word on the value of membership.

6. Association mission and objectives: John Moeckel repeated our mission statement to work for the betterment of the Venetian community. He said the board is working to update the VGRCCA website and he thanked Jerry Jasper and Dell Klingensmith for their efforts on the site. *Parcels From Paradise* goes out to all Venetian residents and he thanked Roger Efron and Tom Jones for their work every month to get this newsletter out. Other improvements to look forward to in 2013 include:

- Jacaranda Blvd. extension project to connect Border and Laurel Roads is on schedule for completion by September. This road is funded by impact fees that all homeowners have paid.
- New Publix store at Laurel and Pinebrook Roads will open in late August.
- The 2013 Venetian resident directory is at the printer and will be ready in April. John thanked Charlene Moeckel and her team for their work on this and also to the Castle property management staff of David Liston and Kareen Richard for their assistance.

7. Audience questions:

- What is the purpose of the reserve fund? *Held for legal or other significant unknown expense*
- What are the Association's largest expenses? *D&O and general liability insurance policies*
- What is threshold for a maximum amount in the fund? *None at this time*
- Why are there problems receiving e-mails from the Association? *Please leave us your e-mail address so we can check on this*
- What is the reason for the Jacaranda extension road? *To give residents and businesses another road to enter or exit the East Laurel Road area*

8. Venice Police Department discussion: Two officers from VPD spoke to the group about improving communications and getting resident feedback. They encouraged Venetian residents to call the VPD on the direct line – 486-2444 as well as 911 for emergency calls.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm on Tuesday, March 26, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Jones
Secretary