

THE CASEY KEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
RAMADA HOTEL VENEZIA
JANUARY 24, 2017

President Art Wood called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Connie Davis, Jo Hale, Art Wood, Valerie Dall'Acqua, Julie DeRice, Lisa Napolitano, Randy Burcham, Michael Thomas

County Commissioner Charles Hines

Special guest Charles Hines discussed recent activities at the county level. Discussions with the Atlanta Braves baseball team have been moving along rapidly. Plans are underway for them to establish spring training in North Port. The new Venice Library construction is slated to begin in the summer 2017. All of Casey Key Rd. is scheduled for repaving in the county's 2018 fiscal year. Rowing has become an important asset for the area. After the Sarasota Crew organization bought a property for a rowing facility on Bay Street in Osprey, the county purchased the adjacent property for additional kayak and rowing launch areas.

Sarasota County Sheriff's Department – Deb Kaspar

Deb is our new liaison from the Sherriff's office. She is available for any questions and any issues that may arise. She spoke specifically about crime prevention. She mentioned the types of crime they've recently seen throughout the county including distraction break-ins, surveillance break-ins and boat theft. Overall, crime has decreased in Sarasota County in the past several years.

Certification of Quorum

Valerie Dall'Acqua reported that there were 39 proxies and when added to the 59 members in attendance, there was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting

There was a motion by Bob Metzger to accept the minutes. Dennis Doughty seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report and Adoption of the 2016 Budget

Julie reviewed the income and expenses from last year. There was a slight deficit primarily due to legal expense that was covered through our reserve fund. She proposed a balanced budget for 2017 and said that copies of the Treasurer's Report and the 2017 Budget were provided to each member at check in. We have budgeted expense and income in line with last year's numbers. As in years past, the majority of the budget is allocated toward security without any increase over last year. No funds were allocated to capital spending on roads or cameras.

It was moved by Bob Lumpkins to accept the Treasurer's Report and 2016 Budget. The motion carried, the report was accepted and the budget was unanimously accepted.

RESOLUTION ON 2016 CKA DUES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"The Membership Delegates to the Board of Directors the authority to set the Casey Key Association Dues; for 2017 dues shall be \$275, for a single property, \$375, for two properties, \$475 for three or more properties and \$50 for associate members."

The motion was made Mike Thomas and seconded by Walton Beacham. The motion passed unanimously.

2016 In Review

Art Wood presented: The association worked to maintain the security and character of Casey Key, and to keep our membership informed. Selected activities included; Close contact with the sheriffs department including a traffic speeding study and analysis , Blackburn Point Rd. Park, bridge openings, flood plan ordinance, zoning and conservation district issues, storm planning and recovery issues. Other areas of focus were on the membership renewal process and communication.

Art extended a special thank you to retiring officers and directors, Randy Burcham, Andy Biser and Connie Davis.

On behalf on nominating committee chairman, Chad Weiss, Art presented the slate of officers and dorectors for 2017/2018 as follows:

2017 Officers and Directors

Nominating Committee

Chairman Dennis Doughty presented the slate of officers and Directors for 2017.

Officers

President (One Year Term)	Art Wood	1400 N Casey Key Road
Vice President (One Year Term)	Mike Thomas	709 S. Casey Key Road
Vice President (One Year Term)	Lisa Napolitano	1060 Gulf Winds Way
Secretary (One Year Term)	Valerie Dall'Acqua	2509 Casey Key Road
Treasurer (One Year Term)	Jean Parm	927 Casey Cove Drive

DIRECTORS

Two Year Term Expiring 2019	Don Casto	1211 Casey Key Road
Two Year Term Expiring 2019	Tekla Dragan	129 Casey Key Road
Two Year Term Expiring 2019	Bob Lumpkins	3109 Casey Key Road
One Year Term Expiring 2018	Ping Faulhaber	2309 Casey Key Road
One Year Term Expiring 2018	Jo Hale	411 S. Casey Key Road
One Year Term Expiring 2018	Dan Simmons	3809 Casey Key Road
One Year Term Expiring 2018	Julie DeRice	3700 Casey Key Road

Art Wood, asked for a motion to approve the slate, as presented and to approve the new board members. It was moved by Bob Metzger and seconded by Dennis Doughty to approve the slate. The slate was unanimously approved and elected.

Security Committee Report

Randy Burcham reported that the sheriff's patrols are scheduled on a random basis. The need for homeowner vigilance is our best line of defense. Always call about any suspicious activity. Lock houses, cars and boats. Set alarms even if you're just going out for a little while, close garage doors and look out for each other.

Roads and Bridges Committee Report

Randy Burcham presented: The county has our road scheduled for resurfacing in 2018. Pot holes should be reported to county Call Center (941-861-5000). The speed limit is 25 MPH – for everyone's safety, please obey.

Parks and Conservation Committee

Connie Davis spoke on behalf on Ping Faulhaber. Blackburn Park East and West Node signage issues have not been resolved. One of the main reasons for this has been a change in county staff. Connie has been working closely with new county staff to improve park traffic and signage issues.

Conservation: Casey Key has the largest number of turtle nests in Sarasota County. Sea turtle nesting season runs from May 1 until November 15. They are protected by State and Federal law and local ordinances. In addition to Casey Key having the largest number of nests in Sarasota County, proportionately we had fewer false crawls. There is to be a revision to the sea turtle ordinance to lighting in the coming year.

Casey Key Library

Casey Key Library is an independent 501 (c) 3 tax exempt organization. All Casey Key property owners are automatic members. The library features recent releases of fiction and other best seller books, DVD's and Audio CD's. Volunteer opportunities available and books and other donations are always welcome. They also sponsor 2 outreach efforts for the county Born To Read and Earning by Learning programs. Sponsored events include:

- Annual book sale - February 11 from 10 AM to 2 PM at the library.
- Book Review - April 5, 3:00 PM at the home of Fluff Thayer. It will feature historian Amy Elder and her new book, Sarasota County Islands and Beaches

Casey Key Foundation

Dennis Doughty, representing the foundation: Created in 2003 by the CKA board, its purpose is to fund projects that preserve and enhance the quality of life on Casey Key and the surrounding community. Their efforts have included beautification of Blackburn Point Park, renovation of the library and its meeting room and the bridge tenders buildings. Also contributed to the Tidewell Hosice and CK drainage project, Pine View school, Habitat for Humanity and other community projects. It's a 501(c)(3) tax deductible charitable foundation and works in coordination with the CKA. It funds projects for the beautification, preservation, renovation and community improvement

Charities

Casey Key Cares – Support of All Faith's Food Bank continues.

Christmas Toy Drive - Julie De Rice reported this was the 7th year. This year we collected nearly \$10,000 for toys and clothes, but noted that our donations also provide for basic needs, including diapers and formula. She thanked everyone for their ongoing support. Salvation Army representative Tom did work with Julie this year to fill the truck and said they did 310 senior and disabled adults, 2056 children and 871 families were helped with 4 gifts per child that includes toys but also needs. When you give \$1, .82 cents reaches the program recipients. 80% remain in Sarasota County. The Red Kettle program provides 40% of their budget for the year.

Membership Efforts

Lisa Napolitano said we're constantly looking for ways to improve membership. This year we implemented an online payment program. We also held a contest for a cover design for the directory. We'd like to get the membership drive completed before the holidays. Thomas Taylor was present and awarded the winner of the cover contest. Alison Schibelli and Gabrielle Canon are winners for the back cover design.

2017 Outlook

President, Art Wood presented:

- FOCUS ON SECURITY (Patrols and Cameras)
- COUNTY GOVERNMENT (Bridge, Road, Planning, Building, and Zoning Related Issues)
- ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE
- PARKS & CONSERVATION (Blackburn Point Park, Sea Turtle Nesting)
- Blackburn Point Bridge opening schedule
- CKA MEMBERSHIP
- Picnic

Sunday April 2, 2017 5:00 PM

New Location at Spanish Point

- Casey Key Mingle

Monday February 1, 2017 5PM

- First Monday of Every Month (October-June)
- 5PM at Casey Key Fish House Tiki Bar

Adjournment

Art Wood thanked all for coming. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7 p.m. was made and seconded from the floor. The motion was unanimously approved and the motion was passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Dall'Acqua