

Myakka Valley Ranches Improvement Association, Inc.

Board Minutes, January 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Margaret of Scotland Episcopal Church, 8700 State Road 72, Sarasota, FL 34241

Proper Notification of meeting permanently posted on sign at the guardhouse.

Board meets on the third Monday each month.

MVRIA Rule Meeting Attendance Reminder is posted and available on
MVRIA website (MVRIA.com)

Frank DiCicco called the meeting to order at 7:13 and declared a quorum.

Board members present were Frank DiCicco, Jennifer Peeples, Jackie Vizzi, Vicki Butler, Deb Houston, Mary Mapp, Heather Nestle, Wendy Ying, and Brenda Zimmerman. Amy Chenard was absent.

APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST BOARD MEETING November 19, 2018.

Frank DiCicco moved to approve the minutes for the board meeting on November 19, 2018. Jackie Vizzi seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

- 1. President's Report:** Frank DiCicco reported a problem with some kids on ATVs racing in the Valley. Frank DiCicco and Wendy Ying will speak with the parents. If a member hears shooting they should report it to the police. This is not an issue for the board to handle.
- 2. Vice-President's Report:** Jennifer Peeples reported that the ceremony for the Adopt-a-Tree dedication was well-attended.
- 3. Secretary's Report:** Jackie Vizzi reported the Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday April 27, 2019. The first informational packet will be sent to residents on March 1st, 2019. The second informational packet will be sent April 1st -9th. There will be one (possibly two) vacant seats on the board.
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Vicki Butler stated MVRIA has \$447,202.86 which will go to the roads project. Vicki Butler made a motion to include a red letter in the member's Annual Meeting informational packet if they are behind on their dues. This letter will inform them that they will not be able to vote at the annual meeting if they aren't current on their dues. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Peeples and passed unanimously.
- 5. Document Revision and Lawsuit Committee:** Frank DiCicco reported there has not been a change in the status of the Lyday appeal.
- 6. Roads Committee:** Frank DiCicco reported that a contractor has sent an initial draft for bids. It is likely that bids will be voted on in March.

7. **Saddle Trails, Easements, and Ditches Committee:** Heather Nestle reported that the saddle trails have been mowed. They will be mowed again in May or June. The Saddle Trail committee will develop a plan for naming and marking the saddle trails in February. Part of the large park is not being used right now. Heather Nestle plans to have volunteers clear an additional loop. Bill Still noted that Eddie Oyer did a lot of work on the drainage problems on the trail behind Singletree. Heather Nestle and Amy Chenard cleaned up the saddle trail at the far end of Myakka Valley Trail.
8. **Community Awareness and Security Committee:** No report
9. **Compliance, Construction, Parks, Mowing, Signs, Variances, Easements, and Overhanging Trees:** Wendy Ying reported that the owner of Lot 160 cleaned up the trail as requested. Lot 170 at the end of Rocking Horse wants to build a garage. Their setbacks are in compliance. Wendy Ying and Bill Still will meet with representatives from the county to address drainage/repair problems. Wendy Ying made a motion to sell the gates for the exact amount that the association. Heather Nestle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Letters will be sent to members who have closed off saddle trails. The stop sign on Singletree and Old Ranch Road has been knocked down twice by a hay delivery truck. The owner of the property where the hay is being delivered will be notified.
The bank that took over McMurtrie's property will be notified that the saddle trail must be cleared and easement maintenance must be done to bring the property into compliance.
Owners of 246B presented their plans for construction. All setbacks and deed restrictions are in compliance.
Frank DiCicco presented "Myakka Valley Ranches Improvement Association, Inc. Guidelines Governing Structures" that uses state statutes to impose a fine.
Frank DiCicco made a motion to adopt the guidelines. Wendy Ying seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with nine board members in favor and none opposed. The deed restrictions governing structures will be rewritten.
10. **Entrance Beautification Committee:** MVRIA needs someone to lead with grant writing. The Christmas lights are coming down this week.
11. **Event Committee:** Mary Mapp made a motion to purchase a \$50 gift certificate for Peggy Creadon. Jennifer Peeples seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
12. **Tales n Trails:** Annual passes to Myakka State Park are valid at all Florida state parks. Alert police about shooting. Problems with ATVs. Save the date for the Annual Meeting. Contact Jennifer Peeples with an email about being in the directory if information has changed.
13. **Resident's Questions:**
Frank DiCicco made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Jackie Vizzi.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11

