

Myakka Valley Ranches Improvement Association, Inc.

Board Minutes, June 18, 2018 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 7:10 and declared a quorum.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST BOARD MEETING May 21, 2018.

Frank DiCicco moved to approve the minutes for the board meeting on May 21, 2018.

Deb Houston seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

- 1. President's Report:** Frank DiCicco reviewed the guidelines for horseback riding on the easements. Homeowners may ride on the easements and can bring guests. Because MRV has private roads, the police cannot write tickets for speeding or going through a stop sign. However, the police can write tickets for reckless driving. Frank DiCicco made a motion to cancel the July board meeting and a motion to cancel the December board meeting. The motions were seconded by Wendy Ying and passed unanimously. The poll at the Annual Meeting indicated that members would like speed tables. A complaint about road safety was sent to the board and has been entered into the record.
- 2. Secretary's Report:** No report.
- 3. Vice-President:** No report
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Vicki Butler reported that the dues are still coming in. MRV has roughly \$389,143.00 in the bank right now. This amount for the road project will be approximately \$534,000.00 when the rest of the dues and the \$65,000 from the cell tower company come in.
- 5. Document Revision and Lawsuit Committee:** Frank DiCicco reported the ruling on the Lyday appeal has not been delivered. Despite the judge's order to open the trail, the Lydays posted a "No Trespassing" sign and used wire to block the trail again.
- 6. Road Committee:** Frank DiCicco predicted the roads will be paved by October, 2018. Repairs need to be made to stop signs on Hupa and on Old Ranch Road.

7. **Saddle Trails, Easements, and Ditches Committee:** Wendy Ying reported that there is a plan to open trails. The trails have been mowed. Two neighbors complained that their property was mowed when the trails were mowed. George, who mows, will be told not to mow those places again.
8. **Website:** Brenda Zimmerman built a new website for MVRIA. It will cost \$300/year. There is money in the budget for the website. There will be a webmaster and certain board members will be able to post. Frank DiCicco made a motion to use \$600 out of the budget to set up the custom domain. Jennifer Peeples seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
9. **Community Awareness and Security:** No report.
10. **Compliance, Construction, Parks, Mowing, Signs, Variances, Easements, and Overhanging Trees:** The new owners of Lot 68 have requested permission to build a guest house. They will join some existing buildings on the property and take down some others to adhere to the 3 roof deed restriction guidelines. Frank DiCicco made the motion to conditionally approval to begin work on their guest house giving them the time needed to remove and join the other buildings to comply with the three roof rule. Jennifer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
Wendy Ying received a written complaint about Lot 26 which stated there were too many structures. She investigated and found that the property is in compliance because there are three buildings and a well house and open-aired structures for animals.
11. **Entrance Beautification Committee:** Jennifer Peeples polled the meeting to see the feelings about uniform mailboxes. Sally Corcoran reported that Myakka Valley Garden Club surveyed the front entrance. They proposed using large pine bark mulch in front of each sign with Coontie and African iris around the edges. Coontie is a native plant and is drought and deer resistant. These plants require no maintenance once they are established. Sally Corcoran stated we'll need 20 plants; they are about \$10 each. Supplements will be added to the soil. There is no irrigation at the front, but Frank DiCicco will ask Sunfire Nursery to bring a water truck out until the plants are established. Plantings are an ongoing project. Frank DiCicco made a motion to have the Garden Club move forward with the plantings. Mary Mapp seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
12. **Disaster Preparedness:** Frank DiCicco stated that we are set to purchase new radios.
13. **Events Committee:** Amy Chenard reported that the plans for the June 30th parade and community pot luck are going well. There will riders, walkers, and a horse and carriage with veterans. The parade steps off at 10, the pot luck/BBQ will be at the Shorey/Briggs home at noon. There will be an ice cream truck.
14. **Trails n Tales**
Fourth of July Parade and Potluck
15. **Member Questions**
Q: Concern about new developments on Clark Road that may cause flooding.
A: Water management is a county concern, so this may not be a problem.

Frank DiCicco made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Jennifer Peeples.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:50.