

Myakka Valley Ranches Improvement Association, Inc.

Board Minutes, November 19, 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 7:04 and declared a quorum.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST BOARD MEETING October 15, 2018.

Frank DiCicco moved to approve the minutes for the board meeting on October 15, 2018.

Jackie Vizzi seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

- 1. President's Report:** Frank DiCicco thanked Wendy Ying for supplying food for the Round-Table discussion before the meeting. There will not be a board meeting in December; the next meeting will be January 21, 2019. The new guard rail was installed by the bridge. There will be a parking area by the bridge. Frank DiCicco reported that it has been a relatively quiet month. One member requested to video tape all the meetings. The letter of request will be filed with the secretary.
The Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday April 27, 2019.
- 2. Vice-President's Report:** Jennifer Peeples reported that one proposal has been received for the Road Project. Other bids will be solicited. Jennifer Peeples asked for volunteers to write another grant for Entrance Beautification.
- 3. Secretary's Report:** No report.
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Vicki Butler made a motion to send past-due letters to those members in arrears. Jackie Vizzi seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. PCM will send the letters for a charge of \$15 each that will be passed on to the member in arrears. There is no forgiveness for late fees at this time. A line item will be added to the 2019 budget to add the \$15 charge for those who 30 days in arrears. Those who are two or more years in arrears will be taken to small claims court. A procedure with a timeline will be presented at the next board meeting.
- 5. Document Revision and Lawsuit Committee:** Frank DiCicco gave the legal update. There is still no verdict on the Lyday appeal. Wendy Ying and Frank DiCicco will meet

with Jim Burgess, the MVRIA attorney, to discuss getting the county to replace the collapsed culvert between Howard Creek and Vanderipe.

6. **Roads Committee:** Frank DiCicco reported that a preliminary proposal has been received, and it is anticipated that the final proposals will be voted on in January.
7. **Saddle Trails, Easements, and Ditches Committee:** No report.
8. **Community Awareness and Security Committee:** No report
9. **Compliance, Construction, Parks, Mowing, Signs, Variances, Easements, and Overhanging Trees:** Wendy Ying made a motion to give the new owners of Lot 54 a 12' variance reduction for the distance from the center of the road. Mary Mapp seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The 2018 survey will be included with the variance form. Lot 170 understands they cannot build their garage before their house. Lot 98 has too many buildings, and they are building a new barn. They will be sent a note with the deed restrictions. Lot 90-91 are two contiguous lots with one owner. They also have too many buildings on their property. Lot 188 has a non-designated saddle trail onto which ATVs have been trespassing. They have installed a gate on their property and another gate on the drainage ditch easement. It was suggested that they could put posts to dissuade ATVs but still allow horses to use the trail. Frank DiCicco and Wendy Ying will speak with them.
10. **Entrance Beautification Committee:** No report.
11. **Events Committee:** Amy Chenard reported that the Annual Valley Christmas Party will be on December 15, 2018 at 6 pm. Please bring a small wrapped gift for a raffle for charity. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. The following Saturday will be the luminary parade. It will start at 5, and there will be four fifteen-minute stops. There will be a gate contest again this year. All the trees at the entrance have been sold. The bricks have been ordered for the tree ceremony dedication. Amy Chenard proposed Saturday January 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. as the date for the ceremony. Jennifer Peebles seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Amy Chenard made a motion to spend \$300 for refreshments for the tree dedication ceremony. Jackie Vizzi seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Vicki Butler reported there was an impromptu 5K last Sunday in the Valley. Bill Still congratulated the Events Committee for the great Halloween events.
12. **Disaster Preparedness:** No report.
13. **Tales n Trails:** Hunter Pace at the Carlton Preserve, holiday events, tree dedication
14. **Resident's Questions:** Q: What happened with the phone numbers in the directory?
A: Permission has to be granted to publish phone numbers.

Frank DiCicco made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Jackie Vizzi.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43