

Casey Key Association  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
February 7, 2022, 4:00pm

Chairperson in Attendance: Lisa Napolitano

Board Members in Attendance: Maryanne Andrews  
 Dan Deems  
 Dawn Doughty  
 Caroline Edwards  
 Mary Dee Hicks  
 Leslie O'Connor  
 Jean Parm  
 Janet Schwartz

Board Members Absent: Don Casto III

Residents in Attendance: Laly Ballard  
 Lori Caramanian  
 Terry Dickson  
 James Grim  
 Clay Taylor  
 David Velliky

**Meeting Called to Order**

*Lisa Napolitano*  
 4:00pm

**Approval of 1/3/22 Minutes**

*Lisa Napolitano*

- A. Agenda and minutes were emailed to the Board in advance of today's meeting.
- B. Recommended changes to the past minutes: no changes.
- C. Lisa made a motion to approve the minutes. Approved and seconded: Jean and Dan.

**Treasurer's Report**

*Maryanne Andrews*

- A. Financial reports were emailed to the Board in advance of today's meeting.
- B. As of 12/31/21:
  - Checking: approximately \$94,000
  - Money Market: approximately \$80,000
  - Net Income: approximately \$32,000
- C. As of 1/31/22:
  - Checking: approximately \$100,000
  - Money Market: approximately \$80,000
  - Net Income: approximately \$6,000

D. Maryanne is working on actual vs budget.

E. Lisa made a motion to approve the financial reports. Approved and seconded: Leslie and Jean.

## **President's Report**

*Lisa Napolitano*

### **A. Casey Key Association Annual Meeting 1/19/22**

1. The Oaks Club was a great venue.
2. Zoom went well for some. It did not record well. It gave people an option.
3. Caroline thanked Lisa for putting together the directory for annual meeting.
4. Lisa thanked Dan and Janet for their work on the directory.
5. Revised directories are available to order on the CK website until 4/1/22.

### **B. Casey Key Shoreline Resiliency Project (SRP)**

1. Lisa said there's still a lot more work to do, due to the complex process of the county.
2. Dan asked the pilot program with reef balls. Lisa said it's the Reef Ball Foundation's demonstration project.

### **C. Casey Key Road Repairs at North Key Revetment (500-700 Block of North Casey Key Road) and Mid Key Bluff (2104-2120 Casey Key Road): County road project**

1. Spencer Anderson provided an update at the annual meeting, and that's all we have to date.
2. Mary Dee said there was going to be an opportunity for a public hearing in March.
3. Mary Dee said, and Lisa agreed, that we should have the county road project on the agenda for the next meeting.
4. Mary Dee said the maintenance people have looked at the road, but we don't have clarity about exactly what is happening when. Mary Dee will speak with Dennis Doughty.
5. Mary Dee said the county has not been holding the public meetings.

## **Security**

*Dawn Doughty*

A. January incident report: not yet received. There are staffing changes at the Sheriff's Office.

B. 2021: 44 actual crimes. Approx. 500 incidents. Approx. 70% occurs at public parks.

C. Dan said that the Sheriff said we were better off in 2021 than 2020. Dawn agreed: it was over 600 the previous year.

D. Dawn said one day a week we should have an unmarked vehicle. We are having trouble getting the unmarked vehicles. The staff are at training.

E. Volunteers for a security committee were discussed.

F. Dawn mentioned that the Legacy Trail map has CK on it, even though CK is not part of the Legacy Trail.

G. Leslie asked about the cycling rules at the bridge. Dawn said there's no statute or enforcement behind it. However, police can monitor the stop sign violations.

H. March staffing for Sheriff's Department is challenging due to spring break and a professional day. They also have to staff for spring training games and the Sarasota County Fair. So, we might not get all of our shifts staffed.

### **I. Signage on CK**

1. Some are rusted, missing, down.
2. We have a petition to the county to have 4-5 of them installed around CK: lighted electronic speed limit signs. The exact locations have not yet been determined, but the idea is to put them

where people speed the most, such as straightaways, as well as throughout CK. They cost approximately \$4K per sign.

3. People should cut back vegetation, if possible.

4. South Casey Key submitted a petition with 80 signatures, including improved signage for South Casey Key.

The Sarasota County traffic engineer Amjed Hussain was supposed to do a study, considering reducing the limit to 20, rather than 25.

They are also looking at Kids at Play signs.

J. James Grim asked about road humps. Dawn said Sarasota County suspended their traffic calming measures in 2007 for the benefit of emergency vehicles to have flat roads and access.

#### K. Security Cameras

1. Dawn is not endorsing any company nor the use of security cameras.

2. Dawn suggested forming a committee to explore cameras.

- Dawn questioned to what extent security cameras will increase security here.
- Lisa mentioned that the cameras have to be on a pole and placement is important.
- Lisa said that we need to have a holistic security policy.
- Mary Dee asked if the security committee would work on cameras. Dawn said that the camera issues should be a separate issue. Mary Dee suggested the exploration of the cameras within the context of the other security issues.
- Dawn mentioned that it's dependent on our relationship with Sarasota County.

3. Dawn spoke with Flock Security: the only security camera company that Dawn has reviewed.

- Sarasota PD has used Flock for years, and Sarasota PD likes the actionable evidence.
- The Flock camera is solar, not dependent on hard wiring (cloud based), still images, a limited number of images per day.
- We would own the data, but we would not own the cameras.
- It's basically an alert system. The Sheriffs would get a notice if a predator is on the key, but that does not mean that the Sheriff's Office responds to that alert.
- It would not impact speeding.
- Flock allows residents to opt out of the system.
- There's no one who monitors it. It's just recorded. We would need to perform any search.

4. Dawn asked Lisa if she had received anything from Current Technologies. Lisa had not.

5. Clayton did a test with a camera, and it was tough to read the license plates. It was not effective, especially with faster vehicles.

6. Lisa thanked Dawn.

## Membership and Online Directory

*Dan Deems*

#### A. Membership data

1. 253 members as of today. Dan thinks we will end up at 255, but it could become 260.

2. Janet has 10 addresses and names, and 8-9 houses listed for sale, and she will go after them all.

#### B. Welcome bag for new residents

- Lisa said she's not sure if we had a budget. We do need something for new members, including a directory.
- Jean has 24 bags.
- Jean said there are many towels. Dawn said we could also regular towels.
- Lali suggested a welcome mat. Jean said they would be expensive.

- Janet will list benefits of CKA in the welcome bag.
- Lisa mentioned the badges with the house photo. Lisa has the lanyards here in the library.

**C. Welcome Party for new residents: Sunday, March 27 at 4:00pm**

- Lisa suggested a new member welcome party once a year in the spring.
- Leslie offered to host it this spring.
- Lisa said the CKA can't pay for it, because it doesn't benefit every member, so we all chip in.
- Leslie suggested Sunday, March 27 at 4:00pm with appetizers and cocktails.

**D. Mary Dee said she is impressed by how proactive the membership committee has been.**

- Mary Dee said she had a new neighbor who wasn't able to get into the website, and Janet has heard the same thing.
- Janet has them contact Dan, and they respond to them directly.
- Janet writes them a hand-delivered personal note.
- Dan mentioned that it is particularly important this year, because we want people to participate in SRP.

**E. Terry mentioned that she knew of some neighbors who contributed to SPR but are not CKA members.**

**F. CKA Annual Picnic: Sunday, April 24, at Tracy Dickson's lot at 560 N. Casey Key Rd**

- Leslie said she'd handle it, and Janet said she'd help.
- One past location: Historic Spanish Point. Michael's has the exclusive on catering.
- Turnout: usually around 120.
- Dawn mentioned Snook Haven, but people thought it was too far.
- Tracy Dickson offered her lot.
- Lisa said we'd need a tent.
- Dan mentioned port a potty. Clean Cans is nice per Tracy.
- Dan liked the Grasshoppers catering done in the past.
- Tracy suggested Daryl's BBQ.
- Lisa and Mary Dee mentioned having a couple of food trucks.
- Jean said there are centerpieces here in the library.
- Dawn offered that people could park on her lot.
- David offered to help with the picnic.
- Lori suggested the band from Pops.
- Tracy suggested Bay kings.
- Leslie has a band in mind.

**Communication and Website mycaseykey.com**

*Lisa Napolitano*

**A. Lisa is going to make the website more user friendly for people who are not members.**

**B. Lisa said that if anyone has suggestions, to let her know.**

**C. Flags across Casey Key**

1. Some CK residents already support the US Flag Holiday Fundraiser.
2. For \$45/year, the rotary will install a 3'x5' US flag on your property.
3. The flag will be installed for several days around five flag holidays:  
Memorial Day, Flag Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Labor Day, and Veterans Day
4. It will be removed, stored, and re-installed for the next holiday.
5. The link to participate is available on mycaseykey.com

### **Casey Key Boutique**

*Jean Parm*

CK Yeti water bottle sales

1. Jean still has 13 CK Yeti water bottles in stock.
2. CK Yeti water bottles orders take 2-4 weeks.

### **New Business: Public Sewer Expansion Preliminary Study to be presented at March BCC**

*Clay Taylor*

- A. If residents want to start doing petitions, in support or against, then they should get the petition to the public sewer company, so that the petition goes in with the study when they present to the BCC.
- B. There would be an increase in taxes.
- C. Lori asked about the process. Clay said that if we want public sewer, then the more public support they have will help their presentation.
- D. David asked if it includes the entire key, and Clay said yes.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

*Lisa Napolitano*

- Lisa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:08pm. Approved and seconded: Caroline and Dan.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Caroline Edwards  
CKA Secretary