

April 16, 2019

A meeting of the Corkscrew Island Neighborhood Association (CINA) took place at the Corkscrew Sanctuary meeting room on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Eleven members were in attendance. President, Bill McDaniel opened the meeting at 7 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda was as follows:

1) Pledge of Allegiance

2) Approval of February Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting on February 19, 2019 were sent by email earlier in the week. A few copies were passed around at this meeting. Jean McCollum offered a suggestion to the last line of the Minutes before the date, to change “clear paths” to “create paths”. The minutes were approved with the above change and seconded unanimously.

2) Election of directors and officers

President Bill McDaniel announced that April is the annual election meeting, though the last election was done only six months ago in October because there were postponements. Bill asked if there were any new volunteers to be on the CINA board. The secretary, Doug Wilson proposed that he and Nancy Wilson would like to exchange roles. She would assume the title of Secretary and he would become Vice President and Treasurer. He explained that “our personalities” better fit these new roles. The President asked Nancy if she was good with that, and she affirmed “yes”. Since there were no objections and no new volunteers or changes, the following motion was made:

MOTION: That the following board be re-elected with the above-mentioned changes: Bill McDaniel, President; Doug Wilson, Vice President and Treasurer; Nancy Wilson, Secretary; Maria Tabraue, Director, and Debbie Gartzke, Director. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

3) President’s Report

The President said he would put this off until last. Let’s go on to old business.

4) Old business

Since the President was absent at the February meeting, he asked to hear the motions made at that meeting. Doug read the February motions as follows:

(a) The October Minutes were approved;

(b) The October motions were ratified to comply with the amended Articles of Incorporation. The President asked about the ratification procedure. Doug explained when there is no quorum, there is a need to ratify a motion at the next meeting, even if there is no quorum at the next meeting. The ratified motions included:

(1) Annual election of officers and directors made in October,

(2) The motion made in October to send John Hinson a letter of appreciation was ratified.

The Secretary Doug Wilson explained that since he had a majority approval from the Board to switch from a letter to a plaque honoring John Hinson, he ordered one online and had it in hand, which he showed to those in attendance. A discussion followed about how best to present the plaque to John. Maria and Eduardo being members of the Church, invited a group of 5 or 6 CINA members to attend dinner at the Church on Thursday, April 25, arrival time 6 pm, when the President would present the plaque to a much-loved elder of the community.

(c) A motion was made to send a letter of appreciation to Sheriff Kevin Rambosk for improvements made in our neighborhood. The Secretary asked Robbie for an update. She said her two attempts to get the letter to the Sheriff were returned undeliverable. President Bill told her to send him the letter and he would see that it gets delivered.

5) New business

(a) Passing lane marking on Immokalee Road. Maria Tabraue asked Doug to put this on the agenda. She explained that Immokalee Road going west, goes around the curve past Platt Road, there is a double yellow line. After that is the dotted line where passing is allowed. We would like to see the double line extended to past Wild Turkey. The reason is that one of the men here was coming from Lilac Lane and was turning left on Wild Turkey at a place where there is a dotted passing line. A vehicle started to pass him so he waited and then turned without realizing another vehicle was also passing. His car was hit and totaled. A discussion followed on how to get lane markings changed. Bill, as County Commissioner, said send it to me and he would take care of it. A question was asked about changing the speed limit. Bill said No, it takes an act of congress to change speed limits but reaffirmed if there is anything you want changed, send it to me and let me see what I can do.

b) Hogan Island Village and SR 846 Land Trust a.k.a. Jones Mining. Maureen Bonness asked Doug to put this on the agenda. She asked Bill to explain about the Hogan Island Land Trust and the new Immokalee Road being proposed at Jones Mining.

6) President's Report

President Bill gave a lengthy and detailed picture, using the large white board present to outline his property and that of Hogan Island. He said the NW corner of Hogan Island borders Bill's property at Immokalee Road, "right across the ditch from my road". It is a village of 1000 acres (unsure I heard right). This is in the planning stages at Collier County. Developers are negotiating with the County for new developments. The general consensus is that the new Immokalee Road will run up through Jones Mining and cross over the old Immokalee Road into Hogan Island Village and come back down south through Oil Well, the gravel road, which is to become a multi-lane road.

Other interesting pieces of information given by Bill included a report on a water facility east of the fair grounds; 47 acres to be developed in two years across from the new Publix on Randall which could include an assisted living facility; the fire house is to be moved; a new bus barn for schools where school buses can park may go into the 10 acres at the recycle center behind the fair grounds, substandard sewage put in by developers because they put in only the minimum required which breaks down over the years. He said there will be many villages coming into the area around the lake.

Ave Maria is one of the top sellers in the United States.

7) Other

President Bill McDaniel running for re-election. The President announced that he is a candidate for re-election as County Commissioner for District 5. He passed out flyers to a Town Hall Gathering which he is hosting on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 from 6 to 8 pm at the UF/IFAS Extension Office at 14700 Immokalee Road. He invites everyone to come, and invite your neighbors to meet him and learn what is happening in District 5. He wants to hear from you and what your issues and concerns are about Collier County Government.

Jean McCollum announced that a new director has been hired for the Sanctuary, a woman, Lisa Korte. She is seeking to buy near the Sanctuary so she can walk to work.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.