

MINUTES

Board of Directors' Meeting, February 19, 2015

President Lou Buscemi opened the Board Meeting at 7 pm in the Hillsboro Cove Association Clubhouse. He explained that the Annual Meeting scheduled for this time was going to be changed and a new election conducted. He asked the secretary to verify that this meeting was duly noticed 48 hours in advance and asked her to call the roll. The following Board members were present: Lou Buscemi, Glenn Baker, Nick Marchione, Nancy McCue, Emily Murphy and Mary Ellen Palenchar. John Evans was absent.

The President asked for a motion to dispense with reading the minutes since they were posted on the website. Mary Ellen Palenchar so moved, Nancy McCue seconded , and the motion carried.

Mr. Buscemi turned the meeting over to Vice-president, Mary Ellen Palenchar, who explained to the overflow crowd that the Board, on the advice of our attorney, had decided to cancel the current election, whose deadline was today. She explained that many signature envelopes, which cannot be unsealed until the actual night of the Annual Meeting, had come into the Office unsealed. According to Florida condominium law, once a signature envelope is unsealed, no more ballots can be accepted.

Mary Ellen explained that new ballots and signature envelopes would be sent out immediately. Proxies would not be included because the Board had received more than the 160 needed to hold the Annual Meeting at which the election of Board members takes place. Such proxies are valid for 90 days.

Mary Ellen urged all owners to carefully seal the ballot envelope and then place it into the signature envelope and make sure that envelope is also sealed tightly. Use tape if necessary. She also noted that the election of Board members requires that only 20 percent of the entire membership, or 64 owners, vote for the election to be valid. She urged all owners to vote.

Mary Ellen then said: " I move that the election for this night, February 19, 2015, be cancelled." Emily Murphy seconded and the motion carried unanimously. She continued, "I move that the election be rescheduled for March 18, 2015." Lou Buscemi seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

She then moved to "appoint a new election committee, consisting of Joe DiCarlo, Helene Wechterman, and Hal Allen." Nancy McCue seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Finally she moved to "hold the Annual meeting on March 18, 2015." Emily Murphy seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

All owners are welcome to observe this activity. The signature The meeting was then opened to owners for any questions regarding the election process and for suggestions as to how to avoid confusion next year. The Board has purchased a locked ballot box into which owners will place their signature envelopes directly. Only the election committee will have the combination to open it. The ballot box will be opened at 10 am on March 18 to check signatures. envelopes and ballots will be opened at 7 pm, March 18, 2015, at the Annual meeting in the Clubhouse.

More than 20 signature envelopes were open. All materials from the cancelled election will be kept on file for a year.

The Board meeting concerning the election was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The Board then opened the floor for residents to discuss other issues.

Mary Ellen Palenchar, Acting Secretary