

JUNO ISLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION
February 8, 2010
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Juno Isles Civic Association Board of Directors was held on Monday, February 8, 2010, at Holy Spirit Church on Ellison Wilson Road.

❖ **Roll Call and Call to Order:**

President Louis Vilardo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following Board members were present:

Felice Beyer		Unexcused
Bob Bittenbinder	Present	
Blas Contreras	Present	
Susan Czelustra	Present	
Wayne Hatten	Present	
Jack Koch		Excused
Linda Lindquist	Present	
Mary Ann Martin	Present	
Dave Mastran	Present	
Jim Moore	Present	
Louis Vilardo	Present	

Note: The minutes refer to Board members by their first name as listed above.

❖ **Approve Minutes:** January 4, 2010

Bob made a motion to approve the minutes. Wayne seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed unanimously.

Louis welcomed residents Bob Kirkman and Ron Colman. They were interested in joining the Board. Louis said there were a couple of write-ins at the annual meeting, and he would first give them right of refusal.

❖ **Old Business:**

▪ **2010 Budget**

Committee chairs submitted their budgetary needs, and the Board discussed budget line items.

Wayne, Social Committee Chair, suggested \$3500 for the annual picnic. After discussion, Mary Ann made a motion to discontinue the annual social event. Bob seconded the

motion. The motion was rejected by a vote of eight to one. Alternatives to the picnic, such as a holiday tree lighting or a block party, were discussed.

Wayne presented proposals to install the holiday lighting on the front island. Wayne made a motion to budget \$2500 to light the entire island, as it was lit last year. Louis seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of eight to one.

Dave left at 7:50.

Louis said Mary Ann would prepare the budget, and the Board should be prepared to approve the budget and set the assessments at the March meeting.

▪ **Juno Beach Annexation of Donald Ross Road**

On January 13, 2010, the Juno Beach town council met to consider adoption of an ordinance annexing the southern portion of Donald Ross rd from Ellison Wilson to the center of the intracoastal waterway. Juno Isles Board members and residents were in attendance at the meeting. Louis gave a brief explanation of Juno Isles' opposition to the annexation and requested that the town postpone adoption of the ordinance to allow time for Juno Isles to seek resolution of its concerns. Despite Lou's objections, the town approved the ordinance without comment. Following the meeting, Lou had conversations with Commissioner Karen Marcus' office during which she agreed to host a meeting in her office with Juno Beach counsel, Palm Beach County counsel and Juno Isles counsel to further discuss the issues.

At that meeting Palm Beach County counsel stated that Juno Isles was not an enclave prior to the Donald Ross annexation, and the annexation of Donald Ross did not make it one. When asked on what basis he arrived at that conclusion, he stated that the County's position was that roads did not matter and the mere inclusion of a road in a town's corporate boundaries would not necessarily create an enclave. Louis also questioned Juno Beach's contention that they acquired a portion of Ellison Wilson Road in the 2004 annexation of certain preserve land. Palm Beach County counsel stated that the county disagreed with that contention.

Commissioner Marcus agreed to prepare a letter reiterating the County's opinion regarding Juno Isle's status and asked Juno Beach counsel to provide additional support of their contention regarding Ellison Wilson Road to her office.

Louis reiterated that the Board's opposition to the annexation was not a reflection of any particular view regarding the desirability of annexation. Rather, the Board was acting to insure that Juno Isles would never find itself in a position to be annexed involuntarily. Louis asked if the Board wished to pursue a legal appeal of the Donald Ross annexation. In light of the results of the meeting in Commissioner Marcus' office, the cost of an appeal as well as what the Board believes to be a low likelihood of prevailing, the Board chose not to pursue legal action.

❖ **Treasurer's Report** – Mary Ann

Mary Ann reported account balances as follows:

Anchor Bank \$4000

TD Bank Money Market \$61,700

❖ **Committee Reports**

- **Architectural Committee** – Wayne
Wayne reported the committee approved a fence at 12908 Barrow Road.
- **Crime Watch** – Bob
No report.
- **Social Committee** – Wayne
No report.
- **Landscape Committee** - Louis
No report.
- **Community Improvements** – Blas
No report.
- **Communication** – Linda
Linda said content for the next newsletter should be submitted by February 15.

Bob left at 9:00.

- **Covenants Committee** – Blas
Rhonda Thomas distributed copies of a detailed violation report to all Board members. Rhonda reported that she and Bob Kildea inspected the community on January 18th. Twenty violation notifications were mailed to residents on January 19th. Four violation notifications and ten second notices were mailed on February 1st. Five violations were resolved. Three residents were 30 days beyond receiving a second violation notice and had not responded. Rhonda submitted them to the Board, and the Board agreed to pass them on to counsel for further action.

Susan left at 9:10.

❖ **Adjournment**

Wayne made a motion to adjourn. Mary Ann seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rhonda Thomas