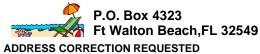
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### OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION, Inc.



Next Meeting: LOCATION: Okaloosa Island Fire Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room TIME: 7:00 p.m. DATE: Monday, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019. PARKING: Please park behind the Fire Station next to the water tank

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Photo by Greg Merlo of Springfield, Virginia



# **The OIL Lantern**

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### **Meeting Agenda**

DATE: Monday, Sept 9, 2019

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m. **PLACE:** Okaloosa Island Fire Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call of Board Members: David Sherry

III. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings: John Donovan

IV. Treasurer's Report: Jim Simpson

- <u>8/31/2019</u> OILA Fiscal Year End Financial Status Report
- Draft 9/1/2019-<u>8/31/2020</u>
- OILA Operating Budget - Preliminary <u>2019-2020</u> OILA Dues-Paying Marcharchin Bonart
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- Preliminary <u>2019 2020</u> Ad Hoc Committees:
  - \* Welcome Wagon
  - \* Derelict Property
  - \* Median Beautification
  - \* Street Lighting MSBU
  - \* Flag Ladies
  - \* Christmas Decorations

**VI**. Unfinished and New Business:

\* **Dave Hancock** proposes a resolution to donate \$1000 to the Eglin Air Force Association designated to the Women's Veterans Monument.

**VII**. Announcements; Speakers and Programs

VIII. Adjournment

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - David Sherry

I'd like to thank Jim Simpson for helping familiarize me with OILA's annual income and expenses. This is a big help for the incoming board, of which Jim is a part, as we start our new fiscal year on September 1.



We also need to thank the Okaloosa County Lifeguards and the Okaloosa Island Fire Department for keeping us safe, and for standing out in a good way in the Florida Panhandle. We occasionally see articles in the NWF Daily News reporting drownings at Florida Panhandle beaches. This year on Okaloosa Island we have had no water fatalities – no drownings, and no deaths from medical emergencies in the water.

One challenge the new board faces is the lack of access to recent OILA records. For many prior years OILA's records, including communications, are good. However, since 2017 there are almost no records available to the new board beyond OIL Lanterns and the Architectural Committee records book. This will handicap the new board by making it re-invent the wheel for ongoing and recurring issues, and have us operate in the dark regarding prior positions communicated on behalf of OILA. The prior board president should change his mind about providing OILA communications and other records from his tenure to the new board. All 2019 election records except the final tally sheet were never turned over.

Our new secretary, John Donovan, has already taken steps to organize and safeguard OILA records so that future OILA boards won't face these same problems obtaining records during transition.

# OILA DUES FOR THE 2019-2020 MEMBERSHIP YEAR DUE ON OCTOBER 1, 2019

Membership dues for the coming year are due October 1. A membership renewal notification letter along with a stamped, return-addressed envelope will be mailed this month to members who are due renewal . Membership dues are **\$12** a year. If you elect to receive the newsletter by U.S. Mail, the total due is **\$18 (\$12** membership plus a **\$6** newsletter subscription fee). If you have any questions concerning membership, please contact Jim Simpson, Treasurer, at (850) 585-2116 or by email at: <u>sanleanna@cox.net</u>. If you wish to do so, you may remit your membership dues at the September 9 membership meeting.



# JOIN THE LEASEHOLDERS! LET YOUR OPINIONS BE HEARD! FOR A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CLICK ON THE ASSOCIATION'S WEBPAGE:

WWW.OILAWEB.COM -- OR

CONTACT JIM SIMPSON AT (850) 585-2116 OR BY EMAIL

AT <u>SANLEANNA@COX.NET</u>



**WUZZLE PUZZLES -** What is a Wuzzle Puzzle? It is a puzzle consisting of combinations of words, letters, figures, or symbols positioned to create disguised words, phases, names, places, etc. Are you ready to take the challenge and figure out the "disguised" meaning of these wuzzles? Good luck. The answers are available on the last page of this newsletter.

## Wuzzle No. 1







## Wuzzle No. 4



# ISLAND RAINFALL FOR AUGUST 2019: 5.6 INCHES

inches
inches



Aug Avg Rainfall.....**7.2** inches Variance to Aug Average.....**- 1.6** inches

Sept Avg Rainfall Sept Record High Sept Record Low Sept Avg Water Temperature.	<b>102º F</b> (1954) <b>37º F</b> (1967)
Oct Avg Rainfall Oct Record High Oct Record Low Oct Avg Water Temperature	<b>99° F</b> (1954) <b>27° F</b> (1989)
Nov Avg Rainfall November Record High November Record Low Nov Avg Water Temperature.	<b>18º F</b> (1998) <b>18º F</b> (1950)
Year to Date to Variance Year to Date Rainfall Avg Annual Rainfall	

# MORE ABOUT CATS THEN YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW

- Austrians are the world's number one cat lovers. Thirty percent of Austrian households have at least one cat.
- Hyenas are more closely related to cats than dogs.
- Albert Einstein was convinced his cat suffered from depression.
- Catnip can affect lions and cougars as well as house cats.
- Siamese cats really are from Siam (now Thailand). In ancient days, they guarded the temple when a person of high rank died; the cat was considered a receptacle for the dead person soul.
- Belgians once tried to deliver mail using cats, (It didn't work.
- A can of cat food contains as much meat as five adult mice.
- Oldest cat ever: Ma, an English tabby, who was 37 when she died in 1957.
- Cats sweat through their paws.
- Domestic cats have 18 claws.
- Cats have two sets of vocal chords: one for purring and one for meowing.
- Tigers can be taught to use litter boxes. Big litter boxes
- Three thousand out of every 3,001 calico kittens are female.
- The average cat has 24 whiskers 12 on each side of his nose.

**TRIVIA CRAWLER:** The term "the whole 9 yards" came from W.W.II fighter pilots in the Pacific. When arming their airplanes on the ground, the .50 caliber machine gun ammo belts measured exactly 27 feet, before being loaded into the fuselage. If the pilots fired all their ammo at a target, it got "the whole 9 yards."



# ISLAND GARDEN CLUB TO START ITS 2019-2020 SEASON ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Fall is in the air and the Island Garden Club is gearing up for an exciting season. We start off the year September 11th with **Master Gardener Dave Gordon**, he is excited to meet everyone to discuss Pollinators Paradise with plant suggestions and ideas for multiplying the pollinator plants in your landscape.

Come to the El Matador downstairs meeting room at 9:45 AM to renew past friendships and meet new friends. The meeting will start shortly after 10:00 to allow for your enjoyment of the delicious surprises supplied by the September hostesses. For more information please contact either Paula Hudson (pnh2859@aol.com) or Kathy Foster (fosterpk@gnt.net).

I look forward to seeing all of you **Paula Hudson**, President



# THIS MONTH IN HISTORY - SEPTEMBER

**September 5, 1836** - On this day in 1836, Sam Houston, the victor of San Jacinto, was elected president of the newly founded Republic of Texas.

**September 9, 1948** - Following the withdrawal of Soviet forces from North Korea, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was proclaimed with Pyongyang as its capital.

September 14, 1956 - 1st prefrontal lobotomy performed in Washington, D.C.

September 17, 1683 - Dutch scientist Antonie van Leeuwenhoek is the first to report the existence of bacteria.

**September 21, 1866** - H.G. Wells was born in England. He is most noted for his science fiction works including The War of the Worlds, The Time Machine, The Invisible Man and The Island of Doctor Moreau.

**September 27, 1940** - On this day the Axis powers are formed as Germany, Italy, and Japan become allies with the signing of the Tripartite Pact in Berlin. The Pact provided for mutual assistance should any of the signatories suffer attack by any nation not already involved in the war.

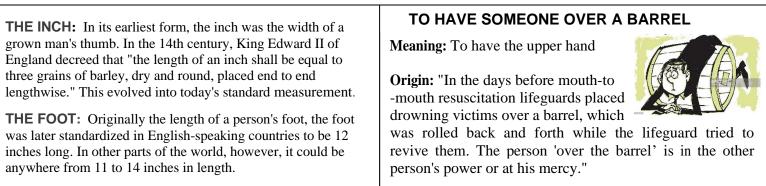
**September 30, 1846** - Anesthetic ether used for 1st time by American dentist Dr William Morton who extracts a tooth



ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT FOR AUGUST 2019 for pemits submitted to them for consideration. The following information provided by the Architectural Committee SPECIAL NOTICES: 1) The Committee meets every Thursday from 9:00 am to 9:30 am at the Tourist Development Center building. 2) ASK BEFORE YOU ACT.

Date	Lot(s)	<u>Block</u>	Owner/Address	Description	In Compliance and Approved?
Aug 8	103	3	Pink Watermelon, LLC	Construct 2 Villas	Yes
Aug 15	291	6	Stephanie Thetford 605 Pelican Drive	Construct Attached Room Addition	Yes
Aug 29	Pier	10	Pier Resort & Development, LLC	Construct Retention Wall Around Po	ol Yes

# MORE TRIVIA CRAWLERS



# **OKALOOSA ISLAND – FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS**



## OKALOOSA ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT WELCOMES NEW FIREFIGHTER

## **MIKE PEREA**

Age -32 years old Fiance- Jessica 3 Kids- Gwynn hunder 9, Titus 6 Years of Service: Mike has 2 years of service with a year and a half of volunteer service in Pueblo West Fire Rescue in Colorado. He had been with OIFD since June 27, 2019. Born: Mike was born in Euwakunia Japan Achievements- Mike, while in Colorado obtained his Firefighter 1 and his EMT-I (Intermediate). Since moving to Florida, he has obtained his Florida standards for EMT-B and his minimum standards for Firefighting (Firefighting 1 & 2).

General Info: Mike enjoys spending time with his fiancé and 3 kids. He enjoys all water sports including riding jet skis, paddle boarding and long walks on the beach with his dog Baxter. He also spends some of his free time golfing and chasing his balls out of the woods.





**NUFF SAID!** 



Greg Merlo – the Father



Ben Merlo - the Son

### THE FATHER-SON MERLO FAMILY "HEAD STANDING" PADDLE BOARD TEAM

For 15 years The Merlo's (from Springfield, VA) Greg, Molly, Addie and Ben have visited Ft Walton Beach to spend time with mom and grandmother, Carolyn Chandler\*, and to take full advantage of the sand and sea. Greg loved to photograph the ever-changing beach early in the mornings - one of those pictures is printed on the cover page of this newsletter. These two photos were taken as dad and son played in the Sound (in back of Villa de Mare where their Uncle Jim and Aunt Shirley Simpson live) with paddle boards and kayaks rented from Hurlburt Rec Center. Each day brought new adventures whether renting a pontoon, parasailing, beach volleyball, watching fireworks off the pier, breakfast at Asiago Skillet, and endless hours relaxing at the beach soaking up sun and memories.

\*Carolyn is a member of OILA

# **Date and Time**



# **OKALOOSA ISLAND**

Emerald Coast Convention & Visitor Bureau in collaboration with The Boardwalk on Okaloosa Island will host a beach cleanup on **Saturday, September 21st** in honor of International Coastal Cleanup Day. The family-friendly event **starts at 8 a.m**. and includes a complimentary pancake breakfast to all volunteers. Free event t-shirts will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis the morning of the event. Prizes will be awarded for the most cigarette butts collected and a social media photo

## PRE-REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED, LIMITED AND *REQUIRED* TO RECEIVE A T-SHIRT AND BREAKFAST TICKET.

# REGISTER ON-LINE BY UTILIZING THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-international-coastal-beachcleanup-okaloosa-island-registration-69440015957

Check-in will begin at 8 a.m. on the deck under The Crab Trap at The Boardwalk on Okaloosa Island.

# WHAT TO BRING:

1. Help us conserve trash bags and additional waste by bringing your own cleanup equipment.

2. B.Y.O.B: Bring Your Own Bucket! Bucket or mesh bag for debris (sharing is encouraged!)

Reusable hand gloves or garden gloves (or trash pickers!)
 Reusable water bottle

Water dispenser and hand sanitizers will be available. Don't forget

to protect yourself with sunscreen and sunglasses!

The Crab Trap will provide a complimentary pancake breakfast after the cleanup to all registered volunteers. Breakfast is sponsored by S.E.A., a Saltwater Restaurant initiative that helps support programs that protect and preserve our beaches. Learn more at: saltwaterrestaurants.com/sea

A huge thank you to all the following who assist in the beach cleanup efforts:

Emerald Coast Convention & Visitor Bureau • Ocean Conservancy • Visit South Walton •Florida State Parks • Florida Sea Grant • Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance • The Boardwalk • The Crab Trap • Saltwater Restaurants, Inc. Sat, September 21, 2019 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM CDT

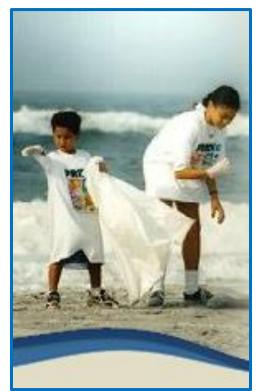
# Location

The Boardwalk on Okaloosa Island 1450 Miracle Strip Parkway Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548

# **General Directions**

On September 21, sign in at The Crab Trap boardwalk (1450 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548), and clean the beach there **or** join your fellow beach cleaners at the **Third Beach Freeway** (between Island Princess and Fairfield Inn on Santa Rosa Blvd.) to clean the beach near there.

A complimentary breakfast for volunteers is served 9 - 11 AM at The Crab Trap, sponsored by Saltwater Restaurants. If you want to clean near the Third Beach Freeway you need to pre-register and sign in at the boardwalk first in order to receive your t-shirt and breakfast ticket.



LET'S KEEP THE WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL BEACH CLEAN! APPROVED MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION – JAN 14, 2019 MEMBERSHIP MEETING
CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Dave Hancock.
I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance led by Brick Bradford.
II. ROLL: Board Members Present: President Dave Hancock, Board Members: Nancy Hunt, Dr. David Miller, Lynn Dominique, Glenn McRae, Dean Hanson, Absent: Vice-President and Secretary Paula Hudson

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**: **President Hancock** thanked Wild Willys for providing storage space for OILA's Christmas displays and supplies.

**IV. MINUTES**: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF JANUARY 14, 2019: Jim Simpson presented the report. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report and to reimburse Jim Simpson a total of \$22.50 for stamps to mail the January 2018 OIL Lantern. A copy of the report follows these minutes.

# **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Architectural Review No report.
- B. Membership Jim Simpson reported a membership total of 245.
- **C. Website** No report.
- D. Boat Basin No report.
- E. Street Lighting MSBU No report.
- F. Derelict Property No report.

### **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Support commitment from Scott Bitterman, Engineer, Okaloosa County Public Works Department for Island beautification. President David Hancock advised that Okaloosa County's chief engineer Scott Bitterman has reached out to James Puckett, Okaloosa County's Facilities Maintenance chief, to be part of the Santa Rosa Boulevard Landscape upgrade project. He noted that this is important because whatever gets done on the landscaping Mr. Puckett's crew has to maintain it. He informed the membership that the project kickoff meeting will be in late February.

B. Wrap up of 2018 Christmas program – Item was not addressed at the meeting.

### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

# Draft letter to State Representative Mel Ponder asking for help with: 1. The Santa Rosa Sound Minimum wake extension and: 2. Obtaining relief from the State of Florida sand placement laws.

A. Motion, by David Sherry and second by John Dezzutto, passed unanimously, "It is resolved, that the OILA President's Draft Letter, titled "Draft Letter to Mel Ponder: Subj: Possibility of Changes in the Application of FS 161.142, Declaration of Public Policy Relating to Improved Navigational Inlets" be separated into two different and independent subjects for discussion and vote at the OILA Meeting of January 14, 2019:

1) Consideration of Extension of the Minimum Wake Zone in Santa Rosa Sound; and

2) Consideration of Section 161.142 Fla. Stat., regarding the disposition of sand dredged from inlets of the State of Florida."

B. Motion, by Lynda Hanson and second by Desley Parker, failed overwhelmingly. It was to table the vote on the OILA President's Draft Letter for one month.

 C. Motion, by Rebecca Sherry and second by John Donovan, passed with two dissents, to remove the section of the OILA President's Draft Letter to Mel Ponder which requests Mel Ponder investigate ways for Okaloosa County to obtain relief from and/or be exempt from Florida Statute 161.142 which protects Okaloosa Island beaches.
 D. Motion, by John Dezzutto with multiple seconds including by David Sherry, passed unanimously in support of

D. Motion, by John Dezzutto with multiple seconds including by David Sherry, passed unanimously in support of extension of the Minimum Wake Zone in Santa Rosa Sound.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Secretary John S. Donovan

Treasurer's Report for January 14, 2019 on next page.

TREASURER'S REPORT: January 14, 2019		
MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: 245		
December 10, 2018 TOTAL BALANCE: \$27,536.05		
ASSOCIATION DISCRETIONARY FUND BALANCE AS OF December 10, 2018	\$	26,092.79
RECEIPTS SINCE LAST REPORT:	\$ \$	152.00 <u>4.50</u>
Total Receipt	ts\$	156.50
EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT:		
Payment (November 16, 2018) to McDonald's Lawn & Landscaping for taking down the Welcome banners on the street light poles and putting up the Christmas theme banners Payment to Gary Hunt for the purchase of electrical parts to repair the system at the Welcome	\$	275.00
Triangle	\$	117.09
Payment to Howard Wortman for the purchase of foil, mesh, spotlights and cables for the Christmas 2019 Decorating Program.	\$	129.22
Payment to George Edlund for the purchase of 2-part forms for documenting recommendations of the Okaloosa Island Leaseholders Architectural Review Committee Payment (January 5, 2019) to McDonald's Lawn & Landscaping for removing the street light	\$	42.40
pole Christmas banners	\$	<u>275.00</u>
Total Expenditure	s \$	838.71
EXPENSES PENDING APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT:		
Reimburse Jim Simpson for stamps to mail the January 2019 OIL Lantern	\$	22.50
ASSOCIATION DISCRETIONARY FUND BALANCE AFTER RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES		
& EXPENSES PENDING APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT AS OF January 14, 2019		•
BEAUTIFICATION FUND BALANCE AS OF Dec 10, 2018	-	,
BEAUTIFICATION FUND EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT BEAUTIFICATION FUND BALANCE AS OF January 14, 2019		
CHRISTMAS DECORATING PROJECT 2016 BALANCE AS of Dec 10, 2018		
CHRISTMAS DECORATING EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT	•	
CHRISTMAS DECORATING FUND BALANCE AS OF January 14, 2019		21.98
SUMMARY: January 14, 2019 Fund Balances		
Association's Discretionary Fund Balance.		
Beautification Fund Balance		•
Christmas Decorating Fund Balance (Donations)	\$	<u>21.98</u>
TOTAL FUNDS BALANCE	\$ 26	6,831.34

DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - APRIL 8, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Dave Hancock.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance led by Michelle Seitz.

**Speaker:** President Hancock introduced **Sergeant Brian Parkton** of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Special Operations Division, to talk about the County efforts to eliminate floating structures and derelict boats. Sgt. Parkton provided the background of the problems and updated the membership on the recent ordinance actions taken by the City of Destin (for Crab Island) and Okaloosa County (for Santa Rosa Sound and the bays) to solve the issues. Sgt. Parkton was given a hearty round of applause for his excellent presentation.

II. ROLL: Board Members Present: President Dave Hancock, Board Members: Dean Hanson, Nancy Hunt, and Dr. David Miller. Absent: Paula Hudson and Lynn Dominique.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS: By President Dave Hancock.

- The Board of County Commissioners ("BCC") approved a military services memorial at Veteran's Park on March 25. The memorial will consist of statues recognizing the contribution of women with representations of each branch of the military. The project will be funded by Okaloosa County Tourist Development Department ("TDD") bed taxes.

DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - APRIL 8, 2019 (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

### DRAFT MINUTES – OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - APRIL 8, 2019 (CONTINUED)

- Okaloosa County Public Works has planned a tree planting project in the Santa Rosa Boulevard medians. The project requires BCC approval. The design and cost should be set by June. Sidewalk improvements are also planned along Santa Rosa Boulevard.

- Dave Hancock has appointed Kathy Foster, Dean Hanson, Paula Hudson, Jim Simpson, and himself to the OILA board nominating committee tasked with nominating Directors to fill Board vacancies for the 2019-2020 OILA year. This committee will present its recommendations at the May 13 meeting. If there are nominations from the floor, an election will be held at the June 10 meeting.

John Donovan cited OILA By-Laws specifying the terms of the board seats. There was a discussion that at least five seats were to be filled at the June meeting, with board members David Miller and Glenn McRae continuing another year. President Hancock announced Glenn McRae had resigned.

**IV. MINUTES:** Draft minutes from February 11, 2019 meeting were approved. No minutes were taken for the March 11, 2019 meeting because a quorum of directors was not present. President Hancock stated a vote on the draft January 2019 minutes would be deferred to New Business.

**V. TREASURER'S REPORT:** The March 2019 Treasurer's Report was approved. A motion was made and approved to reimburse Jim Simpson \$24.75 for stamps to mail the April 2019 OIL Lantern.

### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**A. February/March 2019 Architectural Review** (printed in April 2019 OIL Lantern). There were code/covenant compliance questions about the approval of a detached 3-car garage at 514 Dory. A follow-up will be made with Okaloosa County Code Enforcement and the OILA Architectural Review Committee.

- B. Membership: No report.
- C. Website: No report.
- D. Street Lighting MSBU: No report.
- E. Beautification Committee: No report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: Some OILA banners along Santa Rosa Boulevard are missing or in disrepair. Liability insurance required by Gulf Power to affix banners to their poles costs OILA over \$1,000 per year. A motion to drop the Gulf Power liability coverage after banner rigging is removed, and retain OILA directors and officers errors and omissions liability insurance coverage, was made by Martin Coates IV and second by Jonathan Bellio. Motion was passed.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: OILA Membership Voting Procedures Committee. Dean Hanson read committee recommendations. A lengthy discussion followed. No votes were taken. The Committee Report follows, numbers 1 - 6 below.

- 1. Have all attendees sign in.
- 2. For most votes, a roll call vote will be satisfactory.
- 3. Only one vote per addressee.
- 4. Voters must be paid members prior to the meeting.

5. OILA will follow Room Max Occupancy. If too many people come Board reserves the right to postpone the meeting and schedule it for a larger venue for members safety.

6. As per the OILA By-Laws the board will follow the agenda making any proxy votes at the end of the meeting. In the event there is a large attendance the board will hand out ballots for voters to fill out and turn in. Preliminary total will be counted that night with voter's verification prior to a final voter count.

A full discussion of the Committee Report then took place, and is set forth below with matching item numbers:

1. Members must sign in in order to have their votes counted during the meeting.

2. Voting by aye/nay or show of hands from the floor remains acceptable for all votes except Director election votes. President Hancock suggested using U.S. mail to conduct membership votes on controversial items. The consensus of the members was this was unnecessary, expensive, and untimely. Historically membership votes with a high turnout have been overwhelmingly one-sided.

3. Per the OILA By-Laws, there is one vote per person, regardless of the number of properties owned. The consensus was that if a husband and wife own two or more Okaloosa Island properties and pay two membership dues, each is eligible to vote.

DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - APRIL 8, 2019 (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

### DRAFT MINUTES – OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - APRIL 8, 2019 (CONTINUED)

4. This recommendation was opposed as in violation of the OILA By-Laws. The consensus was members could join as soon as they arrive for a meeting which is the current practice. Several present mentioned it is easy to check membership eligibility via property ownership at the time a membership application is submitted.
5. The meeting room size cannot have an impact on a Member's right to vote. Members mentioned larger rooms are available on Okaloosa Island at no charge, and suggested the OILA board obtain a larger venue in advance when substantial or controversial topics are on the agenda rather than call off the meeting based on someone asserting a violation of Room Max limits, which the fire station has never enforced against OILA anyway.

6. The consensus was deferring a vote tally to check eligibility is unnecessary since property ownership can be checked via smartphone. Proxy votes are not permitted by the OILA By-Laws.

A motion was made by Rebecca Sherry, second by Martin Coates IV, to approve the draft January 14, 2019 minutes incorporating corrections she had submitted to the board February 11 and April 3, and had distributed for approval at the February and April membership meetings. President Hancock stated there would not be a vote on any of the minutes corrections. After a lengthy discussion, President Hancock requested a vote of the board on whether to allow the members present to vote on the January 14 meeting minutes. The motion passed 3-1 (President Hancock opposed). The membership then voted to approve the draft minutes with the corrections submitted. The motion was approved.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm (motion by Dean Hanson, second by Jonathan Bellio and passed).

TREASURER'S REPORT: March 11, 2019

### **MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: 261**

### February 11, 2019 TOTAL BALANCE: \$26,842.34

ASSOCIATION DISCRETIONARY FUND BALANCE AS OF February 11,	2019\$ 25,	399.08
RECEIPTS SINCE LAST REPORT:	Membership Dues: \$ Newsletter Fees\$ Total Receipts \$	14.00 <u>3.50</u> 17.50
EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT:	\$ No	Expenditures
<b>EXPENSES PENDING APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT:</b> Reimburse Jim Simpson for stamps to mail the March 2019 OIL Lantern		24.75
TOTAL EXPENSES PENDING APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT \$ 24.75		
ASSOCIATION DISCRETIONARY FUND BALANCE AFTER RECEIPTS, & EXPENSES PENDING APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT AS OF March 11,		5,391.83
BEAUTIFICATION FUND BALANCE AS OF Feb 11, 2019	\$.	1,421.28
BEAUTIFICATION FUND EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT		•
BEAUTIFICATION FUND BALANCE AS OF March 11, 2019		•
CHRISTMAS DECORATING PROJECT 2016 BALANCE AS of Feb 11, 20		
CHRISTMAS DECORATING EXPENDITURES SINCE LAST REPORT		
CHRISTMAS DECORATING FUND BALANCE AS OF March 11, 2019	\$	21.98
SUMMARY: March 11, 2019 Fund Balances		
Association's Discretionary Fund Balance.	\$ 2	25.391.83
Beautification Fund Balance	\$ 1	,421.28
Christmas Decorating Fund Balance (Donations)	\$ 2	1.98
TOTAL FUI	NDS BALANCE\$ 2	26,835.09
Respectfully submitted		

Jim Simpson, Treasurer

### DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - MAY 13, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by President Dave Hancock.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance led by Beth Jeter.

II. ROLL: Board Members Present: President Dave Hancock, Board Members: Lynn Dominique, Dean Hanson, Paula Hudson, Nancy Hunt. Absent: Dave Miller.

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**: There was a discussion from several members suggesting that OILA request more money from the Tourist Development Council ("TDC") and request representation on the TDC board. Dave Hancock stated that he would discuss this with Jennifer Adams, Okaloosa County Tourist Development Department ("TDD") director.

**IV. MINUTES:** Rebecca Sherry made a motion, second by John Donovan, to table approval of the draft April 8, 2019 minutes until the next meeting because the OILA Lantern was published only 48 hours ago. After discussion a vote was taken and the motion was approved. She also requested the January 2019 approved minutes be posted/distributed.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Jim Simpson (See Attachment 1) A motion to approve report with reimbursements was made by Kathy Foster and second by Mike Mitchell. Motion was approved. Jack Pous inquired about earning interest on OILA accounts.

### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Architectural Report: In newsletter.

B. Membership Report: Jim Simpson reported a membership total of 289.

C. Website: No report.

### D. Street Lighting MSBU: Paula Hudson provided report (See Attachment 2).

Alicia Wilson questioned why Gulf Power was charging her personally for a streetlight at 356 Billfish Unit 7. Paula advised it was possible the prior owner had requested the additional light. Both are going to check. Using LED street lighting was mentioned. Paula advised we would have to pay for the replacement and LED lights may not be turtle friendly. Jack Pous suggested that the TDD should pay for lighting on Okaloosa Island for the safety of tourists.

**E. Beautification Committee:** There was a discussion about the placement of trees along Santa Rosa Boulevard. Kathy Foster made a motion to pre-approve up to \$25,000 for the beautification, second by Jonathon Bellio. The motion passed. Paula advised final drawings should be ready by June meeting. Beth Jeter made available the rough drawings for anyone interested. Dave Hancock advised Okaloosa County will begin planting on the Santa Rosa Boulevard median at the end of the year.

**F. Derelict Property:** It was asked what can be done about unkempt property. Paula Hudson advised there is a link to an Okaloosa county form on the OILA website under Complaint. It can be submitted to OILA or Okaloosa county. She mentioned next month's OIL Lantern would include a garden club article on the club's history, fill dirt and permitting. **VII. Old Business**: None.

### VIII. New Business:

Resolutions submitted by David and Rebecca Sherry and John Donovan were reviewed (see attachment 3 for the list of resolutions), and addressed by the Members as follows:

Number 1, Accepted by consensus of the Members without a vote.

Number 2, Rejected by order of the President without a vote, as the President could not be present on June 24.

**Number 3,** Accepted by consensus of the Members in part, without a vote. The President agreed to locate a larger venue for June Director Election meeting. A motion to spend up to \$600 for a larger Election Meeting venue was made by Kathy Foster, second by Martin Coates IV, and passed by the Members.

**Number 4**, Initially rejected by order of the President without a vote, because the OILA Membership List was "privileged". After discussion, the President agreed that a membership list of names only would be given to any member in good standing that requests a list, approved. [There are accommodations in the By-Laws for voting at the June meeting along with voting by mail, approved. Martin Coates IV made the motion, second by Dave Miller.]

**Number 5**, Rejected by order of the President without a vote, because there were provisions in the By-Laws for absentee voting by Members who cannot attend the election.

**Nominating Committee:** Recommendation for board vacancies: Jonathan Bellio, Kathy Foster, Beth Jeter, Jay Odom, Jim Simpson and Johnny Smith. The nominations for Kathy Foster and Jim Simpson were for one-year terms, and they agreed to accept one-year terms, if elected.

**Floor Nominations:** The following were submitted and accepted: Brick Bradford, Rick Deckert, John Donovan, Ed Henderson, Jack Pous, and David Sherry. Mike Mitchell made a motion to close nominations, second by Paula Hudson and passed by the Members.

President Dave Hancock directed the six floor-nominated candidates to prepare a one-page or less summary sheet for inclusion in the ballot mailing.

Director Paula Hudson volunteered to collect ballots.

IX. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm (motion by Mike Mitchell, second by Martin Coates IV and passed

### DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - May 13, 2019 (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

### Attachment 1: TREASURER'S REPORT: May 13, 2019

MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: 289 April 8, 2019 TOTAL BALANCE: \$26,810.34 ASSOCIATION DISCRETIONARY FUND BALANCE AS OF RECEIPTS SINCE LAST REPORT:	
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	Street Lighting Report (Paul Hudson) D2 ISLAND MSBU, May 9, 2019 for February, March & April 2018 Fund Balance\$270,516.41 YTD Estimated Fund Balance <u>\$272,387.81</u> YTD Change\$ <u>1,871.40</u>

# Attachment 3: Five Resolutions submitted for discussion and vote at the May 13, 2019 OILA Membership Meeting: Results of votes on the resolutions listed under May 13 New Business published in this newsletter.

**First Resolution**: It is resolved, that there are six Directorships up for election at the June 2019 OILA Membership Meeting, as follows:

1) Dean Hanson (three year term expiring Directorship), one new director to be elected for a three year term.

2) Lynn Dominique (three year term expiring Directorship), one new director to be elected to a three year term.

3) Nancy Hunt (three year term expiring Directorship), one new director to be elected to a three year term.

4) Paula Hudson (elected by the Directors to fill a vacancy during the 2018 year, which vacancy was a three year term Directorship expiring in 2019), one new director to be elected to a three year term.

5) David Hancock (elected by the Directors to fill a vacancy during the 2018 year, can hold office only until the 2019 election), one new director to be elected to a one year term.

6) Glenn McRae (resigning in 2019 with 1 year remaining on his term), one new director to be elected to a one year term. **Second Resolution**: It is resolved, that the June Meeting Date be set on Monday, June 24, 2019, in order to allow time for the completion of an Absentee Ballot Director Voting Procedure in the event there are more nominations for proposed new Directors than there are Director positions open for Election to the OILA Board.

**Third Resolution**: It is resolved, that the venue for the June 24, 2019 Director Election Meeting be relocated to a facility with sufficient room for 75 Members to comfortably sit, so that the June 2019 OILA Director Election can be conducted in an orderly manner.

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### DRAFT MINUTES - OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION - May 13, 2019 (CONTINUED)

**Fourth Resolution:** It is resolved, that the OILA Treasurer submit the Membership Roster to Interested Members as defined in the Fifth Resolution, for inspection and copying at or immediately after the May 13 OILA Meeting, in order to facilitate an orderly Absentee Ballot Director Election Procedure in the event that Procedure becomes necessary because there are more nominated candidates for Directors of OILA than there are open Directorships available.

**Fifth Resolution:** It is resolved, that the work necessary to promptly generate "provisions [that must be] made for the absentee voting by members who cannot attend the election", be immediately commenced in order to facilitate an orderly Absentee Ballot Director Election Procedure, in the event that Procedure becomes necessary because there are more nominated candidates for Directors of OILA than there are open Directorships available, specifically with the participation of "Interested Members" defined as follows: "All existing Directors and Officers who wish to participate, and all nominees for new Directorships who wish to participate, in the prompt development and execution of such provisions."

# OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION, INC. (OILA) MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT) FOR JUNE 10, 2019

Meeting Location:	Holiday Inn Resort
	1299 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE
	Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

At 7:12 PM a quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by president Dave Hancock. Board members Lynn Dominique, Paula Hudson, and Nancy Hunt were also present.

Dave Hancock announces members have 30 minutes to cast their ballots.

Announcements: Dave Hancock asked for support of Commissioner Ketchel's Veterans Park statue initiative. He said there would be no treasurer's or membership reports as Jim Simpson is absent, and there would be no action on any draft minutes.

Website: Bob Seitz spoke on a potential SoundCloud podcast addition to the OILA website.

Street Lighting MSBU: Dave Hancock gave a brief financial summary.

Architectural Review Committee: Beth Jeter gave a brief update.

Old Business: None.

New Business: The Board of County Commissioners approved a no wake zone around the fueling station in Santa Rosa Sound. Okaloosa County's revised beach vendor ordinance was discussed. Peg Coughlin stated a street sign was missing on Bluefish Drive. Dave Hancock said he would contact Okaloosa County for resolution.

Election: Brick Bradford, Rick Deckert, John Donovan, Kathy Foster, David Sherry, and Jim Simpson will fill the 2019 OILA board vacancies.

Ballot counters were Pat Broyles, Scott Furness, Connie Herring, Paula Hudson, Leanne Jones, and Desley Parker. Paul Lux, Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections, provided assistance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

John S. Donovan Secretary

