

MINUTES OF TIERRA VERDE BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP

Wednesday September 10, 2014
Island Grille & Raw Bar

Call to order: 12:00 Noon Attendance: 40 with 34 Signing
Presiding: Bob Mueller, President

Welcome Remarks by Bob and Self-introductions of members and guests.

Beaches Chamber of Commerce Report - No Representation

Membership Drive - Erin Clem - To date 50 members have renewed their membership and the latest drive has netted 8 new members.

Treasurers Report - Jack Kern - Revenue this year \$21,954, Net Income \$8894.00 with a bank balance of \$12,782.00 + the \$1000.00+ net yet transferred from Regions Bank to TD Bank.

Website and Membership Directory - Investigating the need for a website - when the question was asked about how many had actually accessed our website within the past several months, there were 3 hands. When the membership was asked whether or not they would prefer a hard copy directory or an online directory, the vast majority of the membership indicated that hard copy was the preferred choice. The committee for the directory will be composed of Jim Swayne, Brooks Cavender, Erin Clem and Laurie Laurenty.

Election of the 2014-2015 Board Members: The floor was opened for any additional nominations for officers for 2014-2015, there being none, the current nominees are as follows:

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| President | Robert Mueller |
| Vice President | Rich Gonlin |
| Treasurer | Jack Kern and Judy Willis as Co-Treasurers |
| Secretary | Gary Steinhauer and Janis Froelich as Co-Secretaries |
| Community Events Coordinators | Gaye Wurzbacher and Hunter Grose |

The vote was unanimous for the election of these officers. A Motion to accept from Carol O'bryon and a 2nd from Laurie Laurenty.

Community Events Update:

Carol O'Bryon announced that this year's charitable contribution by the 2014 Oktoberfest would be presented to the Egmont Key Alliance and that the event would give back 25% of profits to the TVBP. The event hours have been changed to 4:00 PM until 10:00 PM. Please let Carol know if you need booth space at this event via obdesign@tampabay.rr.com. The deadline for reserving space is 09/15/2014.

The Tierra Verde Fire Department will be erecting a 32' X 20' Tent which will house the TVBP and the rest of the space will be utilized by members on a first come first served basis day of the event. The silent auction will be held at 9 PM this year.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding limiting food vendors at special events to vendors from the island only after some complaints were registered after the 2014 Car Show. The membership spoke out against this limitation citing other off island participants such as Lowes, Home Depot and Sam's Club. Recommendation was made to have off island food vendors be required to pay a 25% of profits fee for selling their goods. One recommendation was to sell food tickets for all vendors. There will be further discussion on this matter at a future Board meeting.

Captain Larry from the TVFD spoke on Storm Preparedness and recommended that everyone sign up for First Call, a free service provided by the County to assist in getting emergency alerts to the residents via cell phone. You may sign up at: <http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/stayconnected.htm>. He also mentioned that tomorrow September 11th, in partnership with the American Red Cross Citizen CPR Course, in the TVCA Community Room above TD Bank, at 6:00-6:45 and again from 7:00-7:45 PM, will be a demonstration of continuous Citizen CPR. Class size limited to 20 persons. Go to: <http://www.lealmancert.org/> to register.

You can also register for the Lealman CERT Basic Course starting September 14, 16th and ending on Saturday September 20th located at Eckerd College. Go to: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/lealman-cert-basic-course-september-2014-tickets-12592593787> to register and obtain tickets.

Captain Larry Thompson and the Tierra Verde Firefighters were presented with a plaque of appreciation from the Tierra Verde Business Partnership for their years of service in protecting our residents and participating in the community 24/7/365. Thank you TVFD!!!

The next meeting is Breakfast on October the 8th, 7:30 AM at the Island Grille.

Lauric motioned to dismiss the meeting and there was a 2nd.

Adjourned at 12:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary S. Steinhauer
Secretary