

Bay Colony Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2021

Welcome to the Bay Colony Waterfront update! Brought to you by the voluntary Property Owners Association (BCPOA).

BOARD MEETING

BCPOA Annual Meeting in January. We had our annual meeting on January 27th and we had a decent turn out. Thank you!

- We elected new officers and Board Members. At the end of this newsletter are the meeting minutes.
- Your Board members are:
 - Mark Hemsath, Chairman
 - Mike Miano, Vice Chair
 - Karen Kitchie, Treasurer
 - Amelia Hemsath, Secretary
 - Pat Walker, Board Member
 - Adriaan DeVilliers, Board Member
 - Elaine Johnson, Board Member

Dredging committee

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It has been around 20 years since Vic and former residents dredged most of the canals. We had a minor dredging event that Vic spearheaded about 5 years ago for the Arlington bay side folks. The county storm drains all run into our canals! They deposit sand, silt, leaves and all sorts of crap year round. At the same time, we want to know where there are "shallow" spots that are filling in naturally. Our goal will be to get the county to clean up their mess and we will figure out a way to pay for additional dredging of bad areas not associated with the county's mess. Some grants are available. The canals and waterways are our biggest asset!

GARAGE SALE

When: Saturday, March 6, 2021 at 8:00am

One Day Only!

It is that time of year again! Get rid of the stuff you don't need or want! Our annual garage sale is always the first Saturday of March and this year is no exception. We will advertise the event and we will have signs out. Let' hope for nice weather and see you then! We hope to see you there!

WELCOME

NEW NEIGHBORS

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR WONDERFUL NEIGHBORHOOD, PLEASE LET US KNOW! PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION TO US AT INFO@MYBAYCOLONY.ORG OR AT OUR PO BOX TO:

KAREN KITCHIE, TREASURER
PO BOX 425

PALMETTO, FL 34220

BCPOA FIRST CALENDAR YEAR MEMBERSHIP IS ON US SO WE CAN GET TO KNOW YOU!

BCPOA ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 27TH 2021 MEETING MINUTES

- Our meeting was held at Pat Walker's house and the following residents signed in:
 - Mark & Amelia Hemsath, Pat Walker, George Wyatt, Sadie Palmer, John and Bonny Manny, Mike and Brittany Miano, Brad and Elaine Johnson, Carol Dillon, Marilyn Conner, Rodney and Tina O'Quinn, Adriaan DeVilliers, Christine Meier, Chris and Donna Hamlin.
- New Board Members: Elaine Johnson and Amelia Hemsath were nominated and approved. George Wyatt retired and we thank him for his long service to the BCPOA! We asked Vic Coveduck to continue to help us on the Dredging Committee which we have re-activated and populated.
- Officers elected were: Mark Hemsath, Chairman. Mike Miano, Vice Chair. Karen Kitchie, Treasurer. Amelia Hemsath, Secretary.
- Treasurer's Report: We had about 40 members renew YTD and bank balance is around \$22,289.10. Reminders for memberships, which are \$70 per lot, will go out in February.
- Web and Digital Communication: Christine Meier agreed to take this over from Pat Roehl our former neighbor who moved a year ago. As we need to improve our digital footprint. Our website is www.mybaycolony.org
- Dredging Committee: We have decided that an important function for our community is to once again work on dredging issues for the canals. Vic Coveduck, our long time Board Member and activist for us with the county has agreed to help again! Rodney O'Quinn will be leading this effort with Vic's help and also on the committee are Mike Miano and Mark Hemsath. We need two volunteers from the canals between Beacon and Bay State and on the Arlington bay side, as well.
- Welcome Committee Captains: We decided that active captains is a better way to stay on top of things in our neighborhood. There are around 220 lots. New people are moving in regularly and we need help on each street. New welcome committee captains appointed are:
 - Palmetto Point: Rodney O'Quinn
 - Bay State: Pat Walker
 - Beacon: Norma Sica
 - Commonwealth: Jody Goldman
 - Arlington: Brad Johnson
- Main Entry Sign: We will start the project to remove vegetation, sandblast and repair and add lighting to the sign. Re-paint and re-landscape. Mike Miano to coordinate.