

GULF COAST BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
Unit 180
Annual General Membership Meeting

December 14, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 PM by President, Joyce Dozier. She stated that she appreciated working with the Board Members. It was a tough 2 years with unusual circumstances. She also acknowledged the members of the Building Committee: Jerry Grissom, Lynne Logan, Ed Guardanapo, and Frank Battaile, and thanked them for their hard work.

Kelly Moses announced that today was the last day to buy bricks. The bricks are not a money maker. They cost \$31/each. The club would be absorbing the difference.

The Minutes of the 2007 annual membership meeting was read by Acting Secretary, Janet Signer. The Minutes should be corrected to read: no business not on the agenda can be acted upon. Motion was made to accept the corrected version of the minutes, seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Lynne Logan. Motion made by Walter Lewis to accept the report as read, seconded by Ray Skillestad, motion carried.

Old Business:

- Lynne said our clubhouse should be ready by March 2009, and we are hoping to hold the 299er March Madness Sectional in our new clubhouse (Applause).

New Business:

- Amend By-law Article IV, B to read: Special meetings of Unit 180 members to consider specific matters may be called by the Unit Board of Directors or by a petition signed by 20% of the members of the Unit. A member of our unit stated Article IX, A states: Amendments to the By-laws may be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the Unit upon petition signed by at least 50 members and submitted to the Secretary at least 20 days in advance of the annual meeting of the membership or any special meeting called for that purpose. Since the by-law changes were not posted by November 23, 2008 it would be illegal to act upon the by-law changes. Lynne Logan read the part in Roberts Rules stating "if 2/3 of the quorum vote to wave the 20 day rule, then the 20 day rule can be waved and the by-laws can be acted upon. Dave Chakov made a motion suggesting to wave the 20 day rule. The motion was seconded. Comments were then made.

O. J. Shipley said that would be illegal and he will challenge it. He stated it could result in losing our non-profit status.

Don Hopes said it is a minor change, it was an honest mistake not to give 20 days notice.

Marie Stephenson said, she would appreciate getting any and all information in writing.

She does not have access to a computer.

Dave Chakov rescinded his motion. Motion to table voting on the amendment, seconded, motion failed.

Motion to waive the 20 day requirement and vote to change the amendment, seconded, motion carried.

Amend Article IV, B, to read: Special meetings of Unit 180 members to consider specific matters may be called by the Unit Board of Directors or by a petition signed

by 20% of the members of the Unit. Motion made, seconded and carried.

Amend Article IV, C, to read: A quorum for the transaction of business at any annual or special meeting shall consist of 20% of the members. Motion made, seconded and carried.

Powers and Duties Addendum A, the representative traveling to meetings shall receive the standard per diem and mileage compensation. Motion made, seconded and carried.

Addendum B, financial statements and records shall be audited every year.

Discussion

followed stating the term "audited" would mean an outside source and could be very costly. Motion to table this suggestion - carried.

Article IX, A, to read: Amendment to the By-laws may be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the Unit upon petition signed by at least 20% of the members and submitted to the Secretary at least 20 days in advance of the annual meeting of the membership or any special meeting called for that purpose. Motion made, seconded and carried.

- The President said we should remember those members who passed away this year: H. C. Barlow, Paulette Sherrell, Sondra Parker, Nell Bishop, Jane Moore-Baker, and Bob Rose.
- New Board Members: Jerry Grissom moved that as there were no opposing candidates, we should accept the slate by acclamation. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn, seconded, and carried. Meeting was closed at 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Signer, Acting Secretary

