

# Island of Key Largo Federation of Homeowners Association

## July 8, 2015 General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by the President Dottie Moses at 7:00 PM at the Key Largo Library Community Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted by the attendees. The following Directors were in attendance: Burke Cannon, David Leahy, Lee Huenninger, Elizabeth Greco, Jim DuGranrut and Linda Perloff.

- Guest Speaker

Dottie introduced Karen Beal & Diane Marshall who recently published *Keys to Living: A Practical Guide to Living a Long Life in Key Largo, Tavernier and Islamorada*. They distributed free copies of their book which is also available for free online, [www.FloridaKeysLiving.org](http://www.FloridaKeysLiving.org).

Dottie next introduced the guest speaker, Cynthia McPherson, Senior Director of Code Compliance. Ms McPherson talked about the Clean Up Key Largo Initiative and said she would be giving the BOCC an update at the Sept 16 BOCC meeting. There is a new inspector in Marathon to deal with illegal vacation rentals and she will be coordinating with the tax collectors' office. There is a new noise ordinance being developed. It will be written differently for residences and businesses. The first reading should be in September.

### Treasurer's Report

Secretary Ann Nickerson was not in attendance- no report

### Secretary's Report

As part of the Federation's efforts to reduce paper, minutes can be found on the Federation's website ([www.iklfha.org](http://www.iklfha.org)).

### President's Report

FIRM sent the Federation a Thank You note for \$100 donation.

The Bayside Path is finished and along with the landscaping and Clean Up Key Largo, the appearance of Key Largo has dramatically improved.

The Sheriff's Office will be enforcing the NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES rule on the new path.

Noise Ordinance – Commissioner Murphy has advised that the county is making progress on the noise ordinance.

The Height limit and Offshore Islands Comp Plan amendment – next DRC meeting has been postponed until Aug 25.

Tavernier Volunteer Fire Department and Key Largo Fire-Rescue and Emergency Medical Services District - The Tavernier Community is exploring the possibility of pursuing a merger of the TVFD and the KLFREMSD. They pay 3x the amount in taxes for their fire service and wonder rather joining the Key Largo fire district would make sense.

No one applied for TDC Capital Projects funding for 2015 and so there were no funds allocated. The TDC will be opening up another opportunity for applications in the fall.

The TDC will be meeting in Key Largo on Tuesday July 21 at the Hilton at 10:00 AM. The TDC has a budget of over \$51 million this year.

#### Old Business

Adopt –A- Highway – Dottie encourages HOAs to consider adopting a section of the highway where it fronts their neighborhoods.

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/statemaintenanceoffice/AAHBrochure%2002-10-09.pdf>

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please call FWC** at 1-800-636-0511 to report Fish Kills in your canal.

To **report illegal vacation rentals** call the Tax Collector's Office at 1-855-422-4540, or the tax office can be contacted via email at [mail@monroetaxcollector.com](mailto:mail@monroetaxcollector.com). Callers can choose to identify themselves or remain anonymous.

#### NO MEETING IN AUGUST

Next Meeting – September 9, 2015

The meeting was adjourned