

CARLETON CLARION

THE CARLETON OAKS NEWSLETTER

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ANNUAL MEETING OF HOMEOWNERS

The annual meeting of the Carleton Oaks Home Owners' Association was held in the Egret Room at the Ibis Golf and Country Club, across Northlake Blvd. from Carleton Oaks. A quorum was declared present by Carolynne Casale, counting those present either in person or by proxy. The meeting began a little after 7:00 P. M. on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2006. About 50 people were present. Jim Stiles, President of the Board, chaired the meeting. After a brief report on the state of the community for the past year, which was dominated by the hurricanes, he gave a brief statement about our financial status, which is healthy. He recognized the role of various volunteers in the community, each of whom was given a round of applause from the audience.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The President then awarded a plaque to Sal Marino, first president of the Board, who is soon to be moving from our community, and will no longer be serving on the Board. Also in recognition of his years of service, a caricature signed by many of the Carleton Oaks residents was presented to him.

RESIGNATION BY BOARD MEMBER

Dan Lishansky, elected to the Board only last year, indicated that he has submitted his resignation from the Board, and will be moving shortly. He went on to explain that the problem was commuting daily to South Florida. Under our present rules, he will be replaced by someone who will be appointed by the Board for one year, until a replacement is elected at the next annual meeting.

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Given that he was a candidate for election, the President then turned over the chair to Sal Marino, who opened the floor to nominations, as required. Several people were nominated, and the nominations closed. Each of the nominees was given an opportunity to address those in attendance

BOARD ELECTIONS

There were a total of three nominees from the floor (John Costas, Marshall Harris, and Bill Turnbull), and one previously announced candidate (Jim Stiles). The Homeowners were instructed to vote for two of these individuals to become Directors for two-year terms. Jim Stiles and John Costas were elected by a majority of those voting, either in person or by proxy

OPEN DISCUSSION

The last segment of the Annual Meeting is an Open Discussion, in which Homeowners have the opportunity to address concerns directly to the Board. Questions were raised about the preserves that belong to (and are maintained by) our community. The Board indicated that it is presently negotiating with the DiVosta organization regarding this property and its maintenance. A question was raised about amending our rules to indicate the length of time for which a unit may be rented.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

Following the regular Annual Meeting, in accordance with State Law, the Board usually holds a special organizational meeting, at which it elects the officers for the coming year. The new officers of the Board are

Jim Stiles----- President
John Ali-----Vice-Pres.
Suanne Leavell-----
Secretary
John Costas ---Treasurer

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

The ACC of Carleton Oaks would like all residents to be aware that, according to our homeowners' documents, residents are required to submit applications for all modifications of their property, however inconsequential such modifications may seem. Many residents have not yet submitted applications to the ACC, and they will shortly be receiving letters from Bristol Management concerning these violations. Remember that your house cannot be sold if it has unapproved alterations. The next meeting of the ACC will be on Thursday, March 2, 2006, at 6:00 P.M. in the Community Clubhouse.. All homeowners are, of course, invited to attend.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The Annual Meeting was adjourned at about 8:15 PM. The next regular meeting of the Board will be on March 9, 2006, at 7:00 PM in the Clubhouse. All residents, as usual, are invited to attend.

ENTRY INTO TRAFFIC

Drivers are once again requested not to proceed to the center of Northlake Blvd. when there is already a vehicle waiting to make a turn. It is difficult to see oncoming traffic under these conditions, and creates a very dangerous situation. A sign has been posted to this effect at the community entrance.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Residents often have ideas or information that should be included in this Newsletter. Please let us know what you are thinking; just drop us a line, using the official mailbox.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Unlike many of the larger communities in the area, we should have lots of volunteers to serve on committees, etc. If you would like to volunteer for any of our community activities, just drop a line to the Board or the Newsletter Committee.