**CLEARWATER BEACH ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES** February 3, 2015

**Board Members, Present:**  Samuel Hutkin, Gary Athanason, Steve Samaha, Chip Abrahamsen, David MacNamee, Judi Atkins, Robert Prast, Beth Prast, Ben Atkins.

The meeting was called to order by President Atkins who was given approval to dispense with Robert’s Rules of Order.

**Guests:** From the City of Clearwater: Lt. William Valveri, Police District Commander for the Beach; Gina Clayton, Planning Department; Terry Tunis, Code Compliance Manager; Julie Phillips, Code Inspector; Hoyt Hamilton, Councilman; and numerous community residents.

Short-term rentals on the beach: Gina Clayton distributed a map of such properties and a list of original property owners. Terry Tunis cautioned that code compliance enforcement requires that an inspector both view and testify regarding violations. He requested citizens report any suspect advertising for illegal rentals. Julie Phillips suggested “block captains” to monitor neighborhoods, but that knocking on doors should be left to authorities.

Councilman Hamilton said installation of all parking meters on Mandalay is being completed. He talked about the need for a replacement maintenance garage on the beach, possibly in combination with a fire station and parking.

**Police Report:** Lt. Valveri had no crime to report. He said the annual spring break is projected to run from the end of February through mid-April this year. He advised a curfew situation (i.e. Cat. 4/5 storm disaster) re-entry plan for the barrier islands will be implemented later this month; registration of beach residents/businesses is expected to be completed before hurricane season.

**Minutes**: January minutes were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Robert gave the Treasurer’s report; there are currently 81 members.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership Communications**: David said the website is being updated; the preferred address is [www.clearwaterbeachassoc.com](http://www.clearwaterbeachassoc.com). He suggested the CBA invest in a message board; he will check with the City.

**Other:** David and Samuel will investigate ‘permit parking’. Clarification of current board members was requested by the Secretary. Anne Garris issued an invitation to the annual meeting of the Friends of the Clearwater Beach Recreation Center/Library on February 11.

*Vicki Jackson, Secretary*