

BAYSHORE BANNER

In our 63rd year of serving the community

Upcoming Events

January 2: 7 pm Annual Organization Meeting

January 6: 7-9 pm Jam Session

January 8: 7 pm Work Session

January 9: 7 pm HOA Meeting

January 11: 10am Woodchoppers

January 11: 6:30 pm BGYC Change of Watch

January 13: 7-9 pm Jam Session

January 14: 7 pm Neighborhood Watch

January 20: 7-9 pm Jam Session

January 22: 7 pm Board of Trustees

January 23: 7-9 pm Jam Session

**Find January 2020 Tide Table
online at bayshoregardens.org**

**Board Meeting Minutes are
available online**

**The Bayshore Gardens Pool is
now closed for the season**

Changes at the Top

To resigning Trustees, Sharon Denson and Dan Rawlinson, we say Thank You for your years of service and all the effort you put in to making Bayshore Gardens a better place to live. We wish you well as you enjoy your time off the Board.

At the same time we are welcoming new Board Members Katie Chmiel and John Lindsey and re-elected Trustees Belle Baxter, Thom Williams and Terry Zimmerly. You are invited to the Board's Annual Re-organization Meeting to be held on Thursday, January 2 at 7 pm in the Recreation Hall. At that time oaths of office will be administered and new officers will be elected.

Belle Baxter

Scuttlebutt from the Bridge

The Bayshore Gardens Yacht Club Change of Watch will be January 11th at 6:30 pm and is open to all. Tickets are \$10.00 a person. Please bring your beverage of choice plus an appetizer to share. There will be dancing after the ceremony, with music provided by the Carolyn Davis Band.

Tickets will be sold at the door or phone:
Winnie: 607-435-6193 or Terry: 941-302-4920

Winnie Denny-Smith



Super Bowl Party

Sat. Feb. 2nd 6 pm until...Bring a beverage of choice and a snack to share.

Hot Dogs & fixins will be available.

Bayshore Gardens Rec Hall

RSVP to 941-666-8784 www.bayshoregardens.org

Woodchoppers Club

Our next meeting, our 'Annual Meeting', is Saturday, January 11th at 10:00 am in the shop. Elections for the 2020 Officers will take place at the end of the meeting. The door combination will change a day prior to the meeting.

2020 Memberships will be available immediately after the January 11th meeting, not before.

Items to be carried over to 2020 from this year included:

- * Dust collector system(s) installation. Back door installation. Membership will be notified of the date.
 - * Surplus Equipment: Delta drill press, Craftsman band saw, Craftsman (10") radial arm saw; all redundant tools.
- District Trustees need to vote on their disposition.

We had a meeting December 14th. Items of interest follow:

- *Thank you Harold Donaldson for helping Ms. Angrave with some needed wood cuts in October.
- *Harold donated a router bit set to the shop. Thank you, Harold, again.
- *Harold and Don installed a new table top for the radial arm saw.
- *The band saw blade was re-installed.
- *The table saw belt came 'in' and was installed (it had been back ordered).
- *Discussion on getting LED shop lighting (efficient and no mercury). Some lights are not working, now.

As always, if there is any problem with a tool, please notify an officer and leave a note/tag on the tool. Club Officers' numbers are listed on the front window. Use safety equipment when using any power tool. Shop users are required to sign-in at the door and clean up after using the shop.

Homeowners Association

December 2019

Date: 12/12/2019

Place: Bayshore Gardens Recreation Center

Time: 7:00 pm

Attendance: Dan Rawlinson, Joyce Fisher, Susan Donaldson, Marie Young.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary: approval of minutes as noted in Banner.

Treasurer Report: Review of Bank account and petty cash account. Balance of account matches with Bank statement.

Membership for 2019: 99 as of 12/12/2019

Old Business: · Thanksgiving Dinner was held on November 28th at 2 pm with Turkey and all the fixings. We had 29 persons who attended and enjoyed the meal. It was a good time for all.

· Christmas events: Wednesday, December 11th we set up four trees with lights and decorations. On Friday, December 13th we will have a movie, Polar Express, with popcorn and kool aid in the hall. We will have a Christmas themed Breakfast on Saturday December 14, 9 am to 11 am. Then we will end the week with our Christmas Party on December 15, 1 to 3 pm.

New Business: · Officer Elections---no attendants to volunteer for Board members.

HOA welcomes anyone to join the HOA for their meetings. Meetings are usually held the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm, at our Recreation Center Board Room.

Next meeting will be on January 9, 2019 at 7 pm.
Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Donaldson

Homeowner's Association Secretary

Manager's Minutes

A BREAKDOWN OF COSTS AND HOW YOUR ANNUAL ASSESSMENT IS SPENT

The Recreation District Tax, also known as a special assessment, is a fee that every homeowner located within the Bayshore Gardens District pays for the operation of the District per the Charter, which is the governing document of Bayshore Gardens. This assessment is paid annually with your real estate taxes and is currently \$367. The total annual income to the District from this fee is \$535,262 less \$15,590 which is a 3% fee payable to the County for their fee collection services leaves \$519,672. The payroll for 5 year-round employees and seasonal pool employees is \$305,000 which includes \$55,000 payroll taxes and worker's compensation fees. This leaves \$214,672.00 from the assessment to operate the District. In addition to the above noted costs, the District pays an annual insurance premium of \$41,313. Utility costs (electric, water, garbage, dumpsters) are roughly \$21,000 and chlorine year-round for the pool is approximately \$18,000. Deducting the insurance/utility costs -\$80,313 from \$214,672 now leaves \$134,359 for operational expenses for a year. Out of the remaining funds, equipment must be maintained along with cleaning and office supplies purchased.

The published 2019-2020 budget carried over reserve funds in the amount of \$1,313,393.43 which funded the ramp repair, marina and hall renovation projects. The marina renovation, slated to be completed in January 2020, has been one of the largest and most expensive projects undertaken. The majority of money for the marina came from a reserve account which has been built up over the years. The fees collected for usage of the marina and hall are being appropriated to make these areas self-funding and build reserves for future repairs/renovations.

The rental fees for residents are discounted due to the annual assessment paid by all residents. Bayshore Gardens has a very low annual fee in comparison to other Special District in the vicinity.

Special Districts Annual Assessments:

Trailer Estates \$1,100

Tri Par Estates \$1,040

Holiday Park \$1,345

Bayshore Gardens \$367.00

The other Special Taxing Districts charge their residents for use of amenities as well.

Bayshore Gardens will spend approximately 1.5 million dollars on renovations and has managed to do so without raising the assessment, and with an assessment 1/3 of other Special Districts. From inception of the Special Taxing District in 1979 when the annual assessment was approximately \$25.00, the fee has not risen with inflation, currently 2.1% per the U.S. Labor Department, nor the cost of living. Likewise, in comparison to other Districts in our area, our annual fee is 1/3 of what they charge their residents.

Those who use the marina and hall pay nominal fees to offset significant increases in the annual assessment that affect all residents. The fairness in this system is that those who utilize the marina and recreation hall, pay a nominal fee which keeps the annual assessment low for all residents. Those who do not use the hall or marina are not penalized with large assessment increases to cover these areas. Rather, the hall and marina self-fund themselves from the fees generated for use and are assisting in establishing reserve funds for maintenance of these areas and build future funds for repairs and/or improvements.

Ultimately, we all win in terms of higher property values when the District is properly maintained and improved. Homes listed for sale in Bayshore Gardens, highlight the pool, marina, recreation hall and the park that offers Sarasota Bayfront views. These amenities add contributory value to the market value of a home, as it is an inherent right of ownership in the community. Other area communities who offer anything close to the Bayshore amenities, are typically condominiums who pay a monthly fee comparable to our annual fee.

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Manager's Minutes *Continued*

Although there's been a recent increase in access to the boat ramp from \$40 to \$80 for annual use, the rate remains very reasonable for a new and improved boat ramp with a cost of \$296,869.20. The county is currently reviewing daily parking rates for public ramps at a cost of \$6 per day. Bayshore Gardens rate of \$80 would get you access to a public ramp 13 times a year if this proposed fee is passed. County access for 365 days a year would be \$2,190! Unlimited annual access 24/7 in comparison is a great deal.

Unfortunately, rising costs seem to be a part of life. From a gallon of gas to a loaf of bread, what has not increased over the past decade? The volunteers on the Board of Trustees have managed the funds of the District well.

\$519,672.00 (which is less 3% retained by County for processing fee) Annual assessments-
305,000.00 minus payroll which includes \$55,000 payroll taxes/workers' compensation

\$214,672.00 Balance

-80,313.00 Minus annual insurance premium
\$41,313/Utilities
\$21,000/chlorine
\$18,000

\$134,359.00 Balance left for operational expenses for the year which includes maintenance equipment repairs, office, cleaning supplies. Theft/damage to District property would also come out of this fund.

Jodie Lawman

Neighborhood Watch December 2019

Date: 12/10/2019, Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Bayshore Gardens Recreation Center

Attendance: Dan Rawlinson, Terry Zimmerman, Susan Donaldson, Barbara Greenberg, Allan Riga, Deb Korell and Marie Young.

Call to Order: at 7:00 pm by Dan Rawlinson

Pledge of Allegiance

Dinner: Chili, cornbread, pizza, deserts, juices, water and fruits. Dinner was delicious. Thanks for these delicious foods.

Secretary: Susan reports that the minutes were published in the December 1, 2019 Banner. Approved by all.

Treasurer: Terry reported the treasury updated expenses. Approved by all.

New program, new direction: See Something, Say Something.

Old Business: none

New Business: 1. Discussion about homeless living out on the island behind the recreation district. Perhaps the gate should be locked at all times to prevent boat launching to supply items for those living there.

2. Block parties: we are planning several more so neighbors can meet neighbors. Planned streets include: Cornell Road; South end of 26th street and all of Radcliff; 34th Street West and FL Blvd; South Wellesley and Columbia area; Case Avenue. Neighborhood Watch will provide name tags, plates, cups, chips and drinks. Homeowners will provide a driveway and lawn.

3. No block parties during the summer months of July to September.

4. Consider an Annual Block Reunion in the summer months in the Recreation Center.

5. Plan for Elections discussion at January Board meeting.

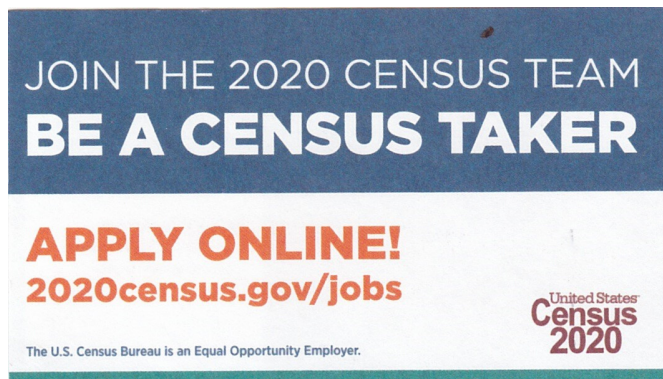
Adjournment: 7:45 pm

Next meeting will be on January 14, 2019 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Donaldson

Neighborhood Watch Secretary



CERT - We are "Neighbors helping Neighbors"

A STOP THE BLEEDING CLASS is scheduled for January. The class is sponsored by CERT and will be instructed by Manatee County Emergency Management. The class is open and free of charge. The class will last 1 ½ to 2 hours depending on the number in the class. If you are interested, please call 752-7421 or email originaltr@cs.com for information to set up a class in Bayshore. Once you are certified in the Stop the Bleeding class, you will be qualified to teach the class.

CERT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our CERT program in Bayshore is new to us and growing and we welcome new CERT members that have been certified by taking the Manatee County FEMA training. You are trained to keep yourself safe while you complete search and rescue, light firefighting, first aid/CPR and damage assessment.

Hurricane Irma has taught all of us a lot about being prepared. We will be working much closer with Cedar Hammock Fire and Rescue and Manatee County Sheriff's Dept. to insure the safety of our CERT members and our community.

Manatee County is the sponsor of the County-wide CERT program and is charged by FEMA with training our CERT members. Emergency Management and the Fire Departments have realized the importance of those extra trained hands in an emergency and the CERT training classes are filling up within 24 hours of posting notice of the class, leaving our new volunteers out of the classes.

Your CERT members are kept informed of the progress of setting class schedules and the registration process and can assist you in registration and acceptance into the class. Email originaltr@cs.com or call 941-752-7421 for more information.

The time commitment to CERT is minimal once you are trained. We meet once a month, with a short training FEMA film and a business meeting. Drills are held for training purposes. We also offer First Aid and CPR classes for our members. These classes are optional.

Our CERT program is working with the County to establish the CERT Coalition of Manatee County. This effort will put the Teams, Sheriff's Dept, and Fire Depts. together to serve the total community where and when needed. This is a real win for those of us who live close to the water.

*Happy New Year to all
Sharon Denson*

Bayshore Gardens Jam Session

Join us for great music every Monday night from 7pm -9pm in the Rec center.
Open to all musicians.

All are welcome to come and listen.
Call Nel for details - 217-883-0950



Manatee Matters with Commissioner Misty Servia

Reflecting on 2019

The year 2019 is coming to an end as I write, and as a goal-setter, I like to look back and think about the things I am most proud of and what I could have handled better. Every year it is hard to take time to give these things the proper reflection, as my life moves at a pace that sometimes feels like the speed of light, but each year I silently remind myself of the importance of finding some quiet time to reflect. Because, while we move forward each day with the best intentions, life can only be understood when we think about it in hindsight. As I reflect on my first year as a County Commissioner, I realize I have learned a lot, and there are two things that stand out: 1. Listening is more important than talking, and 2. keeping emotions in check is easy if you don't take things personally. Being an elected official allows me to interact with many people, and some come to me with a problem or complaint. Sometimes their problem makes them angry and difficult, which can naturally place me on the defense. But each time I am reminded to take a breath, refocus my perspective, and to try and understand what they are feeling. I have come to realize this past year more than ever before, the importance of understanding other perspectives. I've found that when you try to understand each other, it is easier to bring compassion to the discussion rather than judgment. And if you didn't already guess, being on the commission can sometimes feel like a crazy roller coaster, but I've learned that being open to other ideas is how we build paths to walk together instead of putting up walls that stop us dead in our tracks. I am proud of what I, along with your help, accomplished as a commissioner in 2019. Here are some highlights: 1. The creation of the District 4 Citizens Coalition on Growth, to add more voices to the discussion of how our community should grow. This was a campaign promise that was my first priority. 2. Adoption of the public safety ordinance was a big win, which will not only reduce panhandling, but hopefully reduce the number of pedestrian fatalities on our roadways. 3. Our Board unanimously supported the adoption of a massage parlor ordinance in an effort to eliminate nuisance businesses that are straining our resources and contributing to human trafficking in our community. 4. Many residents in Pride Park will soon receive surveillance doorbells thanks to Ring.com in an effort to increase safety, and our Sheriff's Office has taken a lead role in this effort.



Looking ahead, I am excited to work with our Code Enforcement Department and our major landlords in 2020 in an effort to develop a program together to foster community pride in our neighborhoods. I believe that one of the keys to making sense of all of our relationships is to continue to expand our perspective from "how I feel" to "how others feel." This shift removes the narrow blinders of our comfortable view, and widens our vision, sometimes to an uncomfortable place. Whether my role is a county commissioner, a mother, and even a spouse or friend, this shift has helped me when seeking to understand others. As we begin the year 2020, I pray we can all take some time to savor the joys and sorrows of the past year and open our minds to the opinions of others as we build our future. And while we think about what is important, let us also broaden those thoughts to consider what is important not only to ourselves, but to our family, coworkers, and our community. Let's make 2020 the best year yet!

Misty Servia is a Manatee County Commissioner who represents District 4 and can be reached at misty.servia@mymanatee.org

The Bayshore Banner

CRITICAL CONNECTIONS

Animal Services 742-5933
Wildlife Rescue 778-6324
Humane Society 747-8808
B. G. Neighborhood Watch 755-9388
B. G. HOA 755-9388
Building Permits 749-3078
Child Protective Services (CPS) 345-1200
Citizens Action Center 747-4357
Code Enforcement 748-2071
Nuisance Abatement 737-2356
Coast Guard 794-1261
Coast Guard Auxiliary 794-1607
County Commissioners 748-4501
Dist. 4, Misty Servia 745-3713
County Agric. Extension Office 722-4524
County Health Dept. 748-0747
County Neighborhood Services 749-3029
County Planning Dept. 749-3070
County Zoning Ordinances 749-3070
Crime Tip Hotline 747-2677
Elder Help Line 800-963-5337
Library, South County 755-3892
Meals on Wheels PLUS 747-4655
SHERIFFS DEPT. 747-3011
Marine Patrol 747-3011
State College of Florida 752-5000
Transportation/MCAT 749-7116
YMCA 782-0270

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NOTICE OF MEETINGS FOR 2020

2020 Meeting Dates for Bayshore Gardens Park & Recreation District. All meetings are held in the Bayshore Gardens Recreation hall located at 2616 26th Street W., Bradenton, FL 34207 at 7 pm. Any individuals needing more information or special accommodations to attend a meeting, may call the District Office at (941) 755-1912

Work Sessions	Board of Trustees	Committee
January 8	January 22 * (Annual Organizational Meeting)	January 2*
February 5	February 19	February 26
March 4	March 18	March 25
April 8	April 22	April 29
May 6	May 20	May 27
June 3	June 17	June 24
July 8	July 22	July 29
August 5	August 19	August 26
September 2	September 16	September 23
October 7	October 21	October 28
November 4	November 18	November 25
December 2	December 16	December 23

Classified Ads:

Personal classified ads free to residents. Business classifieds are \$5 per month to residents.
Classified ads to non-residents are \$10 per month.

BOATS FOR SALE

30' Morgan Out Island, good condition. Best Price \$7,500 Will sail any place you want to go. Contact Dan @ 755-9388

FOR SALE

Bayshore Gardens Home Nestled on a quiet, shady street find this ship-shape 2 Br, 1.5 Bath charmer. Very comfortable. Enjoy all that our waterfront Rec. Center has to offer. Asking \$182,500. 941-705-7370 or email: atyoungnelson@icloud.com

Rattan Table with 1/2" glass top. Contemporary? Very versatile. Asking \$115. (4 wicker chairs avail) 942-705-7370 Delivery Avail.

1990 Cadillac Allante Convertible – hard and soft top 99,999 miles, in great condition. \$3,500. Contact Dan 941-755-9388

Dresser: 5-Drawer, "Italian" style, midcentury. Good condition. 38" wide x 51" high. All solid wood. "Fruitwood" finish. \$75 Can send pics. 941-705-7370

2007 Mercury Grand Marquise (60,000 miles) 4 door, one owner, smokes tone metallic color in great condition (luxurious car). – Contact: Peter - 941-758-1488

SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS

Copying: .15 b/w , Copying: .50 color
Faxing: \$1.00 flat for up to 10 pages & .25 per page after that
Notary: \$5.00 per ACT

WANTED

Pet Sitting and Walking – Bayshore Gardens resident will watch your pet when you travel or walk your dog on those long days when you can't get home to do it yourself. Large fenced yard for play time. For more information call Judy 941-704-4577

HELP WANTED

Help, Help, Help Wanted: Anyone to pull weeds and yard work. Starting at \$10/hour or by the job. Call Dan at (941) 755-9388

Part-Time Bookkeeper for QuickBooks data entry. Based in Bayshore Gardens. Flexible scheduling. REQUIRE QuickBooks experience, basic accounting knowledge, and good computer skills. Must be detail oriented. Experience with posting website updates is a BIG bonus. \$9-14/hr depending on experience. 941-448-9173



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Real Estate Listings for Bayshore Gardens

Real Estate Sold In November

Address	Baths	Beds	Price
2305 S WELLESLEY DR	1	3	\$118,000
1808 BAYSHORE GNS PKWY	1	3	\$135,000
6431 LAFAYETTE RD	1	2	\$170,000
6623 RENSSALAER DR	1	2	\$179,000
6416 CASE AVE	1	3	\$179,700
1105 DARTMOUTH DR	1	3	\$200,000
6711 26TH ST W	2	3	\$209,500
6514 WELLESLEY DR	2	3	\$216,000
2408 COLGATE AVE	2	3	\$237,000
6119 DARTMOUTH DR	2	2	\$238,500
6831 GEORGIA AVE	2	2	\$261,000

Real Estate For Sale

Address	Beds	Baths	Sale Price
1208 YALE AVE	3	1	\$169,999
6431 GEORGIA AVE	3	2	\$232,111

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