

**Bayshore Gardens Park & Recreation District
Special Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday May 24, 2021 7 PM**

Preliminaries - Meeting was called to order by Dan Rawlinson (1st Chair) at 7:03 pm. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Trustees Attending - Steve Watkins, Barbara Greenberg, Melanie Woodruff, Terry Zimmerly, Barbara Susdorf, Dan Rawlinson, and Belle Baxter. Absent Morris Raymer.

S. Watkins called for the scheduled Annual Budget Meeting to be rescheduled for a future date citing that the letter of notification of increase in assessment sent out to the residents was misleading.

S. Watkins made a motion to postpone the Annual Budget Meeting until the notification letter is put in the proper format and get it mailed out to the residents. **B. Greenberg seconded.** Discussion ensued. T. Zimmerly - the governing statute's requirement was met. The letter was vetted through the attorney for the Bayshore Gardens District. To reschedule will cost over \$700.00 in postage plus the manhours to process the mailing. (15hrs last time) S. Watkins - letter went out without board approval. B. Baxter - where would the funds come from to pay for this considering our budget. S. Watkins - the notification was questioned last year. B. Greenberg - the Charter does not mention a letter going out only that the information be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Manatee county. The owner must attend the meeting to vote. A letter would be required in the event of a significant increase. B. Baxter cited last years meeting indicated that people know they can vote. S. Watkins-letter should have come before the Board. **Comments from the Public in attendance:** J. Woodruff - the letter was legal, do not reschedule and pay the cost again. M. Smith - is concerned about the Board's attitude and she agrees with S. Watkins. S. Densen - concerned with ethics and concern of the Board for the residents. Unidentified 1 - I did not know I could vote. It would have been helpful if it were in the letter. A. Hange - the letter is legal go forward but get it right next time. Unidentified 2 - did not understand last years letter until it was explained, letter was misleading. (public's comments were taken throughout the meeting) D. Rawlinson called for the vote. The vote was taken. S. Watkins, B. Greenberg in favor. M. Woodruff, T. Zimmerly, B. Susdorf, D. Rawlinson, and B. Baxter opposed. **Motion Failed.**

D. Rawlinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion was **seconded by B. Susdorf.** Meeting was adjourned 7:34 pm.

