

# November 1, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

## 1. Call to Order

The November Board Meeting was called to order on November 1, 2023, at 5:45 pm and was presided over by Melinda Bowker - President. Melinda reviewed the agenda.

## 2. Roll Call

Five attendees were present via zoom meeting. The roll was called by Melinda Bowker. The following 2023 Board Members were present: Melinda Bowker, Guillermo Torres, Lianne Rubbo, Ian Lubetkin, and Debbie Pickler. Absent Board member Ernie Cordova, Steven Yaro, and Lorena Melgarejo quorum was met with 5 of 8 Board members present.

## 3. Admin

- Review of Board Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2023, October 4, 2023 and Membership Meeting of October 18, 2023 were deferred until the next Board Meeting.
- **Board updates: RIP- Former Board Member Linda Davis (DFLCA Board 2020-2022) passed away on 10/3/23:** Celebration of Life on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 350 Las Olas Place (350 SE 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301), 2:00pm-5:00pm.

## New Business

### 4. Treasury

- Wells Fargo (Business Checking) balance: \$10,544.30; PayPal: \$1,512.11; **Total= \$12,056.41**

### 5. **\*2023 Vote on Locally Preferred Alternative for the New River Crossing for the Broward Commuter Rail (Bridge v Tunnel)**

- Broward County currently scheduled to decide prior to February 2024; *have asked Broward County Mayor Lamar Fisher (District 4- our district) to attend a Membership Meeting*
- To be on City Commission again on November 7, 2023
- <https://www.sun-sentinel.com/2023/10/28/will-commuter-trains-cross-the-new-river-by-bridge-or-tunnel-county-to-likely-make-final-call/>
- Recording: Joint Study for New River Crossing Alternatives Workshop/Presentation - October 10, 2023  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t\\_\\_6x5c2-Lk&t=832s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t__6x5c2-Lk&t=832s)
- [Tunnel v Bridge Backup Items Folder](#)

### 6. Ideas for Next Membership Meeting

- Update on impacts of Surfside Bills on Reserves in Condos (SB 4D signed 5/26/22 and SB 154 signed 6/9/23)
- Insurance in Florida



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<https://www.sun-sentinel.com/2023/10/30/condo-reserve-rules-and-rising-insurance-costs-could-lead-to-foreclosure-crisis-people-are-going-to-be-losing-their-homes/>

- Overview of Approved Downtown Multi-Family Projects
- Guest speaker: our County Commissioner Lamar Fisher and/or our State Representative Chip LaMarca

7. **Nominating Committee: Meet separately to bring forward slate for 2024 DFLCA Board**
8. Updates – Social  
Holiday Social – form a committee; vote on Budget  
Participated in the 10.28.23 Trunk or Treat at Tarpon River with other Neighborhoods.
9. **Riverwalk South Radial Fountains at SE 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue non-functioning – communication to City**

## Old Business

### 10. Green Your Routine

- Melinda attended 10/9 rep meeting; Lorena and Sonia Jones represented DFLCA at 10/21 GYR- pruning food forest at Snyder Park

## Other Business

11. Treasurer Debbie Pickler stated her need to resign from the DFLCA Board as she was moving to Palm Beach County. As she would no longer be in our jurisdiction, she shared that this would be her last meeting. Melinda thanked her for her years of service.
12. The meeting was adjourned by Melinda Bowker at 6:32 pm.

Minutes prepared by: **Lorena Melgarejo**      **2023 Recording Secretary**

Minutes approved by: **Board at Meeting held on January 29, 2024**

Recording Secretary Approval:

*Lorena Melgarejo*

Date: January 29, 2024