

KIAWAH ISLAND
COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2024

Immediately following the KICA Annual Meeting

Virtual and In-Person Meeting

Board Members Present:

David DeStefano, Secretary

Lisa Mascolo, Treasurer

Cherie Gallagher

Amanda Mole, Developer Director

Kevin Donlon

Paul Hennessy

Dwight Williams

Staff Members Present:

Shannon White, COO

Ellen Festa, Executive Assistant

Recording of Meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BmEyildURw>

Begins at 53:25 mark

1. Call to Order

Secretary David DeStefano called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m.

2. Member Comments on Agenda Topics

Member Judy O'Brien – 243 Sea Marsh Drive – commented on the chance for a new beginning and to see the acrimony and hostility of the past Board eliminated and move into a period of courtesy and goodwill. Vote for Chair most likely a split vote - urge those voting in the minority, cast their votes for the majority and move that the vote for Chair be unanimous. Wonderful way to start the year by showing unity and support for the Chair.

3. New Business

a. Election of Officers

David D. said the order they will elect officers will be Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

Chair

Lisa M. nominated Kevin D. for Chair, seconded by Dwight W.

Cherie G. nominated David D. for Chair, seconded by David D.

Cherie G. commented on her reasons for nominating David D.

David D. added his comments on his experience and reasons he feels he would make a good chair.

Lisa M. added comments on her reasons for nominating Kevin D.

David D. - all those in favor of Kevin Donlon:

(5) In favor – K. Donlon, L. Mascolo, P. Hennessy, D. Williams A. Mole

David D. - all those in favor of David DeStefano:

(2) In favor – C. Gallagher, D. DeStefano

David D. stated Kevin has received the majority of the vote for Chair.

Kevin D. asked if anyone in the minority vote would like to reconsider the vote.

David D. stated the vote will stand as is. Cherie G. agreed.

David D. asked for a motion to approve the majority vote. So moved by Lisa M., seconded by Paul H.

Vote Passed: (7) In favor – K. Donlon, D. DeStefano, L. Mascolo, P. Hennessy,
D. Williams, A. Mole, L. Mascolo

Kevin Donlon took over the meeting as Chair.

Vice Chair

David D. nominated Cherie Gallagher for Vice Chair.

Kevin D. nominated Dwight Williams for Vice Chair

David D. commented on reasons for nominating Cherie G. as Vice Chair

Kevin D. commented on Dwight W. qualifications.



Cherie G. commented that her vote for David was not against Kevin. Shared that we all have the same overall goals to protect Kiawah and we're going to work together toward those goals. Cherie stated that she'll be a cooperative colleague and expressed her willingness to work together for the common good of Kiawah.

Kevin D. - all those in favor of Cherie Gallagher:

(3) In favor – P. Hennessy, C. Gallagher, D. DeStefano

Kevin D. - all those in favor of Dwight Williams:

(4) In favor – D. Williams, K. Donlon, L. Mascolo, A. Mole

Kevin D. - Dwight W. has received the majority vote and asked for a motion to approve the majority vote. So moved by Paul H., seconded by David D.

Vote Passed: (7) In favor – K. Donlon, D. DeStefano, L. Mascolo, P. Hennessy,
D. Williams, A. Mole, C. Gallagher

Treasurer

Cherie G. nominated Paul Hennessy as Treasurer, seconded by David D.

Lisa M. nominated herself as Treasurer

Cherie G. commented on her nomination of Paul H.

Paul H. commented and expressed support of Lisa M. for the nomination.

Kevin D. - all those in favor of Paul Hennessy:

(2) In favor – C. Gallagher, D. DeStefano

Kevin D. - all those in favor of Lisa Mascolo:

(5) In favor – D. Williams, K. Donlon, L. Mascolo, A. Mole, P. Hennessy

Kevin D. – Lisa M. has received the majority vote and asked for a motion to approve the majority vote. So moved by Paul H., seconded by David D.

Vote Passed: (7) In favor – K. Donlon, D. DeStefano, L. Mascolo, P. Hennessy,
D. Williams, A. Mole, C. Gallagher



Secretary

Kevin D. nominated Paul Hennessy as Secretary, seconded by Dwight W. No other nominations were made.

Kevin D. - all those in favor of Paul Hennessy:

(7) In favor – C. Gallagher, D. DeStefano, D. Williams, K. Donlon, L. Mascolo,
A. Mole, P. Hennessy

Kevin D. – Paul H. has received the unanimous vote and asked for a motion to approve the vote. So moved by David D., seconded by Lisa M.

Vote Passed: (7) In favor – K. Donlon, D. DeStefano, L. Mascolo, P. Hennessy,
D. Williams, A. Mole, C. Gallagher

b. Resolution - Joint ARB Task Force & ARB Transition (VOTE)

Kevin D. proposed minor changes to the resolution that continues the mandate of the Joint ARB Task Force to move forward and continue to work with the Town and Partners on the transition. Changes include:

WHEREAS #2 – remove “all facets” to keep the language broader

Item #2 - Bullet 1: Add ‘and future’

Item #1: Clarify we only appoint KICA members to Joint TF

Kevin D. asked for a motion to approve the resolution. So moved by Paul H., seconded by David D.

David D. commented that the Community really wants KICA to get control. Two ways to do it - negotiate with Partners to transition over a period of time, can't be done overnight. We won't get existing ARB staff, need to create a new ARB with new staff. General Covenant change would be too much. There's been movement so far, but timeline of 3-5 yrs. is too long. Have to figure out how to get it done quicker - no later than the end of 2025.

Vote Passed: (7) In favor – K. Donlon, D. Williams, L. Mascolo, A. Mole,
D. DeStefano, P. Hennessy, C. Gallagher



Comments:

Paul Hennessy said as the new Board Secretary, please ensure Board members complete their Conflict of Interest forms.

Lisa M. said we'll be getting a notice out in the Weekly newsletter soliciting for 3 new members of the Finance Committee. We'd like to get new members seated before the next Finance Committee meeting in April and encourages members to submit their applications.

Kevin D. reminded everyone of the upcoming Mayor and Town Council forums starting at 3 pm here in the Sandcastle.

Adjourn

Kevin D. asked for a motion to adjourn. So moved by Paul H., seconded by Lisa M. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Festa, Executive Assistant

