

MINUTES

MONTHLY RIRA MEETING 4/21/22

President Joyce Brown presided. Meeting was held at Bruno's Restaurant.

Deputy Sheriff Crossley reported on the calls (police visits) to Rumsey Island from Jan. 1 to the present. 82 calls were made. Some streets received none. None of the calls seemed to be of a violent or harmful nature, but were for issues like speeding, well-being checks, etc. Very few were actual crimes. No theft from vehicles were reported. Crossley pointed out that stationary vehicles are subject to citations if they are not moved in 48 hours. The department has an anonymous tip line 888-540-8477. Standard calls for police can be made to 410-838-6600, or text 911. Crime locations can be found on a map at Crimereports.com. Crossley also mentioned that fentanyl overdoses and deaths have dramatically increased with the open southern border, and the legalization of marijuana will bring increased hard drug use.

Director Ralph Comegna is managing the landscape plantings (\$500 budget) at our new entrance marquee as well as tree plantings (also \$500 budget) along Shore Dr. Homeowner participants will be solicited for the tree locations.

As of this date, the treasury has \$7167, less commitments of \$2350, for a projected balance of \$4817.

Future activities include a monthly Photo Contest with changing themes. April's theme is Spring, and monthly prizes of \$20 gift cards will be awarded. Entries are open to all R.I. residents. Scenes can be from the Island and surrounding areas. Send entries to RIRA@rumseyisland.com. On May 4, an outdoor yoga class will be conducted by Lauren Nadler at 500 Anchor Dr. at 6:15. Cost is \$10. Bring your own mat. Paint night will be held at the Marina tent on June 1. Cost is \$45. BYOB and food. More information on these above two events can be found on the R.I. Facebook page and website and Next Door R.I.

FB website will have periodic "Did You Know" articles by VP Suzanne Kozarski informing readers about the various activities RIRA has performed over the years that have benefited all the residents. \$30 annual dues for each household goes a long way, but only a small minority of households have contributed for the betterment of all--- hint, hint.

The Marina will host a Spring Festival Saturday April 23.

The May 19 RIRA meeting will be held at the Marina tent. Free hot dogs, chips and water will be served starting at 6pm. Meeting starts at 7pm.

Election of RIRA officers was held. Tom Lamm is our new President. Suzanne Kozarski continues as Vice President. Anita Sands continues as Treasurer. John Berry continues as Secretary. Thank you, out-going President Joyce Brown, for a job well done. She will continue on the Board of Directors. Thank you prior, President and out-going Board member Walt Smith, for your contribution, as well.

Sue Tyber won \$100 in the 50/50 raffle, showing that it pays to sit at the right table.

Submitted by John Berry