## NORTH SHORE BEACH ASSOCIATION, INC.

## Homeowners Meeting Saturday, July 19, 2008

## **Minutes of Meeting**

The meeting was opened by NSBA President, Dianne Lipps.

Other board members in attendance were Buddy Mayfield (Treasurer).

**Volunteer Fire Department Building** – As everyone in attendance could see we have the building structure in place. Defective Beams were replaced and the shell was put back on along with 4 pedestrian doors and one big roll up door and 9 windows. All this for \$31,000 so far. The building will be spray foamed insulated next week which will cost another \$4,600.

Buddy Mayfield gave a accounting of all funds. Ck \$28,082, CD account, \$2,713, Special Projects account \$16,849. We have \$15,000 in a escrow account that will be in our accounts shortly. We are still under our original 40k request but to continue we need authorization to use more money. A motion was called from the floor, the motion was seconded and vote passed. \$20k has been approve to be used as we need it.

A General Contractor is still necessary to continue work. Joe Harvin is in touch with the new Permits manager for St Tammany and will setup a meeting to see what we need to do next.

We all think with volunteer help we can rebuild the building for about \$100k. If we had someone rebuild this building it could cost anywhere from \$200k to \$535k.

A building committee consisting of Mo Schwandt, Buddy Mayfield, and Mike Over has been established to provide interface and oversight of the restoration project. Mo is also on a committee with other fire departments to get grant dollars as well as what was promised from FEMA.besides what was received from FEMA for the building contents. Eighteen thousand dollars remains from that amount after expenses for the fire pump storage building and debris cleanup. Dick Pearsall has been to an instruction class offered by the state to assist fire departments in locating and writing grant proposals to get additional funds. He asserted that many grants are based on matching funds, but that the matching funds can be volunteer hours by members and tradesmen at very good hourly rates that will qualify. They will continue to try to acquire additional funds towards renovation of the fire house.

The building committee will put together a list of items needed to do the inside of the building and post it on our website. It will be wish list of sorts. If anyone has materials or appliances to donate please call Diane Lips, Mo Schwandt or Buddy Mayfield.

Election of Officers – There was no nominations from the floor for any office. We will go into the next meeting and hope nominations will come from the floor and old or new officers will be elected. Most of the current officers were elected two years ago and that is the normal term of NSBA elected officials. The By-Laws provide for election at the end of the year through nominating committee and election at a general meeting. Joe Harvin recommended that the current board of officers continue for another term to provide continuity through the current restoration project at the fire house.

**Dues** – Dues for the year are \$75 to be paid in July and will be prorated for partial year. Dues will again be payable in March of 2009 to put us back on track with the By-Laws.

**By-Laws** – The most current approved By-Laws appears to be from 1987. The Board will look at what updates have been submitted in the past and present an updated By-Laws document at the next general meeting.

Insurance – Buddy Mayfield reports that the building insurance is still being worked but is very complicated and will be getting quotes shortly. Will gets quotes from a second company also.

**Fundraisers** – Dianne Lipps said that we need homeowners to offer suggestions for fund raisers to help build the treasury again. A barbecue looks real good for Sept. Oct. to hopefully raise some monies. More Information will be forth coming.

**Local Problems** – There are regular Parish Council Meetings that citizens can attend, plus contacting Richie Artigue to keep pressure on them for Sheriff patrols and cleanup. Continue to call the Parish offices to complain of debris and neglected properties or strange people or automobiles in the area.

**Homeowners Meetings** – Next meeting will be scheduled in approximately two months.

Meeting was adjourned.