

Membership of Waterside at Coquina Key South;

First, I would like to personally thank you for electing me to your Board of Directors. I also would like to take this time to apologize for the issues that occurred during last Thursday evening's meeting. We were having several technical difficulties while conducting the meeting, which were stressful as I am unfamiliar with Zoom. The Board was unaware at the time but has since been advised, that after I thanked everyone and ended the meeting some of the membership were still active on Zoom, and the link had not closed. I would like to assure each of you that I did not prematurely end the Annual Meeting.

I also want to assure everyone that the voting and handling of the ballots were conducted in a manner that followed Florida Statutes. The Board, nor management, had any prior knowledge of whom was to be elected. We all learned the results at the same time. As per Florida Statutes, board members are unpaid owners, in a volunteer position, elected by the community's owners. The Board then elects its officers by nomination and voting of the directors. We donate our time and efforts for the betterment of our community.

Waterside is facing two big challenges currently, balconies and landscaping. Now that the election is over, we need to continue moving forward on both concerns. The Board would like to set up two different committees, one to assist with the landscaping, and the other to assist with the balconies. Please email me (rparadinewaterside@gmail.com) your names and qualifications, letting me know which committee you would like to be on. The Board is looking for no more than five individuals for each committee.

I understand that owners are looking for a time frame for when the balcony work will be completed. Until we receive solid information from our engineer it would be premature to give any time frames at this point. In the next steps, the association will be receiving the Site Survey from Consult Engineering during the week of June 8th. The Balcony Committee will need to review the survey and give its recommendations to the Board. Consult Engineering will then gather 3 to 4 bids from various construction companies to do the repairs on the balconies. Following that, permits will need to be pulled through the City of St. Pete. I believe it is in our best interest to fix our balconies as quickly as possible due to the life/safety concern, and will act accordingly.

Lastly, I want to thank everyone for your continued support and patience during this unprecedented time in our world. I know that together, as a community, we will come out of this stronger and better.

Randy Paradine – Your Board President