

PALM BEACH CIVIC ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
April 17, 2023
10:00 am

Minutes

The Annual Meeting of the general members of the Palm Beach Civic Association was held at the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum on April 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Notice of the Annual Meeting and proxies were mailed to the general members of the Civic Association by April 1, 2023. There being a sufficient number of proxies returned, a quorum was met.

President, Mary Robosson gave opening remarks. Mary paid tribute to outgoing Chairman Bob Wright and welcomed new Chairman Michael Pucillo.

Mary also recognized all the Town elected officials, Palm Beach Mayor Danielle Moore, Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss, Town Council President Margaret Zeidman, Town Council Pro Tempore Bobbie Lindsay, and Town Manager Kirk Blouin.

President Mary Robosson thanked all the Civic Association officers, directors, committees, and members for serving the Civic Association so proudly. Mary also thanked Town Council members and all town officials for their support. Mary also thanked Linda Olsson as our favor sponsor and The Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation for sponsoring our Annual Meeting.

Civic Association Chairman and CEO, Michael Pucillo, provided welcome remarks and called the meeting to order.

Chairman Pucillo thanked outgoing Chairman Bob Wright for his 13 years of leadership of the Civic Association and his long history of outstanding service and involvement in civic matters in the town.

Michael Pucillo also thanked one of our directors, Robert Nederlander, for his most generous year-end gift of \$100,000 to the Civic Association.

Mr. Nederlander has been a longtime Civic Association director, since 2003, and a member of our Executive Committee since 2012.

Michael Pucillo introduced our Sponsor Palm Beach Island Hospice.

Mark Cook, Board President of Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation, provided his remarks.

Mary Robosson recognized Linda Olsson, a Civic Association director, and a member of our Executive Committee, for acting as collateral materials underwriter for today's Annual Meeting.

Michael Ainslie, Treasurer, reported that, that the Civic Association will finish our fiscal year in the black. In addition, we will surpass our annual goal of \$1.954 million with a modest surplus of approximately \$150,000.

He also stated that the Rumbough Endowment Fund, standing at \$1.4 million, is strong and growing. He encouraged everyone to continue supporting the great job the Civic Association does.

Michael thanked everyone for their annual support, year after year, and thanked all of those who are thinking of leaving a deferred gift of bequest to the Civic Association by calling Mary Robosson.

Chairman Michael Pucillo reported that we have a sufficient number of proxies submitted to constitute a quorum for the conducting of business. The meeting minutes for the 2022 Annual Meeting have been approved.

Michael Pucillo also introduced Civic Association's 11 new candidates for director of the Civic Association. This year's director nominees are Melissa Ceriale, Christopher Flowers, Jill Glazer, Peter Gottsegen, Leonard Harlan, Reuben Jeffrey III, Michael Kluger, Tom Quick, Tad Smith, Daniel Stanton, and Fran Terwilliger. A brief bio of each one was shared with all the Directors.

Chairman Pucillo announced that the Palm Beach Civic Association Bylaws change has been mailed with the proxy to all members. The sole purpose of this amendment is to stagger the terms of the Executive Committee.

Rather than having each member of the Executive Committee up for election each year, this will result in, going forward, a third of the Executive Committee up for election each year.

These are not term limits. They are staggered terms.

Michael reported that the amendment has been approved by the vote of the membership.

Michael Pucillo introduced our Raymond J. Kunkel Award Committee members Cathy Flagg and Michael Reiter, who is also a Civic Association Director. Michael and Cathy will present this year's Kunkel Awards.

Michael and Cathy announced this year's Kunkel Awards recipients were Palm Beach Police Detective Sergeant Craig Newby, who is being recognized for an act of lifesaving heroism and Diane Buhler, president, and founder of Friends of Palm Beach Public for the great work she has done, day after day, to keep our beaches beautiful, and for her fierce dedication to protecting our natural environment.

Mr. Pucillo introduced The Honorable Danielle Moore, Mayor for the Town of Palm Beach. The mayor presented the State of The Town Address with a video.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 am.