

**GULF GATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

April 15, 2025

St. Andrew Church
Sarasota, FL 34238

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 PM

Quorum Established: Bylaws: 5% of paid members 236 = 12

GGCA Board of Directors:

Present: Forest Balderson (P), Boni Loudon (VP), Andrew Gamble (S), David Hauser (T), Kevin Emmett (D), Ron Turner (D), Dana Luksic (D)

Absent: Kathy Butler (D), Katie Fogarty (D)

Guest Speaker: Steve Suau, Civil Engineer – Specialty watershed management planning. Mr. Suau helped design the stormwater system that was basis of the Celery Fields.

Topic: Stormwater Infrastructure in Gulf Gate and Sarasota County
Community Q&A: Golf Course, Stormwater drainage; Storm Damage.

Officer's Reports

Approval of Board Minutes: Board meeting minutes for the January 23, 2025 Annual Membership Meeting unanimously approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Report presented by David Hauser. Loudon made a motion to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business

Short Term Rentals: Loudon reported that Kevin Burns from Sarasota County Code Enforcement is putting notices on houses that are in violation of the county short term rental regulations. GGCA is helping county work with AirBnb & VRBO to stop allowing rentals in Gulf Gate zip codes.

General Meeting Venue: Balderson reported that 2025 General Membership meetings will be held at the St. Andrew Church in Stewart Hall on the 3rd Tuesday of September and November.

New Business

Membership Drive: Hauser reported GGCA has 195 paid memberships in 2025, a drop from 2024, but an increase from 2023. Hauser made a motion to ratify a second membership drive mailing. Passed unanimously

Committee Reports

Golf Course: Balderson reported on taking two Sarasota County Commissioners on tours of the old golf course. Discussion on using clean-up of contaminates, such as arsenic, as a basis for negotiations on a county purchase of the property. Balderson also reminded residents of the ongoing Resilient SRQ grant recommendations and open comment period.

Deed Restrictions: Loudon reported there are currently 6 members on the Deed Restrictions committee and that they are always looking for more volunteers. There have been 89 issues addresses since January 2025. Most of the issues involved trash cans visible in driveways. Currently, GGCA has fewer deed restriction issues compared to the last two years.

Other Comments:

Open Discussion:

- Residents ask about the sealant sprayed on roads. Balderson explained it was to make roads last longer between scheduled road resurfacings.
- Questions about parking on county easement. Emmett advised residents to call county code enforcement.
- Resident asked about deed restriction process for neighbors have chickens. Emmett explained how notices are sent out in deed restriction process.
- Resident asked about traffic committee. Balderson explained that GGCA no longer has enough volunteers to maintain that committee.

Next Board Meeting: Next remaining 2025 General Meeting dates will be held at St Andrew's UCC in Stewart Hall on September 16th and November 18th at 6:00pm.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:11pm.

Respectfully submitted Sunday, September 14, 2025
Andrew Gamble, Secretary