

LAST STAND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. A virtual meeting was conducted on the Zoom platform and a quorum of members was present.

After a quick review of the Annual Meeting minutes from January 30, 2020, by Secretary Joyce Newman, those minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer Mark Songer gave a concise overview of the operating results for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. The full financial report is posted on the website www.keyslaststand.org.

Dottie Moses presented an award to Ron Miller in recognition of eight years' service on the Monroe County Planning Commission and a long history of promoting the quality of life in the Florida Keys.

President D.A. Aldridge opened the nomination process for board members and alternates. After hearing no nominations from the floor, the slate to elect Mark Songer, Don DeMaria, DeeDee Henriquez, and Ann Helmers as board members, with terms expiring in 2024, and Denise Werling as Alternate Board Member, with a term expiring at the annual meeting in 2022, was approved by unanimous consent.

During the President's Report, D.A. Aldridge highlighted major issues and activities of the prior year, including water quality issues, the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary management plan, outreach to Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, and the continuing challenges to safe hurricane evacuation by overdevelopment.

The featured speaker was Dr. Rachel Silverstein, Executive Director of Miami Waterkeeper, who presented information how local regulation of commercial and residential fertilizer application can improve nearshore water quality.

Several prizes were awarded to attendees, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Newman, Secretary