

**The Savoy on Palm Condominium Association, Inc.**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

July 9, 2025

**Call to Order:**

The Savoy on Palm Board of Directors Meeting was held on July 9, 2025 on the Third Floor of The Savoy on Palm Condominium at 401 South Palm Ave, Sarasota, Florida 34236. The meeting was called to order by Richard Rivera at 1:05 p.m.

**Determination of a Quorum:**

Board Members present were Richard Rivera, Jim Heskett, Bruce Blackmore, Brenda Griffiths, and Abby Esformes. It was confirmed that proper proof of notice of the meeting had been conveyed.

**Facilities Committee Report:**

Brenda Griffiths updated the Board and owners in attendance on items that had been completed by the committee since she was unable to attend the April Board meeting.

- The committee has discussed and asked Bill Veal to send out notices in the event of a hurricane regarding parking on the second floor.
- Trees have been trimmed in advance of hurricane season.
- Portable flood barriers for the four elevators have been purchased
- The very large wine glasses in the catering kitchen have been replaced
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**Old Business:**

- Adagio Update –
  - o Mr. Rivera reminded the Board and owners in attendance that some time ago the Board approved an expenditure to retain legal counsel. He and Brenda Griffiths met with Morgan Bentley but have not yet engaged his services. Mr. Bentley suggested that the Board first engage a land use/planning consultant.
  - o Mr. Rivera spoke on the phone with Brian Lichterman who worked for Sarasota County for twenty plus years and has many current and past projects in the city of Sarasota. Mr. Rivera would like to get approval to hire a land use/planning consultant.

**MOTION** (Jim Heskett) – To approve an expense not to exceed \$5,000 to engage a land use/planning consultant regarding the development of the neighboring property directly to the north side of The Savoy on Palm. Motion seconded by Bruce Blackmore; the motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:** None at this time.

**Owner Comments:**

There was a lot of discussion and to summarize, a committee was established consisting of Brenda Griffiths, Edgar Snyder, Ron Shapo, Allen Klein, Lew Winarsky, and Richard Reston. The committee will meet and advise the Board on ways to proceed based on advice from legal counsel and a land planning consultant. Brenda Griffiths hopes to get the committee together within the next week and make a list of items that concern the owners of the building and present this list to the attorney for advice.

There was also discussion regarding funding. No final decision was made at this time regarding funding.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.