MCA BOARD MINUTES 11/17/25

Meeting started at 9:01 am

Board Members present: Carol, Tammey, Kathleen, Terry, Mike, Kelly, Bonnie.

Treasurer report read by Kathleen, motion to approve by Tammey, 2nd by Kelly.

Treasurer report: Nov 16, 2025- Opening $7851.31 + deposits $326.95 Expenses: $646.32
Savings $23,070.93 @ 4%, CD $30,392.26 @ 4.11%/3 months Total: $60,995.21

OLD:

Committees: TY Bonnie/Membership Drive, TY Kathleen for FB posts & Updates. Tree lighting update given, Start Gala 2026 planning- reaching larger corporations, location Leoma's & 100 yr flags discussed.
Castaway Cove: Steve Salano & Mike Amato plans for rezoning, restaurant & parking. Rezoning & trolly turn around

See Something Say Something: Iguana shooter

LCBC: The passing of Mike Greenwell.

Safety & Clean UP: 4689 Pine Island Rd-Kathleen & Carol. 4530 Pine Island Rd, Fish House- Kathleen & Mike, 4151 Pine Island Rd-Conservancy of SWFL- Carol & Mike S

Mike H: HPB update

Parks & Rec: Electric, sprinklers, plumbing complete

FIBER Team: FIBER Oct 21 was the final. Parking Urban Strategy, phase 2 given to the public.

Mangrove Clean Up: Carol contacted FLDEP. Lumis: no update

Halloween: 10/31 was a big success and MPIFD came to Matlacha. (A TY note sent from the MCA)

Food Drive: Oct & Nov for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Island Lights: Luminaries: Billie spoke about only lighting up Island Ave. **The Forest:** Flyers, GW approved the lot, Need Barnhill's approval for electric. Need a Santa. Bakers/Billie, the band Captain Jam will perform for $200, 2 guys from 6-8 pm. Street Wreaths.

The Xmas Village: Need Mr. Ono to approve the lot. Permits, Insurance and décor ideas needed. Captain Jam to perform 6-8pm for $350. Need Santa and raffle items.

Old Minutes motion to approve by Tammey, 2nd by Kathleen

NEW:

Committees: Bonnie, Membership, Events as below. Safety & clean up as below.

Thank You: Lee county for demo of 3 buildings on Matlacha

Island Angel Award: Larry & Linda Solinger for all their support. Welcome **new owner of Matlacha Menagerie-** Joe Perry. Also invite Joe Perry to the MCA Member meeting on Dec 1, 2025

Food Drive: Oct, we presented 91 lbs of food at the PI Food Pantry. November food drive continues, please continue to post on FB & email blasts.

Matlacha: 100 Years old this upcoming year (2026)

Dine Wickes Art: Bonnie will make a shirt with one of her original prints. Will also look at selling her prints we have at our upcoming events.

PI Red Fish Megan Sorby: planting was announced Fri Nov 14 for the Nov 15 event this was obviously to short of notice for MCA to send out. Asked her if she would notify us further in advance.

New Company: There is mention of a new company coming to Pine Island to help with making PI an aquatic agricultural area. More to come as we hear.

MCA Booth at Art Walk: This past art walk WGCU/PBS was there, and they are making a mini-FL series to air Nov 21, 2025. Suggestion to have an MCA table to encourage new members to join MCA. Bonnie has hats she made Hooked On Matlacha and was thinking of taking either $1 or a donation to give to the Arts Program in Matlacha.

4S's: Theft on Matlacha. The suspected accused has been identified, Samantha Rosocke Brady. The post office, Island Flair and Ono's businesses were hit. Jennifer was given a box of all the stolen items from a random person.

Safety & Clean Up: PI Rd: Kathleen & Carol. 4530 PI Rd Fish House, Kathleen & Mike- no real answers on sale or clean up. Carol & Kathleen will contact Diaz to clean up Fish House. 4151 PI Rd-Conservancy, Carol and Mike S. Conservancy is reaching out to use a dumpster for cleanup. **HPB** has an accelerated process: Kathleen will bring this up at the HPB meeting for Island Pho and Old Fish House. This is 2-35 day notices that per the HPB bylaws can be given to property owners for clean up process. The HPB attorney Amanda needs to understand this, Kathleen will work on this. HPB has the right to change the status of the property from Contributing and Non-Contributing, if the owner asks. Contributing is if the land was designated historic in 1990, not the building. Mike gave update.
HPB: Kathleen will ask HPB to have a dec meeting at there are still items to be discussed. They only hold meetings when an application is to be addressed.
Lee County Commissioners Meeting: Being held Tues Nov 18 at 9:30 am, Kathleen, Carol, Bonnie and Kelly will attend and speak on behalf of the MCA.
GPIA: Erin Lambert- Funds for residence have come through for immediate assistance. You can go the GPIA website, "Get Help" if you or someone you know still needs help with hurricane cleanup.
New Restaurant: Soloman BBQ- Will be open on Saturdays only and will work on opening up Thurs-Sunday. Terry, Kelly & Carol will paint a mural on the front of the building.
Elections 2026: Judd has asked to be taken on the MCA Board due to being too busy. Tammey has asked not to renew her MCA secretary position but will stay on the Board. According to the MCA Bylaws the 5 officer positions cannot be more than 3 consecutive years. We can have up to 13 board members including the officer's positions. Nominations will be made at the Dec Meeting. Stephen will be the lead role on the nominating committee consisting of himself, Bonnie & Terry. There are a husband and wife that may be asked to join the MCA and possibly be on the Board, Kathy & Kiren.
Next Board Meeting: to add that any business in Matlacha does not need "approval" from FPICA and vice versa.
FIBER: The final Matlacha parking & urban strategy phase 1 was presented to the LCHPB. Mike spoke about the living sea walls and Kathleen mentioned the HPB old Bylaws. Mike & Kathleen to update Collaboratory. Thank you letter from the MCA sent to the CEO and response was given. HPB Directors of FU: Mike to contact. MCA reaching out to Dave Harner, Mark More and Micky R to help us talk to the county about FIBER.
Lee Co: Carol working to get workshop appointment. Thank you sent for the clean & demo in November.
Luminaries: It is confirmed that we will be lighting several streets off Island Ave.
XMAS Forest: 21 trees sold, 1 returned. Mr. Chavez approved power source. Kathleen, Terry and Dave made a Nativity, Santa will be coming from the American Legion, Preston Balmain. He runs a non profit homeless shelter in North Ft Myers and the MCA Board approved to donate $150 to his shelter. Board approved cancelling Captain Jam due to cost of $350 and will have Holiday music playing instead.

European Market will be held by Mr. Ono on Dec 20th from 3-7pm on his property next to The Blue Dog Bar and Grill. Mr. Ono will get permits and carry the insurance. This takes responsibility from the MCA. The MCA will hold a 50/50 raffle, make flyers & post online.
MCA Receipts: given to Kathleen $560 received to date not including $150, Tiny Village and Yucatan. Trees & Bows: $344, stakes $30, extension cords-TBA. Nativity set- Kelly & Terry, Dave will build a stable.
Island Construction and Improvements: LUMIS/ wire clean up: no information as of now
Guest Speaker for General Meeting: Steve Cox, LCPR, Steve Honc, PI Food Pantry
Art Walk: Suggestion to move hours to 3-7 for safety purposes.
Leoma's Gallery: will be open Thurs-Sun.
MCA Gala: Leoma's Garden was offered to the MCA for our annual Gala. A suggestion was made to donate either a percent or an amount to a local charity.

Motion to adjourn Meeting at 11:17 am by Bonnie, 2nd by Carol.