

**SANDESTIN OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Safety & Security Committee Meeting Notes**  
**August 9, 2022**

**Members Present:** Ken Lloyd, Chairman, Connie Yarbrow, Dianne Zierhoffer, Rick Davis, Kohanna Miller  
**Others Present:** Tom Cooper, Executive Director, Jimmy Willis, Director of Security, Shelia Cook, Executive Assistant

**June Meeting Notes** - Notes were reviewed and approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**RRFB Cross Walk Signs**

Jimmy Willis reviewed the proposed locations for the crosswalk signs, which includes Sandestin Blvd S, the Welcome Center, St Andrews, Deerwood, and Audubon Drive. The signs are expected to be delivered by end of this week.

**Noise Ordinance**

Jimmy Willis presented the revised SOA Noise Ordinance draft, discussing changes and terminology, noting that noise is determined by reasonable and ordinary sensibility. Ken Lloyd advised that the SOA ordinance is modeled after the Walton County ordinance. Mr. Willis advised that he will send the revised draft to the committee members for review. <ACTION>

**East Gate Reconfiguration**

Tom Cooper advised that discussion of the East Gate reconfiguration will continue Aug 15-17. Keith Howard, Howard Group, is interested in partnering with the SOA to complete the project. Mr. Cooper explained that when Hwy. 98 is under construction, the DOT controls the timing of the street lights and when there is no construction, the county controls the lights. An update will be provided to the committee after the August 15-17 meetings. <ACTION>

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Golf Carts Discussion**

Jimmy Willis advised that there were 2,990 actively registered golf carts as of May of 2021, 2,275 actively registered year-to-date, 225 not currently renewed, and 2,500 total for 2022. Ken Lloyd asked if the SOA could provide the number of rentals and who has two carts registered. Mr. Willis advised that it is not possible to identify which carts are associated with a rental property but how many per unit are registered. <ACTION>

A discussion ensued about towing disabled carts. Mr. Willis explained that towing procedures must meet Florida Statute requirements which includes 24-hour access to any vehicle towed. The only option for Sandestin, that meets this requirement, is Autoworks in Destin. If Autoworks is used, the owner would pay towing and storage fees. Tom Cooper and Ken Lloyd both noted that the Golf Cart Rules will need to be revised, once towing procedures are established.

The committee members agreed that the current policy verbiage must be clarified to better define an “extended amount of time. Mr. Lloyd recommends changing “extending amount of time” to “24 hours” and there should be a maximum number of carts permitted to be registered. Once the Committee makes the proposed revisions, the recommendation to approve the changes would go to the Board. <ACTION>

**Baytowne Avenue Parking**

Jimmy Willis advised that the caution tape has been replaced with ropes to prevent unauthorized parking. More decorative options or signage is being researched as a permanent solution.

### **Deerwood Speed Bump**

Jimmy Willis advised that homeowner at 1236 Deerwood expressed concerns regarding speeding in Deerwood and requested a speed bump be installed. The committee considered the request and noted that a letter, from the CAM, identifying the locations, acknowledging that the purchase and installation costs are the responsibility of the HOA, and that the speed bump(s) meet the SOA's acceptable design. The recommendation would then go the SOA Board for approval.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Jimmy Willis reviewed the July 2022 Chief's Report.

### **NEXT MEETING**

September 8, 2022, 1:30 p.m.