



OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Meeting: LOCATION: Okaloosa Island Fire Station, 2nd Floor Meeting Room **TIME:** 7:00 p.m. **DATE:** Monday, **OCTOBER 13, 2014.**
PARKING: Please park behind the Fire Station next to the water tank

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**TO RENEW
YOUR OILA
MEMBERSHIP
FOR
2014-2015!**

**ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR
MEMBERSHIP?
IF YES, CONTACT JIM SIMPSON
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The OIL Lantern



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Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, **October 13, 2014**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Okaloosa Island
Fire Station, 2nd Floor
Meeting Room

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you speak, please state your name, address and if you are a member.

IV. MINUTES

September 9, 2014
Meeting Minutes (Draft)

V. TREASURER'S REPORT - Treasurer, **Jim Simpson**

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Architectural
Committee: (see
Newsletter)

C. Membership Liaison:
Jim Simpson

D. WebSite: **Bob Seitz**

E. Boat Basin: **Cathy
Taylor**

F. Street Lighting MSBU:
Maryl Bednar

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Tripp Tolbert

We're heading into a beautiful time of year here on the Island. The crisp fall coolness and warm sunny days make it a pleasure to live and work on the Emerald Coast! We continue to keep our ears to the ground and eye on the ball to developments being planned for the Island.

We had a strategic planning meeting last month to discuss a myriad of issues of interest to us all. We agreed it would be advantageous to form a Bridge Committee composed of members to keep us up-to-date on the numerous discussions relating to the Brooks Bridge project and study. Please let us know at the next meeting if any of you are interested in participating in this committee. I met just this past week with a national engineering firm who is going to be bidding on this project. They shared their vision and were very interested in OILA's input at this stage. I was impressed with their expertise.

Another project discussed during our meeting was upgrading and additional bike trails on the Island. I would like to thank Dave Hancock on our board who through his tenaciousness found a state official who may be able to assist us in the planning and implementation of bike paths along Santa Rosa Blvd. He discovered an agency, Path and Greenways for North Florida, which is responsible for this type of improvements to local communities. We hope to be able to submit a plan and get their help of what we would like to see.

The directors also discussed a possible design for access to the Sound across from Area Six which will be undergoing sidewalk repairs in the near future. If you have any input on this type of facility please let us know!

Congratulations to Vince Bruner in obtaining his approval for the Okaloosa National miniature golf course scheduled for grand opening next spring as well as the Grand Opening of his new hotel, the Fairfield Inn & Suites this past Thursday! What a great addition to the beach.

We welcome all our guests participating in the Emerald Coast Fall Volleyball Tournament this weekend. These folks bring great business and entertainment to the Island.

Don't forget our monthly meeting October 13th and to vote next month, November 4th!

Sincerely,

Tripp Tolbert



ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014 for permits and applications submitted to them for consideration. The following information provided by the Architectural Committee.
SPECIAL NOTICES: 1) The Committee meets every Thursday from 9:00 am to 9:30 am at the Tourist Development Center building. 2) ASK BEFORE YOU ACT.

Date Block Lot(s) Address Owner/Contractor Description Recommendation

There was no reportable activity brought before the Architectural Committee for the month of Sept 2014.

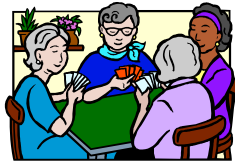


Okaloosa Island Firefighter Engineer and Paramedic **Gregory Lloyd** has been awarded *Lifeguard of the Year* for 2014 by the Okaloosa County Beach Service. Greg has been working for the beach service since ----. and serves as the liaison between the 2 agencies where he is an integral part of the Okaloosa Island Fire water rescue training program. We thank Greg for his service and dedication to the visitors and residents of Okaloosa Island in each of these capacities. Congratulations Greg.

WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN...

By Jill Higgins

- ... having fun and getting to know more neighbors?
- ... joining a neighborhood group?



There is great garden club on the island, and we would love to add more. Possibilities could include (but are not limited to) a walking group, running group, games (BUNCO, LCR, etc), fishing, paddle boarding, kayaking, craft beer, book club, supper club, card games, and more. If you are interested in joining a group or leading a group of some kind please email jill@jillhiggins.com.



ISLAND FIRE DEPT TO FLOW TEST FIRE HYDRANTS IN OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

Just a heads up to let you know that you might see crews during the months of October and November doing this important work. These crews may be in the front yards doing these tests and they will do their best to not damage flower beds etc... around the hydrants, however this test flows a lot of water.

ISLAND RAINFALL FOR SEPT 2014: 2.9 INCHES!

Sept 9.... **0.1** inches
 Sept 13...**1.3** inches
 Sept 16...**0.6** inches
 Sept 22...**0.6** inches
 Sept 28...**0.1** inches
 Sept 29...**0.2** inches



Sept Avg Rainfall.....**7.2** inches
 Sept Record High.....**102° F** (1954)
 Sept Record Low**37° F** (1967)
 Sept Avg Water Temperature...**85° F**

Oct Avg Rainfall.....**4.3** inches
 Oct Record High..... **99° F** (1954)
 Oct Record Low **27° F** (1989)
 Oct Avg Water Temperature...**81° F**

YTD Variance to Avg..+ **19.4** inches
 Rainfall Year-to-Date.... **72.7** inches
 Avg Annual Rainfall**65.1** inches

OKALOOSA ISLAND FIRE DISTRICT RECORDED 105 CALLS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

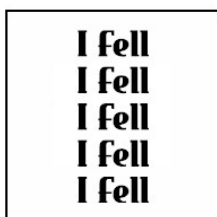
Fire Calls..... **1**
 Misc.....**30**
 Alarm Activations.....**15**
 EMS,Rescue/MVA...**59**



“QUINTUPLE” WUZZLE PUZZLES FOR THE 10th TIME!

What is a Wuzzle Puzzle? It is a puzzle consisting of combinations of words, letters, figures, or symbols positioned to create disguised words, phrases, names, places, etc. Are you ready to take the challenge and figure out the “disguised” meaning of these wuzzles? Good luck. The answers are at the bottom of the last page.

Wuzzle No. 1



Wuzzle No. 2



Wuzzle No. 3



Wuzzle No. 4



Wuzzle No. 5



**JOIN THE LEASEHOLDERS! LET
YOUR OPINIONS BE HEARD!**

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**NOTE TO OILA MEMBERS FROM [LINDA VOGEL](#),
PRESIDENT, ISLAND GARDEN CLUB**



The Okaloosa Island Garden Club is once again up and going and we have many new programs planned for this season. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at the El Matador condo. Social is 9:45 a.m.;

Call-to-order is 10:00 a.m.

We welcome new members and visitors. Please consider attending a meeting and discovering the fun we all have! Thank you and we look forward to seeing some new faces!

Linda Vogel - 850-244-1852



CHIEF ROBERT TILLEY CELEBRATES 25 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE OKALOOSA ISLAND FIRE DISTRICT

August 26, 1989 – 2014

The men and women of the OIFD would like to thank Chief Tilley for his dedication to the department. Chief is a great example of what hard work and dedication mean. He is a mentor and friend to those willing to follow that example. He works tirelessly for the department, and never places himself first over anything or anyone. Chief has navigated the department through some trying times that would break most men, but his “can do” spirit and endless dedication to the mission is unequalled and admirable. We would like to thank Chief Robert Tilley as our leader and congratulate him as our friend.

OKALOOSA ISLAND LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION MINUTES (DRAFT)

BOARD MEETING: September 9, 2014

LOCATION: Okaloosa Island Fire Station Meeting Room **CALL TO ORDER:** meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Tripp Tolbert. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. 20 members attended. Attachment 1 - attendance sheet.

ROLL: Board members present were Tripp Tolbert, Kathy Foster, Desley Parker, Jill Higgins, David Hancock, Jim Hendricks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Tripp Tolbert welcomed his new board and all those present.

MINUTES: Minutes as printed in the OIL Lantern from the June meeting were approved. Attachment

TREASURERS REPORT: Jim Simpson gave the report as follows.

Association Discretionary Fund Balance	\$ 31,351.73
Beautification Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,421.28</u>
Total Funds Available	\$ 32,702.27

This is summary only, total report located at Attachment 3. Mr. Simpson also requested reimbursement for postage for 2 OIL Lanterns in Summer 2014 and September 2014 for a total expense of \$41.16. Motion was made Kathy Foster and 2nd by Desley Parker. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: We currently have 251 members. New member Lynn Dominique was introduced by Jim Simpson. This is renewal month. Please get your renewals in as soon as possible.

WEBSITE: Bob Seitz reported there has been an update with new board pictures. Additionally, there are articles on the Brooks Bridge issue and the miniature golf course approved by the county commission

