



# The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

May 2010



<http://www.herronisland.org>

## President's Message

At the special membership meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>, the membership voted on three issues. The members agreed overwhelmingly that we need to move forward and upgrade our water system. On a much tighter margin, the members agreed to spend money from the water reserves to get professional help on completing necessary material to apply for a USDA loan (with an estimated interest rate of 3.25% and 40 year term). This loan would be highly desirable if, on a subsequent vote, the members decide to retain ownership and contract for the water system upgrade. It would mean that members would not have to put any money up front just as in the case of the transfer ownership option. The third issue was changing our amended articles of incorporation to specifically state the responsibilities of HMC Management as they were listed in the original articles of incorporation. This measure was necessary for the USDA to determine that HMC was chartered to run a water system as well as other functions on Herron Island. It does not change any responsibilities or duties of HMC but does add specific language. With the passage of these activities, the water project must move forward and detail the options available so the members can have factual information on which to base their choice on how to proceed. There will be more community meetings and information forthcoming soon.

In the past, HMC has put a deadline of the regular May Board meeting for nominations for board of directors (to be voted on at the Annual Membership Meeting in June). This year only two members (both currently on the board) turned in nomination forms for the three positions starting in June. We consulted with our Island attorney on what should be the process to fill the three positions and conform to our by-laws. His suggestion that to be in compliance with the by-laws, the Board needs to create a slate of candidates and submit them to the membership for a vote at the Annual Membership

Meeting in June. A third candidate offered to run after the meeting so to get three candidates the Board accepted his nomination. Our attorney did suggest that we could use a proxy document rather than the normal ballot but the Board felt this would lead to confusion and it has the same effect as the ballots we have been using. Ballots will be mailed out so members that cannot attend the Annual Membership Meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM following the regular HMC Board meeting can still vote. Members can vote at the meeting and ballots returned by mail must arrive before the meeting. As usual, write in candidates are allowed so it is important for everyone to vote so that the best candidates get elected.

At the regular May HMC Board Meeting, we discussed that a preliminary budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 will be put into the May Beachcomber. This will allow for members to formulate questions, concerns, and comments when the final budget proposal is made at the Annual Membership Meeting in June. There may be changes, if necessary, to this preliminary budget before the final proposal in June. A ballot will be mailed out in June to be counted at an extension of the Annual Meeting in July to approve the budget, fee schedule, and resulting assessment. The preliminary budget would result in an increase of the annual assessment from \$1500 to \$1620 primarily due to increases in the ferry and water budgets. Last year we did not make a \$45,000 contribution to the ferry shipyard reserves because we had sufficient funds in the account. This year there needs to be a \$45,000 contribution to cover the estimated cost of the shipyard expense of \$90,000 (combined with a \$45,000 withdrawal from reserves). The water budget increased due to the need to replace volunteer Mike Davis as the certified water system manager and an increase of contributions to the water system reserves according to our water system plan approved by the state. Until we make a choice on what the future of our water system is to be, we need to follow our plan and meet state requirements for operating a small water system. The ferry fees are also proposed to increase (starting in October) from \$7 for a member

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Mike Shettlesworth, Transportation Chair (253) 884-6919

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Dick Mowry, Water Field Examiner (253) 884-7663

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**Herron Island Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The office is CLOSED Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, and after 2:00 PM on Fridays before board meetings.**

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**Emergency 911**

**Ferry Cell phone (253) 691-1457**

*(Cell phone to be used for scheduling heavy loads, big vehicles or having something in tow, and for information regarding ferry services.)*

**Delinquency List as of May 13, 2010**

FURGASON - KENNISON - KREBS - MARCINKO - TCHOCHIEV

**Ferry Business**

- **Call ahead if you are planning to use the ferry for a trailer, boat, or large vehicle!**
- **Only those guests with valid passes will be allowed on the ferry.**
- **Plan your arrival at the dock at least 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure.**
- **Walks-ons are not to be on the dock or ramp when cars are being loaded. Watch crew for permission to board.**
- **Only service and delivery people may charge fares.**

**WE HAVE EXPERIENCED GUESTS AND SERVICE PEOPLE EXPECTING TO COME OVER TO THE ISLAND WITHOUT GUEST PASSES. THIS VIOLATES THE ACCESS POLICY THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE FOR ALL OF OUR SECURITY. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR GUEST HAS A VALID GUEST PASS SIGNED BY YOU TO ENSURE THEY ARE ABLE TO RIDE THE FERRY. BLANK GUEST PASSES ARE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT THE OFFICE, BY MAIL, AND ON THE FERRY.**

Beachcomber news items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday after the monthly Board meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Items MUST be emailed in electronic format to [beachcomber@herronisland.org](mailto:beachcomber@herronisland.org). Include your name and phone number in case any questions arise. Paid advertisements are to be arranged with the HMC office PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.

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car and driver to \$8. Guest car and driver would go from \$14 to \$16. Walk-ons would go from \$2 to \$3. All the rest of the ferry rates like tickets and long vehicles will increase proportionately. We try to keep the total fee collections between 30% and 40% of the total ferry cost. Finally, some members requested that we add the current year-to-date expenditures to the budget. In order to keep the Beachcomber to a reasonable size, we will publish the budget and YTD revenues and expenditures on the Herron Island Web site for those who wish to see this information.

Lastly, as we consider budgets, it is good to recognize the many volunteers and committees that reduce the costs that make up our assessments. It is also important to realize that rules like speed limits keep our gravel roads from being torn up and requiring more maintenance. So tell our many volunteers that you appreciate their efforts and follow the rules established to protect our Island assets. Make sure your guests know and follow the rules.

Fred Fath  
President

### Board Member Email Addresses

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HMCMarkAnderson@herronisland.org

Please use these email addresses for all future communications to board members. They can be accessed on our website (herronisland.org) under the HMC Board tab.

### Tansy Removal

Reminder: Once again the Tansy Ragwort season is upon us. The Pierce County Noxious Weed Control Board will begin making routine inspections at the island beginning the last week of May. If you have any questions concerning Tansy Ragwort, control methods, or compliance with the Noxious Weed Board Laws, please feel free to contact the Pierce County Weed Board at (253) 798-7263 or Jim Towslee (Field Inspector) at (253) 798-6844.

### Memorial Day Ferry Restrictions

- 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled.
- Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after 9:00 am, Thursday, May 27th through Monday, May 31st.
- Monday, May 31st the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.
- Please note cancelled runs over this holiday weekend.

### July 4th Weekend Ferry Restrictions

From 12:30 p.m. Thursday, July 1 through Monday, July 5, combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported.

### 2010 Ferry Dry Dock

The Charlie Wells is expected to be out of service for approximately two weeks beginning September 12th while it is in the shipyard for required routine maintenance.

## Island Manager Report May 8, 2010

### Administration:

**Facilities:** Parts are on order to replace the drain in front of the community building garage. The cost of these parts will be approximately \$1500. Thanks to Steve Kramer and Mike Shettlesworth for continuing to pursue this.

**Signage:** New ferry signs are in place and look great. There are also some new signs at the North Beach Marina regarding location of beached boats. Locking burn ban signs are ready for installation in two spots: at the Ferry Road intersection, and near the whiteboard sign at the top of the island.

**Volunteers:** Thanks again to the islanders who helped on Earth Day, and to those who helped pick up debris for the fire on May 15 – Chris & Shawn Rushmeier, Scott Sloan, Steve Kusander, and others. Mike Shettlesworth volunteered his boat and his time to take engineers from KPFF on a tour of the dolphins and North Beach Marina on April 29.

**Derelict Vehicles:** In late April, we sent certified letters to four members on whose property there are derelict vehicles, along with photographs of the items. The letter stated that if we did not hear from them in 30 days, we would assume that they wished HMC to take action to have these items removed through the Pierce County PC Responds process. To date, three letter receipts have been returned, and one owner has contacted us, upset by what she claims is illegal dumping on her property. She is offering to take action, and we will do our best to support that by facilitating her efforts.

There are at least 15 more properties with derelict vehicles, and as time permits, we'll continue to address this growing problem, to enhance the beauty of the island and its desirability to members and future members.

**Building Amnesty Program:** Possibly some members may want to be aware of Pierce County's Building Amnesty Program, which allows property owners to enter a program to review structures that may have been built, or altered, without a permit. The County wants to be certain that life safety issues are addressed in unpermitted structures, and also provides a way for property owners to meet standards and obtain a permit retroactively. Owners have one year to complete the process after the application has been accepted and a site visit conducted. More information can be obtained at the Pierce County web site, under Planning & Land Services.

**Water System Replacement/Upgrade:** No action pending the May 8 ballot.

**Water:** Mike Davis' absence has quite a noticeable impact, especially now that we must research and contract for water system operators off-island. We met with Mike Ireland of Washington Water, and have spoken with Peninsula Light and Northwest Water systems to gather information. I believe the best route at this time would be to ask the Water Committee to set a meeting where we could interview Washington Water, NWS and Pen Light regarding their recommendations on our system, costs and timeliness of service. We will need to meet with each of these to discuss our needs and reach agreement. So far, we have found quite a range of service costs:

- **Washington Water:** for 24/7 standby service -- \$1.60 per connection per month, plus monthly flat fee of \$218.
- **Pen Light:** monthly administrative fee \$4.00 per connection; monitoring monthly flat fee \$135 per month.
- **Northwest Water Systems:** "Included Services" (including 24/7 availability) \$85 per month; other services are billed at an hourly rate.

As you can see, contract terms vary widely. Pen Light base rate is more than double that of Washington Water, which is double that of Northwest Water Systems, and service levels also differ. I would recommend that the standing Water Committee (with Mike Davis' participation) meet with these potential contractors, each of whom is familiar with the island, and discuss contract terms with them to determine 1) scope of services; and 2) cost of services before recommending a provider to the Board. Obviously, this needs to be done quickly and given a high priority.

Until then, we will need to depend either on staff or volunteers to take the monthly water samples.

**Emergency Preparedness:**

**Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan:** Lou Dooley of Pierce County Emergency Management will make a presentation to the Board regarding this plan at today's meeting.

**Fire Department Liaison:**

Beach Burn permit has been issued, and the date is set for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Land Use:** Committee report.

**Legal Liaison:** Currently, five delinquencies.

**Parks:** Committee Report..

**Roads:**

**Maintenance:** The water truck has been serviced and Dick Mowry has been cleaning up roadside and doing some spring grading..

**Rules:** No report.

**Transportation:**

Ron Fugere, standby captain and deck hand, submitted his resignation last week. Ron has moved to the Seattle area and found that it is impractical for him to work and train on the Charlie Wells. Fortunately, at the same time Ron resigned, Paul Jensen has completed his captain's training and been approved as standby captain and deck hand.

An unfortunate accident occurred on the Charlie Wells when a member tripped and fell as she turned towards the passenger cabin. Kevin Kircher, Mike Shettlesworth, and Lyle Herman were witnesses, and were able to assist her until paramedics arrived. No permanent injuries appear to have occurred.

**Pierce County Wharf Easement:** No news regarding "land swap".

**Marine Facility Survey:** KPFF sent two engineers out to the island on April 29<sup>th</sup> to see the structures at low tide. Mike Shettlesworth was kind enough to take them on a tour from the water side in his boat.

We were also able to loan dock construction documents found in the attic of the community building, for use in their research.

**Technology:** No report.

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**Guest Pass Reminder**

Each guest pass must be fully completed and signed before giving it to the deckhand. Members are responsible for the conduct of their own or their renter's/roommate's etc., guests while on Herron Island.

Charges are only allowed for service providers. In order to save time and money, please include the name of the business or the type of service the person named provides on your guest pass.

**MEMORIAL SAILBOAT RACE**

SUNDAY MAY 30TH

12:00 NOON

MULTIHULL/MONOHULL

TROPHIES FOR WINNERS

START AND FINISH LINE--IMAGINARY LINE FROM NORTH  
BEACH FLAGPOLE TO END OF MAINLAND RAMP

**Welcome, New Islanders!**

HMC welcomes the following new members to  
Herron Island:

- Debra Kraft
- Robert & Jerie Wilkins

**Memorial Weekend Baseball Game  
Saturday, May 29th**

**Kids game 4:30 until 5:45 PM  
Adults start at 6:15, 7 innings or until 8 PM**

**Sign up starts at 4:00 PM for all players.  
Watch white boards for update about hotdogs, chips, and soda.**

**Looking forward for a great season,  
Baseball field is in good condition.**

**Dallas Amidon  
Baseball Chairperson**

**BOARD CANDIDATE RESUMES**

Board candidates are listed in alphabetical order with the wording as received from the candidate. Ballots will be mailed to HMC members separately.

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**NAME:** MARK B. ANDERSON

**YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC:** 9

**OCCUPATION:** Attorney

**PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

Attorney (14+ years)

U.S. Navy Nuclear Submarine Officer (21+ years total service)

Rotary Club of Tacoma No. 8 (7 years, including 2 as Board Member)

Breath of Aire (75 member not-for-profit faith-based choir - 7 years - singer/Board Member)

**EDUCATION OR TRAINING:**

U.S. Naval Academy (Annapolis)

1977 - Bachelor of Science in Operations Research

U.S. Navy Nuclear Engineer School

1982 - Nuclear Propulsion Plant Operation/Maintenance

Seattle University School of Law

1995 - Juris Doctorate

**HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

HMC Board (January 2010 to present); Land Use Committee (2003 to present);

Technology Committee (2009 to present); Legal Counsel (various/2006 to present).

**GOALS:**

1) improve Board/Membership relations and create more cooperative environment; 2) promote and contribute to sound fiscal responsibility and accountability; 3) engender prompt and well-considered Board decisions; and 4) properly manage the preservation and beneficial development of island resources, including a new water system.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT:**

I am proud to have served on our Board of Directors for the past several months. During this time, I have seen tremendous growth both on the Board and in our Membership as we together tackle the challenges posed by water project, our most ambitious community effort ever. I hope to be given the opportunity to continue as a proactive resource to address issues affecting our entire island community and, to that end, facilitate improved, open communications between the Board and the Membership.

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## Board Candidate Resumes (cont'd)

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**NAME:** Judy Greinke

**YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC:** 19

**OCCUPATION:** retired teacher

**PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

Elementary School educator

Board member and officer of Habitat for Humanity Gig Harbor Chapter

Spiritual leader at Harbor Christian Center - G. H.

**EDUCATION OR TRAINING**

Pacific Lutheran Univ.

BA in education

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5<sup>th</sup> year studies in Social Sciences

**HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

1995 - 1998 - Rules & Regulation Committee member

1991 - 2007 - Herron Island Boosters officer & Committee Chairman

2007 - 2009 - Herron Island Water Committee secretary and co-chair

2008 - Present - Herron Island Board of Directors

2008 - Present - Herron Island Water Project Committee member

**GOALS:**

My goal is to preserve all natural resources on Herron Island. Everything from drinking water to our wetlands, beaches, and parks require diligent effort as we protect & improve our island community. I will continue to work toward a strong positive community.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT:**

During the last 2 years on the board, I learned a great deal about our membership and the operations of HMC. This experience supports my ability to listen to others, make compromises and always try to do what is best for the island. The water upgrade and line replacement project is of major importance, along with dolphin replacement, park improvements, and other worthy projects. I review all island issues in a professional manner that encourages mutual respect for the variety of opinions and ideas we embrace here on the island. In these critical times, we need positive hard working members who have a clear cut goal for success. I appreciate your vote to continue as your Herron Island Board member.

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## Board Candidate Resumes (cont'd)

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**NAME:** Gary Wanzong

**YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC:** 8

**OCCUPATION:** Manager, Maintenance Operations

**PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:** Certified Plant Maintenance Manager, Certified Building Operator, Certified Environmental Systems Auditor

**EDUCATION OR TRAINING:**

University of Minnesota	Bachelor degree in business
University of the United States Air Force	Associate degree in Avionic Engineering
University of Phoenix	OSHA Regulations
USPS Technical Training Center	Various electrical, management and safety courses

**HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

I have not been elected to the board in the past. I have attended board meetings, when I have been on the island, and have kept up on the issues pertaining to our community.

**GOALS:**

I would like to see our community remain financially solvent and continue to plan on making improvements to our infrastructures. I feel that planning for future expenses, and building reserves to cover these expenses, will diminish the financial burdens to our members both in the short and long term.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT:**

We, as a community, have some important decisions which will have to be made that will impact all of us financially. I want to make sure that we explore our options, arrive at various proposals and costs, and then as a community make the best financial choice possible so that we can move forward. When a project is undertaken, all options should be explored so that not only the upfront costs are evaluated, but also the hidden costs, current and future liabilities, regulations and regulations being proposed are considered. As a maintenance manager of a large facility, I handle various projects regarding the building and its supporting infrastructure, processing equipment and regulatory issues. Part of my responsibility is to assure that the return on investment is maximized when funds are expended and that funds are not wasted. I would use this same work ethic if elected to the HMC board.

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## **THE STORY CONTINUES: “WATER FOR HERRON ISLAND”**

The year was 1958 and the owners of Herron Island, later called the “founding fathers”, logged off almost all the trees on the island and sold them. They enjoyed a nice income from this venture but also provided an outstanding water view to every island lot. Lots were platted, roads put in and a few lots were sold. Then in 1962, water rights were obtained for well #1 and the water system was established. As the community grew another well was drilled in 1985 with all the required water rights for well #2. Now, every one of those beautiful view lots could also have running water to their property.

Island members enjoyed clean pure drinking water for many years. Most lots were recreational with only a few full time residences so water usage was low. Except for running the ferry, volunteers ran the island and did almost all of the work, including management of our water department. We have utilized the services of water chairmen, water people, water workers, and even a “water commissioner” reminiscent of the old radio days.

In 1992, the water chairperson, Dick Provencal, wrote a report about the future of our deteriorating water system. His report called for the replacement and upgrade of our water system with bids totaling an average cost of \$940,648. The price seemed unbelievably high and... as we know... the upgrade never happened.

Several years and a few failed water quality tests later, Island owners voted and agreed to purchase a 99,000 gallon water reservoir. The old concrete reservoir had served the community well until its retirement in 2005 and islanders have had the benefit of clean pure water quality tests ever since.

But the deteriorating water system did not improve or go away. The need for fire hydrants and new water distribution lines continued and even increased. Following Washington State Health Department regulations, Herron Island volunteers and staff worked with the engineers at Anchor Environmental to produce the Water System Plan now in effect here on Herron Island.

This Water System Plan coordinates the State Department of Health with Pierce County Agencies and documents adequate water rights and capacity to supply the annual water volume needed for our projected full build out of 525 connections. This plan provides guidelines for system improvements including upgrades at the pump house, and new distribution lines with fire hydrants and service meters.

From the island’s conception, up to the present time, Herron Island owners and management have worked toward meeting the needs and exceeding the expectations for pure safe water to Herron Island properties.

Positive results from the recent ballot issues #1, #2, and #3, show that the majority of Herron Islanders continue with their commitment to provide “the best” for our island. We now have choices!

Get involved to learn the facts for yourself! It will be you, the membership, who will vote again in the near future to make the next important decisions that will have a lasting effect on the quality of life on Herron Island.

**PROPOSED 2010-2011 HMC BUDGET**

Budget Year	2009-2010	2010-2011	
Assessable Units	396	396	
Units minus delinquents	391	391	
<b>SUMMARY / INCOME</b>			
<i>Non-Assessment Income</i>			
Ferry User Fees	154,000	170,000	New fee schedule
Gen Fund Interest	3,000	1,500	
Payments/Delinquent Accts/Interest/Handling	7,000	4,000	
Carryover from previous year	-	-	
Miscellaneous Income	6,000	6,000	
Required Assessment Income	586,455	633,388	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>756,455</b>	<b>814,888</b>	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>756,455</b>	<b>814,888</b>	Includes ferry shipyard and new water manager

Charge/assessable unit If everyone paid	<b>\$1,481</b>	<b>\$1,599</b>
Charge/assessable unit considering uncollectables	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$1,620</b>

**EXPENSES**

<i>ADMINISTRATION</i>			
Office Equipment	1,000	1,000	
Office Supplies	1,200	1,200	
Emergency Preparedness	1,000	500	
Community Associations Institute	400	400	
Accountant	5,000	6,000	
Payroll Service	725	100	
Bank Fees	500	200	
<i>Insurance</i>			
Directors/Officers	3,200	2,600	
Facilities and general liability	22,000	7,000	Previous year double budget of Marine Insurance Policy for multiple years
Employee Dishonesty	550	100	
Auto/Truck	1,000	920	
<i>Legal Fees</i>			
Collection Costs	8,000	8,000	
General	5,000	9,000	
To Legal Reserves	-	-	
From Legal Reserves			
<i>Other</i>			
Ads for New Employees	400	100	
Website	125	125	
Misc.	2,000	1,000	
<i>Postage</i>			
Stamps	3,100	3,000	
<i>Printing</i>			
Copier Contract	725	1,455	
Printing - Other	3,000	3,600	
<i>Wages / Benefits</i>			
Admin Dept. Wages	76,690	76,224	
Payroll Taxes	7,075	7,042	and office backup
Retirement	2,202	2,419	
Insurance	6,594	8,970	
Federal, State & County Taxes	4,500	4,500	
Building Maintenance and Supplies	1,000	1,000	
Utilities	2,400	2,400	
Contract Services for Junk Removal		500	New category
HMC Property Pre-sale Expense		1,500	New category
Island Security	4,000	2,000	Mainland parking for shipyard period
Telephone/Long Distance	2,500	2,500	
HMC - tree cutting	2,500	2,500	Removal of unsafe trees
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>168,386</b>	<b>157,855</b>	<b>Equals \$404 per assessable unit</b>

<i>DOCKS</i>			
Repairs/Maintenance	2,000	5,000	
<i>Other</i>			
<i>Sanikans</i>			
Parts & Supplies	1,000	1,000	
Inspection	1,000	1,000	
Annual DNR Lease	1,400	1,400	
Utilities	1,200	1,200	
<i>Dock Reserves</i>			
To Reserves	30,000	30,000	
From Reserves			
<b>Total Docks</b>	<b>36,600</b>	<b>42,200</b>	<b>Equals \$108 per assessable unit</b>

**FERRY**

Ferry Shipyard	-	90,000	Ferry shipyard occurs this year
To Ferry Shipyard Reserves		-	
From Ferry Shipyard Reserves	-	(45,000)	Reserves from previous years
Engine Overhaul		36,000	Engine overhaul occurs this year

To Engine Overhaul Reserves	12,000	-		
From Engine Overhaul Reserves		(24,000)		Reserves from previous years
Major Repairs	5,000	5,000		
Fuel	55,000	60,000		
Insurance	43,000	42,200		
Equipment	2,500	2,500		
Routine Maintenance	7,000	7,000		
Ferry Dept. Wages and Expense	253,789	249,516		Previous year had longevity payments
Payroll Taxes	22,321	21,873		
Retirement	14,925	14,500		
Insurance	34,320	29,900		Based on current plus 15% estimate
Supplies	1,000	2,000		
Personal Property & Excise Tax	4,000	3,000		
<b>Other</b>				
Ferry Cell Phone	600	600		
Drug Testing	600	600		
Inspection & Licensing	1,200	1,200		
Pension Administration	550	550		
Uniforms	1,000	1,000		
Passenger Vessel Assoc. Dues	400	400		
Misc.	1,500	1,500		
<b>Total Ferry</b>	<b>460,705</b>	<b>500,339</b>	<b>Equals \$1,280</b>	<b>per assessable unit</b>
<b>PARKS</b>				
Parks Dept. Wages	1,472	1,472		
Payroll Taxes	242	242		
Maintenance	2,500	2,500		
<b>Small Boat Dock</b>				
Maintenance	500	500		
Supplies & Repairs	1,600	1,600		
Utilities	250	650		
<b>Other</b>				
Playground Improvement	500	500		
Sanikans	6,800	3,000		Separated docks and parks sanikans
Garbage Pick Up	850	850		
Parks Development	2,000	2,000		
Parks Reserves				
To Parks Reserves	5,100	6,000		
From Parks Reserves				
<b>Total Parks</b>	<b>21,814</b>	<b>19,314</b>	<b>Equals \$49</b>	<b>per assessable unit</b>
<b>ROADS</b>				
Repairs & Maintenance	16,400	18,000		
Supplies & Materials	11,000	11,000		
<b>Maintenance</b>				
Other	2,000	2,000		
Wages	600	600		
Payroll taxes	108	108		
Dust Control Truck	2,000	1,000		
Utilities	-	-		
Road Reserves				
To Road Reserves	3,000	3,000		
From Road Reserves				
<b>Total Roads</b>	<b>35,108</b>	<b>35,708</b>	<b>Equals \$91</b>	<b>per assessable unit</b>
<b>WATER</b>				
Contract Manager	720	15,000		
Repairs	5,000	5,000		
Water Dept. Wages	7,000	7,000		
Payroll Taxes	972	972		
Water Reserves				
To Water Reserves	11,300	20,000		
From Water Reserves	-	-		
Supplies/Repairs	3,100	5,500		
Utilities	3,000	3,500		
<b>Other</b>				
Education and Training	500	-		
Membership-Evergreen Water	200	200		
Misc	300	300		
Permits & Licenses	600	600		
Water Samples	400	400		
Excise Tax	750	1,000		
<b>Total Water</b>	<b>33,842</b>	<b>59,472</b>	<b>Equals \$152</b>	<b>per assessable unit</b>
<b>Total Reserve Contributions</b>	<b>61,400</b>	<b>59,000</b>		

**SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE (4/1 through 9/30)**

MON		TUE		WED		THUR		FRI		SAT		SUN	
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								8:30	9:00				

Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day same as Sunday

<b>2010 Low Tide Cancellations/Adjustments</b>	
<b>May</b>	
Thursday, May 13	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Friday, May 14	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Saturday, May 15	11:30 am- 12:00 pm no shuttles 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled
Sunday, May 16	2:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled
Monday, May 17	2:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled
Tuesday, May 18	3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled
Wednesday, May 26	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Thursday, May 27	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Friday, May 28	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Saturday, May 29	12:00 pm – 2:30 pm cancelled
Sunday, May 30	1:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day Holiday – Schedule same as Sunday 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled

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<b>June</b>	
Friday, June 11	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Saturday, June 12	10:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
Sunday, June 13	11:30 am – 2:00 pm cancelled
Monday, June 14	12:00 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled
Tuesday, June 15	3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled
Wednesday, June 16	3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled
Wednesday, June 23	9:30 am – 10:30 am cancelled
Thursday, June 24	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Friday, June 25	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Saturday, June 26	11:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
Sunday, June 27	11:30 am – 2:00 pm cancelled
<b>July</b>	
Saturday, July 10	9:30 am – 10:00 am no shuttles 10:00 am leaves early 10:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
Sunday, July 11	10:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled 1:30 pm may leave late
Monday, July 12	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Tuesday, July 13	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Saturday, July 24	10:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
Sunday, July 25	11:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
<b>August</b>	
Saturday, August 7	9:30 am – 11:00 am cancelled
Sunday, August 8	9:30 am – 12:00 pm cancelled
Monday, August 9	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled
Tuesday, August 10	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm cancelled

## Wondering Where the Big Bucks Are?

Gayle Herman

We moved to Herron Island full-time last May, after visiting here for 4 years. We have always enjoyed the wildlife, especially the deer. Many people on the Island send their guests to W. Herron Blvd. to view the herd. Because we feed the deer twice per day, we have developed relationships with them—giving them names and even petting them. When we ring the dinner bell, they all come running. We understand that not everyone on the Island view the deer the way we do. Some even think they are a nuisance. But, most will admit that they are an attraction on the Island and visitors appreciate the close proximity to wildlife.

We also understand that many people view the raccoons as a nuisance. There have been meetings about safely trapping them and removing them from the Island. We fear that some people may have taken this process into their own hands and set out poison to kill the raccoons. We are writing this letter to let those people know that they are killing more than just the raccoons. Within one week, while hiking around the Island, we found three dead bucks and one that was acting sick. Since the biggest bucks get to eat the food first, we think that they found the bait that was meant for the raccoons and ate it. There were a few does that also died suddenly. We are extremely saddened that our favorite deer are gone. Needless to say, the raccoons that we enjoyed viewing are no longer around.

Please think about the ramifications of setting out poison. Also think about your fellow Islanders who have pets that might get loose and eat that poison. We moved here to enjoy the wildlife, not to destroy the wildlife. Please find another way to keep the animals you don't like away from your property.

## We Got A Round Tuit

Thanks to everyone who "Got A Round Tuit" and joined  
Herron Island PARKS 4th Annual Parks Appreciation & Clean-Up  
Earth Day Celebration & Small Boat Dock Installation Event

We had some familiar faces as well as some new ones. Young and old all pitched in. Thirty-five helpers in all worked approximately four hours...you can do the math to add up the savings to members.

**Special thanks to all...** We hope we haven't missed any one: The Gerhard Family, The Smith Family, The Hill Family, The Skillings Family, Al Moren, Denny Duback, Steve Kusander, Terry Fletcher, Del Robertson, Rich Urfer, Dick Mowry, Stan Worden, The Anspachs, The Farrises, Alice Nelson, Mike Shettlesworth, Kathy Deuster, Dana Gruber, The Wells, Graham Ulmer, Merry Kogut, Steve Chapin, Werner Schilter, Judy Greinke, Tommie Gallucci, Janet Podell, Julie Elrod and The Mullans... sorry if your name isn't here – all were greatly appreciated!



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