

Island Manager Report April 10, 2021

Administration

- HMC seeks a Webmaster to maintain and manage the HMC website. Please contact the Island Manager, if interested. This has been handled by a volunteer who is ready to step down.
- An interested member is working with the Beachcomber publication and will likely take this on as a volunteer.
- The office has migrated email to Microsoft 365 giving HMC email security. While this is a user-friendly environment there is much to learn and staff is working through changes.
- The annual USCG inspection will be April 12, noon runs will be cancelled due to this.
- Mainland parking lot will have lanes marked and signs showing lane numbers by the end of the month.
- Please welcome York Lambrecht as standby deckhand on the ferry beginning mid-April.
- Thank you to Frank Harrison who has served as Water Committee chair, he has chosen to resign. With the water department built out and generally managed by NW Water Systems there is no longer a need for a Water Committee.
- Small Boat Docks installation is scheduled for Saturday, May 1.
- Thank you to Dale Miller for mowing, the parks look great.
- Parks will install additional kayak racks provided by HMC Boosters, thank you.

Hipcamp

There has been a lot of conversation regarding Hipcamp and member use. Hipcamp hosts are providing a “for profit public campground”. HMC is still reviewing this, however, please note the following links where individuals may report zoning and land use violations to Pierce County.

Island neighbors should address concerns directly with the homeowner. Anyone may research under Pierce County zoning, or other Pierce County ordinances. There is a lot to wade through as with all regulations.

More information:

All of Herron Island is subject to the zoning code for the Key Peninsula Community Plan Area. All of the residential lots on the Island are zoned Residential / R10 (10 lots per acre).

It appears from the plan that camping or recreational vehicle use is allowed on a residential lot for up to 120 days per year (See 18A.38.020); provided, however, "a parcel may host not more than three temporary uses within a calendar year" (See 18A.38.030).

HMC ByLaw 11.2- Limitation on Business Use, articles 11.2.1 through 11.2.4 may apply and this is under review.

Pierce County Code Enforcement Reporting link

<https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1571/Code-Enforcement>

Legal Liaison: There are 10 delinquencies; 7 with the attorney's office
Departments/Committees

Maintenance: Gary Wanzong – No report

Parks: Dale Miller – Report

Policies: Mike Gage – No report

Roads: Dan Marten – No report

Emergency Preparedness: Ken Higgins - No report

Water: - No report

Small Boat Docks: Sherri Anderson – To report

Rules: Mike Fassio – 1 complaint pending