

HMC BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2002

Call to Order: Nick Huff called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

Roll Call: N. Huff, President, K. Fennell, Treasurer, J. Podell, Executive Secretary and Asst. Treasurer, B. Turpin, Land Use, Doug Allen, Island Manager, R Pinkley, Secretary and Water, and F. Reichlin, Rules and Regulations. Excused – Ken Freeman, Vice President

Membership input: None

Previous Board Meeting Minutes:

J. Podell made a motion to accept the March 9th Board meeting minutes. B. Turpin seconded. Motion carried. K. Fennell made a motion to accept the March 9th Special Membership Meeting minutes. R. Pinkley seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Robert Pinkley reported that no correspondence was received in the last month.

Finance:

K. Fennell made a motion to pay the island bills. J. Podell seconded. Motion carried. See written Treasurer's report covering details of current budget planning, ferry insurance, ferry revenue, bids for North Beach pump station, water system study and special financing by the state for small water systems capital improvements. Doug discussed the pros and cons of utilizing this opportunity. The state requires meters to be installed and the use of state approved contractors. He indicated that the state offers low interest rates over a 20-year period. We will revisit this issue following receipt of the engineering study currently being conducted. (Contract has been signed for the engineering study and will commence shortly following a meeting of the state regional engineer for Dept. of Health and our consultant scheduled for 4/24/02.)

Doug discussed the pending cancellation of our property insurance (May 1st). Our insurance brokers are still looking for replacement coverage. See written island manager's report for details of other insurance issues.

Island Manager's report:

A detailed assessment of each section can be found in the Island Manager's written report. Additional discussions that occurred between the Board and HMC members present are shown below.

Administrative:

Discussion occurred concerning a tow truck hauler available to haul abandoned vehicles off of the island. He has currently hauled several cars off the island for a \$50 fee. He has offered to remove our old water truck for \$75. The Board discussed the issue and decided to authorize payment of the fee. **K. Fennell made motion to authorize payment for this service and J. Podell seconded. Motion carried.** John Farris discussed the details of the service. An issue surfaced concerning who should pay the ferry fees each time a car is removed. Al Moren suggested that the service is so valuable to the island community, HMC should waive the ferry fees. Considerable discussion followed, both pro and con. The service needs to be advertised either in the Beachcomber or web site to advise the membership of the availability of this service. **B. Turpin made a motion to waive ferry fee when junk vehicles are removed from the island. R. Pinkley seconded. Motion carried.**

Legal

The island manager, president, vice president and treasurer met with Jim Strichartz concerning the status of our By Laws review. New rules for homeowner's associations were recently published and he will forward those to us. He also made a commitment to review our By Laws in the near future.

Transportation:

See written Island Manager's report. The ferry cable replacement will occur April 16-17.

A member (Marie Davis) joined the meeting and with a request to know if the Board authorized the placement of the old red water truck on her property. The Board indicated that they did not. Marie Davis then gave the Board permission to remove the old red water truck from her property.

Water:

See Island Manager's report. The cover for the water reservoir has not yet been purchased. A search is still underway for the correct one.

Roads:

See written report concerning paving at the ferry loading area. Written permission needs to be granted from Dick Pugh before any work can proceed. Also, more rock needs to be ordered to maintain our roads. A recommendation was made to include \$2000 in next year's budget to purchase this material.

Two proposals were received for installation of the electrical pump at north beach. Ditch work would have to be done by island volunteers. Considerable discussion occurred concerning the actual logistics for completing the job. Inquires will be made to better understand the bids received.

Land Use:

No written report. The Lewis lot has been cleaned up and is 100% improved. See written Island Mgrs. report for issues concerning tree removal on HMC land. There is a dead maple tree on the playground that needs to be removed.

Further discussion occurred concerning an owner (Curtis Green) who requested permission to widen the road in front of his property to better accommodate access to his property. This would require the removal of some island owned trees. Nick requested a formal written assessment by the owner concerning which trees need to be removed and how much of the right of way would be affected.

HMC properties for sale. No bids received to date. N. Huff indicated that the properties will be offered for sale commercially. Additionally, K. Fennell indicated that our old office printer should also be put up for sale.

Rules & Regulations:

See written report.

F. Reichlin reported that there are currently two complaints in work.

1) Disobeying a deck hand, and 2) Speeding motorcycle on the island.

Committee still reviewing issues that surfaced during the rules and regulations meeting from last month.

Fire Department/Emergency Preparedness:

No report. John Farris discussed a recent 911 call and expressed the concern that the process still needs to be honed. Additionally it was requested that a follow up call be made to the crew members after they are paged for an emergency ferry run.

Parks:

No written report.

Next Saturday is the scheduled date for re-roofing the pavilion. The small boat docks were returned to the water last month. Linda Moran reported that the Boosters have voted to spend \$1500 to buy a storage container to be installed behind the community center. **K. Fennell made motion to grant permission to**

the Boosters to place the container on the north side of the building. F. Reichlin seconded. Motion carried.

Also, the acoustical report for the community center building suggested that the ceiling be lowered with acoustical tiles and carpet should be glued to the inside of the roll up doors. These issues are going to be discussed at the Booster meeting tonight.

Boosters:

Boosters meet tonight for a barbecue and a meeting.

Beachcomber:

Deadline for entries is 4/15/02.

New Business:

Heat in the community center building was brought up.

An injured deer is on the island and the Board needs to give approval to the Pierce County Regional Office for Wildlife Issues to euthanize the deer. A process should be developed when this type of situation occurs.

Adjournment:

B. Turpin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. K. Fennell seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

J. Podell, Executive Secretary