

HMC Management Board Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2013

Call to Order: Gary Wanzong called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Roll Call: Gary Wanzong, President Co-Treasurer; Pat Zazzo, Vice-President; Sherri Anderson, Secretary Co-Treasurer; Janet Podell, and Dianne DeGood, Members at Large. Claudia Ellsworth, Island Manager. [IM]

Gary announced that Board members would be recording the meeting for the purpose of completing the minutes.

Previous HMC Management Board Meeting Minutes: Gary moved to approve the July, 2013 HMC Management Board meeting minutes. Motion carried. He also moved to approve the July 2013, Special Meeting of Counting Ballots minutes. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Continued receiving Member Input on proposed speed limit change from 15 mph to 10 mph
- Member requested permission to cut down a tree on HMC property, which was approved.
- Member request for waiver on late fees, which was denied.
- Complaint about Members using private beaches and not cleaning up after dogs potty break
- Roads inspection by County Inspector
- Note from Jester, NWW, on decisions made during water project with regards towards roads

Finance: Gary moved to pay the bills for the HMC Management General Fund and HMC Water Department as presented. With no further discussion both motions carried.

Sherri reported current financials on track and will probably be at or below budget.

Sherri made a motion for HMC Water Department to reimburse HMC \$8,000 which was used as a buffer for the water checking account. Motion carried.

Sherri also made a motion to move \$8,000 from the water reserves to the water checking account to put in place a buffer within the cash account. Motion carried.

Administration: See the Island Manager's report for the full report of Administration issues.

Tansy: The County was out to clear tansy on properties that have not been taken care of and it was mentioned this will cost the property owner about \$850 and will be included with their property tax bill. The County will also put a lien on the property. HMC roadways were good but there is still tansy on lots owned by HMC.

Committees:

Water /Water Project: Charles continues to work on water issues and questions. These water requests are usually turned around within 24 to 48 hours. Charles met with Tony Norris, the NWS operator, who will be our primary contact. August 12th is the cutover date to NWS from WWSC. 1st line of contact will be HMC at Hmcwater@herronisland.org for water issues. There will be available a 24 hour emergency phone for NWS but want Members to go through HMC first whenever possible.

August 1st, the meters were read. Able to identify 13 possible leaks since the program identifies when water is run constantly for a 24 hour period or usage seems exceptionally high. Letters were sent to those property owners.

North Beach was noted as having high usage. Charles will investigate this. Also looking into having a hydrant hose at North Beach. IM will consult with insurance broker regarding liability issues.

The Water Committee provided to the Board the Herron Island Water Department Administrative and Operating Rules for review and approval. **Gary made a motion to approve this document with one correction on page 6 "Each of these violations is subject to an additional \$50 fine....". Motion carried.**

Received report from the County inspector and had a meeting with project engineer and contractor to solve the open permit issues.

Emergency Preparedness: Meeting 12:30 today. Radios are ready and will be handed out to volunteers.

Land Use: Merry Kogut volunteered to chair this committee. Still looking for volunteers to join the LUC. Member brought up the need to review and update the LUC charter and mission statement.

LUC provided to the Board the Land Use Policy for review. **Gary made a motion to accept the most recent Land Use Policy. Motion carried.**

HMC received title for mainland property. HMC is also working on getting title to Lot 16 of Nature Park.

Parks: Small Boat Docks are expected to come out after the Ferry returns. There will be a fall work party, date and time to be determined. Tracy Anspach continues to research Lawn mower replacement.

Roads: Jack Wells, Chairman, provided project costs for 3 items. **Gary made a motion to give permission to proceed with the first 2 items, 1- Lower drainage project on Madrona Lane/unmaintained S Herron Blvd and 2- Drainage control S Herron Lane. Motion carried.** The 3rd item South Herron Blvd road realignment is expected to be completed in October with next fiscal year operating roads budget.

Member asked about gravel. The Board is planning to bring in additional gravel and is working on options.

There was discussion on the proposed speed limit change from 15 mph to 10 mph. The speed limit will remain at 15 mph. The Board would rather continue to educate and remind Members and Guests to keep speed limit down, control dust and maintain roads. Janet Podell was one Board Member in favor of lowering the speed from 15 mph to 10 mph.

There was discussion about signs, for example at the Ferry Dock for speed limit and South Beach for no fires allowed on beach. It was decided to review the signage on the island and possible changes or replacements.

Ferry: Sargent Engineers response was yes to it being possible the ferry ramps can handle the weight of steel if we want to replace current wood planks when the ramps are being painted which is scheduled in about two years. We will continue to research what direction to go.

John Farris commented on their meeting Friday, August 9th with the Coast Guard, supplier and shipyard in preparation for the engine and transmission replacement. The time frame is approximately 3 weeks or less.

B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S: Meeting and Pot luck is tonight at 6pm. The new storage shed has been installed off the patio of the Community Building. **Judy Greinke asked permission from the Board for the Labor Day dance, Saturday, August 31, 2013 to go until 11pm. Gary made a motion and the motion carried.** Sherri pointed out that the revised rules (June 2013) now have quiet time starting at 11pm on Friday and Saturday nights.

Beachcomber: Must submit articles by Wednesday, 5pm.

Rumor Control/Membership Questions: A Member asked if HMC involved in a lawsuit. Gary replied no. There was a discussion on titles of properties to make sure title is clear. There will be something added to the Beachcomber to remind Members about checking that your property has clear title. A Member discussed a couple of instances where Members used pay it forward method. Janet mentioned that at last check volunteer hours equated to over \$13,000 or \$14,000.

New Business: Pat Zazzo mentioned the HMC office front door will be replaced and is needing volunteers to install it.

Since there was no further business, Gary moved that we adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Anderson, Recording Secretary