

HMC Management Board Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2014

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; Dianne DeGood and Janet Podell, 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 January 2014 HMC Management Board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Email from Member on work being done on the roads.
- Email from New Member about access to the Island to see property purchased through Tax Sale.
- Letter from Member about boat registrations.
- Letter from Intuit QuickBooks notice of rate increase.

Other correspondence or discussions are covered within the Island Manager's Administrative report

Finance: Gary compared October through January of the past 2 years and the dollars saved are around \$7,000 with the new Ferry Engines.

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

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

Reserve Study: The annual reserve study is coming up again. Association Reserves will include the water system reserve with their report this year. The Board moved, seconded and voted to approve the new contract with Association Reserves to study the water system, which had been reviewed by Northwest Water Systems last year.

Water and Water Committee: Judy Greinke reported: Will add to the operations and administration rules the legality of shutting off property water. Continue to look at rate studies. Recommendation to the Board to remove 53 trees within the fence of the water tower in order to make the site more functional for other public works purposes. The bid included the contractor to take the wood from the fallen trees. **Janet made a motion to approve the Water Committee recommendation to remove the 53 trees located on the water tower lot up to \$8,500 which will come from Water Reserves. Motion carried.**

Charles reported continues to flush a couple of hydrants a day but because it is so frozen out, he doesn't want to run a lot of water out on the roads and property so as soon as it gets warmer will finish this process.

Land Use (LUC): There was discussion on the Recreational Vehicle Certification (formerly known as Form 13). Since waste dumping is regulated by the County there was discussion on why HMC needs to be involved in this process. The certification mentions RV grey water but should say waste/black water. It also says Members so it doesn't mention how to handle guests who want to bring their RV's to the island. The Board decided to review the form and the feedback discussions further before making a motion to accept.

Emergency Preparedness: Phone tree needs to be updated.

Parks: Tracy reported provided the wish list for next fiscal year budget. There was discussion on purchasing a new Lawn Mower. Member brought up why not go out to contract bid for lawn mowing HMC properties.

Roads: Jack Wells reported trying to take care of soft spots. He also turned in roads proposed budget for next fiscal year.

Ferry and Ramps: Recommendation to the Board from the volunteer Ramp review committee to authorize HMC to enter into a contract with Sargent Engineers.

Gary made a motion to go forward with this recommendation which has a cost up to \$47,000 for this process. Motion carried.

Sargent will provide the 2014 inspection report to Pierce County. In 2016 we could skip that inspection since it would be part of the Ramp painting project.

B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S: First meeting and Potluck of the year tonight. There is a 2014 calendar that is hanging in the community building that others can use also.

Beachcomber: Must submit articles by Wednesday, 5 pm, January 15th for the January/February issue. There will no longer be a Beachcomber brief, therefore, in October, December and February the Board won't have a Beachcomber published.

Rumor Control/Membership Questions: John Farris brought up possible Ferry Schedule change to allow the Summer Schedule to begin March 1st and end October 31st each year. This would add one month (additional runs) to each end of the schedule (current Summer Schedule is April 1st to September 30th). There was discussion about this recommendation and the Board decided to look into this and costs further and will vote electronically. The resolution will be brought to the March Board meeting.

New Business: A Member asked about when the docks are going back in. This would be in April but the date has not been finalized yet.

Old Business: Continued discussion on enticing volunteers to sign up and participate on the Herron Island Volunteer Fire Department.

Gary also brought up that we also need to look at enticing volunteers with other projects too. The number of volunteers has been decreasing.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Anderson, Recording Secretary