

## HMC Management Board Meeting Minutes (November 13, 2010)

**Call to Order:** Gary Wanzong called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. He reported that due to a conflict, Mark Anderson had recused himself from participation as a Board member at this meeting and had chosen to take a seat in the audience as a member participant.

**Roll Call:** Janet Podell, Secretary; Gary Wanzong, Asst. Treasurer, Judy Greinke, Member at Large, Claudia Ellsworth, Island Manager.

Excused absence: Fred Fath, President/Treasurer; Mark Anderson, Vice President

### **Previous Board Meeting Minutes:**

- **Judy Greinke made a motion to accept the October '10 meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

### **Correspondence:**

- There were five items of correspondence received during the month. These were addressed if the subject matter came up during the course of the meeting.

### **Finance**

- **Gary Wanzong, Asst. Treasurer, made a motion to move \$45K from the Reserves to pay the dry dock shipyard bills. Motion carried**
- **Judy Greinke made a motion to pay the bills including a bill for the ferry filters that was just received into the office. Motion carried.**

### **Administration:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Administration issues not directly mentioned

- The Island Manager reported out on the mainland mooring lines issue including the recently identified requirement for permits from the County. More detail on this issue can be found in the Island Manager's report.
- It was noted that we incorrectly reported out at last month's Board meeting that Pierce County was changing address suffix designations from KPN to KN. As it turns out, the KN designation is being used by Pierce County only for some of their in-house software. **Members are instructed that the old "KPN" designation is still correct.** Some addresses may be changing for emergency response purposes, but the affected members will be notified directly by the County. Additional detail can be found in the Island Manager's report.

### **Legal:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Legal issues not directly mentioned here.

- There are currently four delinquencies. Three are presently with the Island Collections Attorney.

### **Land Use:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Land Use issues not directly mentioned here.

- Kathy Deuster reported that she has provided a listing of all current members of the Land Use Committee.
- Kathy also indicated that there has been discussion of increasing our parking capacity at the Community Center. More to follow.

### **Transportation:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Transportation issues not directly mentioned here.

- Ferry noise complaints from the mainland. - A proposal was received from an Acoustic Engineering firm. We need to consider our other alternatives first, since further study would be costly. We are still trying to work with the shipyard for relief. Mark Anderson,

speaking in his capacity as a member only, stated that he understood the intent was to reduce the noise and suggested that this could be a warranty issue for the manufacturer. He went on to say that maybe the manufacturer should be assuming the cost of the acoustic engineer's proposal. Terry Fletcher stated his opinion that the noise is not coming from the stack but the harmonics of the engines. There are three primary issues to be considered and while there is no legal requirement imposed on HMC as it relates to the island members or the mainland neighbors, there is a legal OSHA requirement as it relates to the crew. We will continue to engage with the shipyard for mitigation and consider further action if we are not successful with the shipyard.

- North Beach Marina Ballot – Significant discussion followed on this issue. Member's questions included: Do we really need to spend the money now? (The Marina piles have a remaining life of 0-2 years and the consequences of doing nothing could be complete shutdown.) Should we preserve some Reserves for emergencies? (HMC reserves exist for other contingencies, and reserve contributions are annually budgeted. Also, the Board wishes to reduce the need for special assessments when Reserve funds are readily available.) The timeline would be 2011 -2012 and it has to be done outside of the salmon spawning window. **Following the discussion Gary Wanzong made a motion to proceed with the Ballot as written. Motion carried.**

#### **Rules & Regulations:**

- The Rules Committee needs new members. Please contact the office if you are interested in being a member.

#### **Emergency Preparedness:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Emergency Preparedness issues not directly mentioned here.

- The Island Manager reported out on the recent telephone outage. For more details see the Island Manager's report.
- Our Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA and WA State.
- Mike Davis informed the members present that radio station 89.9 FM broadcasts emergencies and power outages. **Janet Podell made a motion that we adopt the Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.** Copies of the plan will be made available to the members. Judy Greinke suggested that we write a Mitigation Disaster Grant. Further discussion will follow.

#### **Water:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Water issues not directly mentioned here.

- No Report from the WPC Chairman, but the Island Manager's report contains details of the status of the system upgrade.

#### **Parks:**

- There will be a Parks meeting this afternoon to review recent changes to the Rules as they apply to the Parks department.

#### **Roads:**

See the Island Manager's report for miscellaneous Road issues not directly mentioned here.

- No report from the Roads chairman.
- Bill Burdett mentioned that the property in front of the old Kirk store has drainage problems

#### **Technology:**

- It was reported that HMC is still researching the implementation of an electronic ferry ticketing system.

#### **Rumor Control/Member Issues:**

- Bill Burdett expressed his opinion that 20% of the membership will default on their property if they are required to help pay for a new water system.
- Dallas expressed his opinion as a realtor that there is so much uncertainty about the new water system that it is affecting real estate transactions on the island.

- Jack Wells heard that Peninsula Light has backed away from the water system upgrade. Allen Moren reiterated that Pen Light has had administrative turnover and he confirmed their decision to back away from their previous concept proposal. Pen Light has also contacted the IM on this issue to confirm this corporate decision.
- Mike Shettlesworth asked about his suggested change to the ferry schedule. We will be publishing a request for input in this months Beachcomber.

**Executive Session:**

- An Executive Session was conducted prior to the Board meeting to discuss a property that is currently in foreclosure.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- FD16 is looking for used bicycles if anyone has one to donate.
- The phone book is proceeding along well. Mike Davis will write a notification for the Beachcomber.

**Action Item Review:**

- Following adjournment of the meeting the Board reviewed the action item listing and added new actions resulting from this meeting.

**Beachcomber:**

- The next Beachcomber will be the November/December issue. Inputs are required electronically no later than 5:00 PM on Wed. Nov. 17, 2010. The Beachcomber Editor is [beachcomber@herronisland.org](mailto:beachcomber@herronisland.org).

**Adjournment: Judy Greinke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Podell  
Secretary