

ORCAS HIGHLAND ASSOCIATION – BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 1, 2007

6:30PM

Orcas Airport Terminal Conference Room

Present: Bea vonTobel, President; Diane Dallas, Lee Goodwin, Dennie Carter, Treasurer, George Marks Jim Hennessey, Gil Agnew, Judy Cook

The meeting was called to order by Bea von Toel. Because the secretary was not present, no minutes were read nor approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dennie moved that the Board change the Association's fiscal year from January through December to July through June. This change would coordinate the budget with the Annual Meeting (held in April). The motion was seconded by Diane Dallas and passed unanimously.

Dennie is beginning work on a budget that will run through June 30, 2007, with additional work on a July 1-June 30, 2008 budget for consideration at the annual meeting. As of January 31, the Highlands had approximately \$35,570.00 in its treasury.

WATER REPORT:

Bea will notify residents that they can have the option of receiving water/assessment billings by e-mail rather than through the postal system. She also signed a water certificate for Rollie Sauer.

Bea agreed to confirm that the Rosario Utilities water surcharge ends in February 2007. The Highlands will keep the surcharge on the books until the annual meeting, at which time its fate will be decided.

The Otters Lair (OL) repair was discussed. The Board will research OL's payment history. If it is determined that OL residents have not paid assessments regularly, they will be responsible for 50 percent of the total OL repair fee, or \$4,746.27. If it is determined that they have paid water assessments, the costs will be adjusted accordingly. In the future, OL will be assessed equally with the Highlands residents. Carl Capdeville will present a proposal to the board concerning his remaining a contract worker or becoming an OHA employee. He spends approximately ten hours a month on the OHA water system.

ROAD REPORT:

Gil was not pleased with the job done on the rebuilding of Tall Trees Trail because the gravel is too loose, possibly the result of too little oil and too large gravel being used by the contractor. He is getting a bid from a company named Doolittle, out of Bellevue, to do the chipseal work on Discovery Way this summer together with dirt work estimates from Island Excavating and Orcas Excavating.

LEGAL ISSUES:

Nothing has transpired with the John White dispute. George moved that we post the boundary of the common areas as OHA common property with a simple sign. Jim seconded the motion. It was carried unanimously.

MAP UPDATE:

Jim reported that we have an opportunity to create a GIS map of the OHA, including the water lines, telephone lines and other utilities. Bellingham Technical Institute students are seeking such projects. He will follow up on it.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER;

Burning at the pumphouse – Bea announced that we have a respectable amount of green waste in the new burnpile area. She plans to burn it on February 3 or 4.

The Spring workday was set for Saturday, April 28, 2007

The Annual Meeting was scheduled for Saturday, April 21, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Leraas Cook
Acting Secretary