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Report from the manager

Thank You

I would like to thank Scott Simmons and his Boy Scout Group for cleaning up the beaches on the island.

Liens

The office has sent out letters to 53 property owners who owe money to the community for past due assessments, special assessments and the RO special assessment. We are compiling another list for property owners who owe money to the community for past due invoices. If payments are not received within 30 days of receipt of the letter the community will file a lien and file small claim action against the property owner.

Elsie M II

A REMINDER THAT THE ELSIE-M WILL BE OUT OF COMMISSION BEGINNING DECEMBER 1, 2002 FOR 4 TO 6 WEEKS. The new deck house will be installed during this time.

Cell Phone Site

The community is looking into a cell phone site on the island using one of the existing water tanks on the island. Towerlink America would be responsible for the permitting, design and construction of the tower. The lease agreement will make clear that the primary purpose of the water tower is water storage and repair of the tanks. The community reserves the right to approve or disapprove the proposed equipment. There is no expense or financial risk to the community. The carriers pay up to \$2000.00 per month for the use of the water tower. The community will receive 63%, Towerlinks 33%, the National Rural Water Association 1.5%, and Evergreen Rural Water Association 2.5%. The community is a member of Evergreen Rural Water Association.

Stealing in the Marina

There have been 2 car batteries and 1 steering column stolen out of vehicles parked in the marina over the past month. These vehicles were not junk. A recommendation has been made to purchase and install surveillance cameras in the marina.

RO System Update

The RO System is on schedule except for the motor control system and the equipment. The new expected delivery date is November 1, 2002. The remainder of the project should be completed by then. We still expect to be testing the system towards the end of November of this year.

Water

With property owners closing up the homes for the winter everyone is reminded to turn their water off at the meter when you leave. If you forget please call the office and someone will turn it off for you.

Turn your water off at the meter when you leave the Island

Board meeting minutes

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, October 9th, 2002 at the Everett Elks. Board Vice-President Bob Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All Board members were present except Larry Petersen.

Minutes: A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes from the September meeting as printed in the View Point.

Treasurer's report: Linda Ebner presented the Treasurers report. The report was accepted as presented.

Golf: George Alecci announced that as the newly assigned trustee overseeing golf, his first tasks would be to become familiar with the greens keeper and the state of the golf course in general.

Vessels: Merrill Balanag and Linda Ebner, the co-trustees overseeing vessels gave Ken Baxter the floor to report that the Holiday passed it's annual Coast Guard inspection with NO violations. He also reported that the wheelhouse for the Elsie M II is essentially ready for the installation to take place in December. Everyone is reminded that the Elsie M II will not be available from December 1st until the work is completed. This will take one to two months. There will not be a community run in December and probably January as well because of this work.

Maintenance/Equipment: Bob Cook had no new news to report on maintenance.

Marina: Charlotte Maulsby noted that Jim Brandon would be installing two new electrical boxes on Dock in the near future.

Water: Melody Smith related that the pump on well #5 was replaced at a cost of \$2,850. She reported that the RO system is still on schedule. She also pointed out the installation of the holding tank purchased by the Parking Lot committee. It will collect run-off water that can be used to wash cars and water plants in the Marina.

Old Business: Linda Ebner reported that the access road was ready for inspection by the county. The only remaining work is to plant 143 trees (alder and maples) along the bulkhead. It is planned to collect the trees from volunteered lots and will be planted by volunteer help. The cost to the Community for completing the project so far is \$36,040.65. In addition to these costs, the Division H property owners have spent around \$15,000 on engineering and legal assistance for the project as well.

The Board made a motion to destroy the ballots from the trustee election. The motion was passed.

New Business: The Island is looking at a potential revenue source of allowing Tower Link to install cell phone tower on one of the water tanks. The income could be around \$1,200 per month with no costs to the community.

The insurance adjuster visited the island relating to an incident where a dump truck landed in the water while it was unloading. She is still looking into the liability issue at this time.

Announcements: The Board announced the new Officer positions on the board. They are as follows Larry Petersen-President, Bob Cook-Vice-President, Merrill Balanag-Secretary, and Linda Ebner-Treasurer. The trustees overseeing areas of management are George Alecci-Golf, Bob Cook-Maintenance, Merrill Balanag & Linda Ebner-Vessels, Charlotte Maulsby-Marina, Melody Smith-Water.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Merrill Balanag, Secretary

Your point of view

To Our FRIENDS and NEIGHBORS

All of us in Division H would like to thank those members of the Board, Management and the Community who worked so hard to solve the access road problem. A Special THANK YOU is due Ke Baxter for all his tireless work. We Really appreciate you.

Many of us in the Community were shocked and scared when we read in the Viewpoint that the project would cost in the excess of \$560,000. How nice to know that, in fact, it was a small fraction of that. It should remind us not to always believe what you read or hear!

Many of you may be unaware that once your friends and neighbors in Div H were allowed to become

involved in the project by the Board President last fall (after being excluded for nearly 2 years), we were able to secure a commitment for a permit from the County within 6 weeks! It proves what we are capable of as a community when we work together. All owners within Div H (with only 1 exception) even though not legally liable have donated to a voluntary fund and contributed over \$15,000 so far to the project. Additionally, countless hours and days of volunteer labor by so many were gladly donated toward a successful completion.

There are bound to be other issues in the future that require a collective solution, but by definition that is the meaning of COMMUNITY

Thank you again.

Your FRIENDS and NEIGHBORS

Photos Wanted

In the process of creating the Memory/History of Hat Island, I find that I need many pictures of the Island in various stages of its development. I need pictures of the original "Founding Fathers" and the marina in its stages of development. I would prefer negatives, but we can use photographic prints. Would you please help? You can leave items at the office on the island or you can mail them to me at 1740 N E 92nd St, Seattle WA 98115. I will return all items you loan me.

Thank you

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