

APPROVED Minutes for the HICA Annual Community Meeting on Sept 15, 2018 held at the Hat Island Yacht Club respectfully submitted by HICA Trustee Darla Younce

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Holte at 10:30 a.m.

President's Comments

Scott Holte was pleased to announce our new Island Manager is Mike McCarthy. We had outstanding candidates and the final three made it a difficult decision. Mike's start date will be October 1st 2018 and Sandy will work with Mike on the transition.

On Thursday September 13th several Board members along with Sandy, Duan, and Mike McCarthy met with eCondoServices in Bellevue. As of that date it has been a little rocky of a transition and it's clear that there is a learning curve for eCondo and the uniqueness of HICA. But, it was an excellent meeting we had a lengthy agenda and thorough discussions with a good action plan.

We were all impressed with the folks at eCondo and they want this to work as much as we do. Both groups appreciate and acknowledge the importance of face to face meetings and will schedule another one the first week in October.

Scott Holte added his final comments as president with an emphasis on final because a new slate of officers will be elected in executive session.

During the past three years as President I've been blessed by outstanding people: the board, the staff, community members and other volunteers. And, particularly blessed with three incredible people: Sandy, Mike Immel and Karen Conner. While on the board Sandy leaped in as a volunteer unpaid into the role as intern Island Manager and it became clear if she wanted the job she was the person who could fill that role. From my perspective, Sandy and Mike in those hectic times saved the island. Mike has put in countless hours in the office working and helping with the audit and financial reports. He also has worked hard every year on the budget. Whoever is elected Treasurer has huge shoes to fill.

Karen has also worked tirelessly every year on the budget and as Vice President she has been my sounding board. As a whole, she has been our "check valve", she never misses a detail and she remembers everything. And, she uses that and more to offer a comment or alternative to actions we've had to take, 95% of the time she has been correct and that for a board has been invaluable. Just like Mike, our new V.P. has big shoes to fill.

Thank you all three, I will miss you.

Election Results:

There are two vacancies (Previously held by Karen Conner and Mike Imme) the results are as follows:

- Paula Bafaro 77 votes
- Kurt Kassahn 105 votes
- Tammy Masson 141 votes
- Gary Duffner 3 votes

Brent Hackney 3 votes

We want to thank all the candidates involved and running for these board positions.

Community Input

Linda Ebner A15 – What is happening with the 2015 – 2016 Audit? Mike Immel reported that Duan is working over time getting information out of AcPac to answer approximately 20 questions remaining on the audit.

Barbara Harris M39 – Requested that the Board consider extending the Saturday ferry services at 9:00 and 11:00 in Sept and Oct. we have to register our ferry schedule each year with the Department of Transportation and we've had to adjust our schedule to work with Anthony's. This led to the discussion about the Port of Everett, Hat Express will move in front of Anthony's beginning October 11th and we were given 45 parking slots at \$540.00 per year. The remainder of this year will be prorated. We are currently using 22 parking slots so the Board will be purchasing the remaining slots so we don't lose them. This is a three year agreement starting in 2019.

John Holte G29 – Inquired about Langley plans for daily ferry service. The discussion led to infrastructure, parking in Langley and coordination with POE, the city of Everett, transportation and Federal funding through Langley. This is a long way off but the parties involved are hopeful.

Kim Gleason – Stated that the POE has security constantly cruising through the parking lots. And she also asked to have the HICA website include the committee chairs contact information. This would make it easier for people to contact the correct person when volunteering.

Sharron Meadows - asked about parking and how are the bills/invoices going to be handled? Sandy said that instructions will be sent to the community via email.

George Harmon – Asked about the annual community meeting structure and should there be more of them in the Spring etc. There is a plan for a potential 2019 strategy meeting.

Linda Ebner A15 – Wished that there was more HICA help for the HI Yacht Club when paying for Community events. (comment: Does the YC want to give up profit or just protect against loss?) **Ginger Harmon** mentioned a guarantee if losses are incurred. This could be done by a vote to help with Labor Day event support or other event support.

Bette Near – Proposed a special social committee for island events, like carnivals these events could be used to raise money for repairs not covered in the budget.

Kim Gleason asked about the status of the speed bumps. The Board is currently in discussion about this issue.

Scott Wilson thanked Dennis Dearing for installing a “power strip” to the ice machine so we can turn it off during meeting times to better hear meetings.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:26 a.m.