

**HSIA BOARD MEETING  
THE KEY SCHOOL  
August 27, 2015**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Penn, Kathy McFadden, Jerry Lichtenberg, Bill Anderson, Mark Carroll, Suzanne Martin, Steve Vanderbosch, Ray Sullivan, Lori Nichols-Hogbin (Absent: Brooke George, Helene Raven)

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:** Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg

**GUESTS:** Wayne Martin, James MacFetrich, Kate Penn

Mike Penn called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Quorum present.

**MINUTES:** Steve Vanderbosch moved to approve the July Board meeting minutes. Mark Carroll seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Suzanne Martin reported that we have \$352,143.59 in the Operating Account and \$32,347.21 in the Special Tax Account, for a total of \$384,490.80.

**BUILDING PERMITS:** Bill Anderson mentioned that many residents are getting solar panels. Residents are unaware they need to get a permit for the solar panels. Bill has been working with the companies installing the panels to issue building permits.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:** Jean Somers mentioned that we are in the process of advertising for a new *Sea Breeze* editor. Jean also wanted new board members to know that some of our Recreation and Entertainment events are alcohol-free events. The recent Community Picnic was an alcohol-free event. Moving forward, the Board requested that we advertise in the *Sea Breeze* when an event is BYOB or alcohol-free.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** Mike Penn reported on the following:

1. Mike met with Steve Schuh and Ron George to discuss the sober house on Huse Drive. Very little can be done at this point, except to attempt to limit the transient renters. It is at the County level to legislate how many people can be in the house and how long they can rent. There is no record of this house being a “sober house.”
2. HSIA is hosting a crab feast at the beach on September 27. Questions and answers followed.
3. Joanne Brew, Community Center Co-Chair, has been in touch with the County Special Tax Department to see if we can use Special Tax money to build a community center. The County’s Legal Department is looking into this.

**BEACH:** Kate Penn reported on the following:

1. ESA volunteers, in collaboration with South River Federation, wrapped up the swale outfall. This completes the shoreline stabilization.

2. Kate ordered a replacement park bench which is being donated by the Garden Club. Kate also ordered a bench swing to replace the old swing located near the walking bridge connecting the east and west beach walkway.
3. Kate presented revised Beach Rules (attached). **Ray Sullivan moved to approve the revised Beach Rules as presented. Kathy McFadden seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

**PIERS & HARBOR:** Steve Vanderbosch reported that the marina has met revenue targets. Three realtors have recently contacted HSIA to inquire about slip availability. Last month, the Board approved speed bumps. The speed bumps are ready to be installed. Forty curb stops have been installed along the bulkhead area. The Slips Committee has rented another slip @50% of the cost. A few slips are still open.

**POOL:** Brooke George is not present. Mike Penn reported that the pool pump is replaced. Everything is good.

**WELCOME COMMITTEE:** Kathy McFadden reported that welcome bags have been delivered to four new residents last month.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Heroin needles are appearing frequently throughout our neighborhood. Mike Penn spoke to Anne Arundel County police about this issue. The police assured Mike that this issue is not exclusive to Hillsmere, but unfortunately is throughout the County. Mac, our Blueguard Security Officer, calls the police whenever a needle is found. Mac spoke to the County police narcotics department. The police mentioned they will come to our community more often. Discussion on alternatives like more security patrols, motion sensor lights, or cameras. Mike Penn will get in touch with the County narcotics department to see if cameras help as a deterrent.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Steve Vanderbosch spoke about Dove Lane. The Board has approved Key School to use the property on Dove Lane for educational purposes. Key School maintains the property, but HSIA owns it. Mike Penn will be signing a letter stating this fact to be sent to Key School.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers  
Administrator