

**HSIA BOARD MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
September 29, 2016**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Penn, Gene Gross, Ray Sullivan, Steve Vanderbosch, Brooke George, Lindsay Abruzzo, Jerry Lichtenberg, Lori Nichols Hogbin, Kathy McFadden

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg, Kellyann Pavkov

GUESTS: Kevin Green, Paul Barnes, Marilyn Carpenter, Carolyn Kilborn, Suzanne Gull, Tracy Powelson, Bob Rude, Katherine Evans, Spurgeon Eismeier, Sr.

Mike Penn called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Quorum present.

MINUTES: Kathy McFadden moved to approve the August Board meeting minutes. Jerry Lichtenberg seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Gene Gross reported that we have \$437,998.82 in the Operating Account, \$75,384.53 in the Special Tax Account, for a total of \$513,383.35. The Budget Committee met again in September and Gene passed out a proposed FY2018 budget. Please look over the budget and contact Gene with questions. The Budget Committee will have a final budget at the October Board meeting. The Committee proposes to keep the Special Tax rate the same or less as FY2017. Gene took questions from the Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Jean Somers reported that the Pig Roast and Marina Dedication to Bill Anderson is scheduled for Saturday, October 8, from 4-7 pm.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Mike Penn mentioned that a kickball game between Hillsmere and Black Walnut Cove is tentatively scheduled for October 23 at 4 pm at Pall Park. Lori Nichols Hogbin is trying to get confirmation on the kickball game. Mike Penn introduced Bob Rude. Bob is working with the Anne Arundel Community Cat Coalition to offer free spay and neuter services for Hillsmere cats. Carolyn Kilborn is the Hillsmere resident that is working with the Cat Coalition. A kickoff will be Saturday, October 8, at The Key School Barn off of Carroll Drive, at 11 am.

POOL: Brooke George reported that the Pool Committee is making the following recommendations for Key Camp and Black Walnut Cove for 2018.

- **Black Walnut Cove**
 1. Cap on BWC memberships
 2. Deadline on sign up is May 1st
 3. Not eligible for early sign up incentives
 4. Agreement reviewed every year
 5. Price increases as follows: Family -\$600; Adult - \$275; Youth - \$150
 6. \$50 surcharge remains to cover special tax and HSIA contribution paid by Hillsmere members.

Brooke George moved the Board approve the recommended changes to the Black Walnut Cove agreement, along with the price increases. Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.

- **Key Camp/Swim Club:** Based on the Pool Committees research of pool operating expenses, the Pool Committee determines the cost of the pool to be \$112 per hour for pool operation and management. The Pool Committee has determined that \$50 per hour is a fair price for the Key School Camp and Swim Club. The Pool Committee recommends increasing the price for Key Camp & Swim Club to \$6000 for the season.

BEACH: Marilyn Carpenter mentioned that Mac purchased a “lost & found” box for the beach. Tommy Grierson trimmed weeds. The replacement Anderson swing has been ordered. Marilyn held a Beach Committee meeting and the Committee prioritized items, as follows: #1, drainage; #2 replace damaged benches; #3 rebuilding beach walkway; #4 beach erosion at cement stairway. Marilyn discussed the drainage area between the large pavilion and large playground. **Brooke George moved the Board approve NTE \$2000 for Carl Corse to conduct a site analysis and prepare a construction plan for the drainage area at the beach. Lori Nichols Hogbin seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.** Marilyn Carpenter has been acting as the Interim Beach Chair. Mike Penn appoints Marilyn Carpenter as Beach Chair.

PIERS & HARBOR: Steve Vanderbosch reported that, on the recommendation of the Piers & Harbor Committee, the Board approved renaming the Hillsmere marina to the Bill Anderson Hillsmere Shores Marina. But, Sandy Anderson opposed the renaming. **Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board rescind its prior action in naming the Marina “The Bill Anderson Hillsmere Shores Community Marina” and moves the Board dedicate the Marina to Bill Anderson for 46 years of service to the community, with a dedication ceremony to be held at the community pig roast; and the Board approves the expenditure of \$350 for the fabrication and installation of a sign to be added to the Marina sign reading: “Dedicated to Bill Anderson for 46 Years of Service to the Community”.** Ray Sullivan seconded the motion. **Vote taken – unanimously approved.** Steve reported that power washing is done and lights are repaired. Steve has plans to clear the embankment. The County approved to not pull out ivy, but to spray it and then replant. Thirty hose hangers are installed. Steve met with the County on the paving and will get paving scheduled. Electrical repairs have been made. Bamboo and overhanging branches at the Boat Park have been removed. **Steve Vanderbosch moved the Board approve the expenditure of P&H funds NTE \$2,500 for plumbing repairs and improvements at the Marina, to include replacing rusted and broken faucets and handles, and the installation of additional cut-off valves in the fresh water system. Kathy McFadden seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.** Steve mentioned that P&H is looking at the current security camera system and also looking into the purchase and installation of a flagpole at the Marina to be dedicated to Bill Shuman.

ENVIRONMENTAL: Kevin Green reported on the concept design for work to be completed along Harbor Drive. Kevin will get in touch with Joanne Brew to make sure the Community Center Committee is aware of work to be done along Harbor Drive. The Crab Feast was a zero waste event. We can try to do the same for the Pig Roast.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Marc Morlock and Paul Barnes reported on the Community Center. The Board asked the Committee to present three different options; small, medium and large. The Committee reported that it is a waste of time and money to use the existing house and presented a plan for a 3200 square foot finished 2nd floor and unfinished basement, porches and a deck, meeting room, warming kitchen, three bathrooms and office area. Spurge Eismeier presented the plans. Spurge was able to get the County to agree to not go through a subdivision process. Stormwater management is critical and could be very expensive. The building will need to be sprinkler equipped. The next step will be to get a preliminary building plan and site plan. Will need to pay a retainer fee. Also should hire an attorney to review our current tax status and see if we could be changed to non-profit status. The Community Center Committee requests a Special HSIA meeting be scheduled to discuss further.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator