

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
May 9, 2013**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Christian Elkington, Kathy McFadden, Ray Sullivan, Bill Anderson, Helene Raven, Nancy Fulton, Noel Gasparin (Absent: TJ Hurlburt, Shannon Frece, Perry Geib, Tracy Stanley)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg

GUESTS: Joy Phillips, Paul Craley, Fred Sandford, Linda Elkington, John O'Neill, Blanche O'Neill, Colleen O'Connell Mitchell, Jeri Singleton, Michael Gray, Sandra Anderson

Christian Elkington called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. No quorum present.

Minutes from the March General meeting were accepted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Christian Elkington reported on the following:

1. The Restoration and Protection Act passed on May 1. Four amendments are pending.
2. The Little Free Library has come to the Hillsmere Beach. Emily Auerswald kindly started our Little Free Library, a free standing box located at the Hillsmere Beach, where residents can share books. We would like to install two more Little Free Libraries...one at the sandspit and one at the rain garden path located at the pool.
3. Mosquito control information will be in the next Sea Breeze. A form is provided if a resident wishes to opt out of mosquito control. Larvae control is very effective. Please send an email to propertymanager@hillsmershores.net if you have low lying areas and are willing to have larvae control on your property.
4. There was a discussion at the last Board and General meetings about allowing Black Walnut Cove residents to join the Hillsmere pool. The agreement will happen for one year. Black Walnut Cove residents will pay the same fees as Hillsmere residents, along with a \$16 administrative fee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nancy Fulton reported that as of March 31, we have approximately \$400K in the Operating Account and approximately \$170K in the Special Tax Account for a total of approximately \$570K. Pool membership is down. We are inviting Black Walnut Cove residents to join the pool. The loan for the marina pier renovation is going well. There was a question from the floor about the placement of the money from the sale of the beach strip. Christian Elkington responded that the money is not in an interest bearing account at this time. It is possibly seed money for a community center.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT: Christian Elkington reported that he has obtained estimates to remove problem trees that continuously get damaged in storms. Six trees were removed from the Boat Park. We are removing overgrown vegetation at the pool area. We are purchasing 20 more trees for Hillsmere; 18 for the pool property.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS: None

WELCOMING COMMITTEE: Kathy McFadden reported that 20 homes have been welcomed in the last six to eight months. More welcome bags are ready to hand out.

KEY SCHOOL TRAFFIC: John O'Neill and Tom Schwallenberg had concerns about Key School traffic. Christian responded that we are in communication with Key School about traffic situations. HSIA has been given a phone number to be in immediate communication with Key School if an incident occurs. Police are patrolling during hours when Key School parents are coming and going from our community. On the first patrol, the police pulled over seven cars; all were Hillsmere residents, not Key School parents.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator