

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
January 12, 2017**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ray Sullivan, Steve Vanderbosch, Gene Gross.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg, Kellyann Pavkov

GUESTS: Karen Elliott, Vijay Ramraj, Rick Elliott, Dan Hoadley, Phil Jones, Jeri Singleton, Thomas Schwallenberg, Sandra Anderson, Marie Gilbert, Wayne Martin, James W. MacFetrich, Colleen Mitchell

Gene Gross called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. No quorum present.

MINUTES: Minutes from the November 2016 General Meeting were accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gene Gross reported that as of November 30, 2016, we have \$406,363.11 in the Operating Account; \$223,367.10 in the Special Tax Account; for a total of \$629,730.21. Gene reported that the budgets were presented in November 2016, and printed in the December Sea Breeze and sent to every property owner by postal mail. A new line item has been established – Reserved Funds for Future Use. Marie Gilbert asked the question “how does the Community Clubhouse fit into the budget?” The December Sea Breeze mentioned that \$15,000 has been approved for the Community Clubhouse.

Discussion continued regarding the Community Clubhouse. Steve Vanderbosch mentioned that \$15,000 is the only amount approved to date. A survey was sent out to property owners to determine interest in a Community Clubhouse. The Board approved \$15,000 for two design renderings and preliminary engineering work. The Board is also investigating HSIA's tax status to see if HSIA can become tax exempt. Legal expenses will probably be incurred to determine this. There are substantial savings in fees for a Community Clubhouse if we are non-profit. Hillsmere lost its non-profit status because our beach and amenities are not open to the Annapolis community at-large.

Marie Gilbert asked if after the \$15,000 is spent, will the Board go out to the community with its findings and for a vote? Steve Vanderbosch answered that yes, the Board will go out to the community for a yes or no vote on the Community Clubhouse.

Tom Schwallenberg mentioned that more detailed information and line items for Special Tax need to be presented to the community. Gene Gross answered that he will do this in the future.

BLUEGUARD REPORT: Mac, our Blueguard Security Officer, reported that there has been some vandalism at the beach, specifically an ash can has been smashed; the bridge over the swale has had two treads smashed, benches have slats broken, the port-a-pottie cover got broken and graffiti vandalism.

PIERS & HARBOR: Steve Vanderbosch reported that all is well at the marina. A volunteer group placed 21 ice eaters at the marina. The ice eaters ran all week with no problems. There has been graffiti vandalism at the marina. There was also some vandalism at the Thanksgiving

timeframe where 3 to 4 dozen small rocks were moved from the jetty to the water. This left gaps in the jetty and we will probably need to get a contractor to move large rocks back in place. Piers & Harbor volunteers moved 3 or 4 dozen rocks back in place. The Marina Committee is looking into enhancing the security camera system at the sandspit. Piers & Harbor is beginning to prepare for next boating season. The slip wait list has been split into active and inactive lists. The active list has 20 people on it. The status of the Piers & Harbor loan is \$115,000 after the last payment. The first 80 feet of the marina driveway has been repaired by the County.

BEACH: Jeri Singleton reported for Marilyn Carpenter on the following:

- Holly Garcia is opening the gate in the am
- The Beach Committee is investigating a new playground climbing structure
- Shower fasteners are replaced, painting is done
- In search of large boulders to be installed for feet washing at the shower area
- RFP for improving drainage area between the large playground and the large pavilion and for replacing the walkway has been sent to contractors
- Incidents of vandalism at the beach

Dan Hoadley, a resident on Carroll Drive, is working with the Beach Committee to replace the walkway and improve the drainage area between the large pavilion and the large playground. A study will be done to see if the drainage area can be repaired or needs to be replaced. The costs to take up the failed walkway, repair and re-asphalt, or install a boardwalk surface is being investigated. An RFP to three contractors has been sent and we hope to have three bids by January 31.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Jean Somers reported that Come And Get It Day is Saturday, February 25, from 10 am to 2 pm at Key School, Katharine Hall. Boat ramp keys and stickers are on order.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator