

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
January 8, 2009**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shuman, Noel Gasparin, Ray Sullivan, Bruce Walker, William Anderson, Mark Jones

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jim Schwallenberg

GUESTS: Donna Shuman, Fred Sandford, Chris Elkington, Linda Elkington, Jeri Singleton, Kevin Green, Nan Lodor

Bill Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

Minutes from the November General Meeting were distributed and accepted.

No quorum present.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker gave an overview of the current budget. We received a check from the County in the amount of \$133,200.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report. Bill Shuman introduced Brooke Doswell, the President of the Oyster Harbor Community Association. Brooke discussed the recent fire in Oyster Harbor. Two homes were totally destroyed and another severely damaged. There was a great response from the County Council and Josh Cohen. Brooke discussed concerns about lack of water to handle community fires. Many options are being looked at. Oyster Harbor is working with USDA to get grants to put in dry hydrants that connect to the Bay. Bill Anderson mentioned that Hillsmere has water holding tanks at the Key School and the pool.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Bill Shuman reported for Jean Somers that Come And Get It Day is scheduled for Saturday, February 28, from 10 am to 2pm.

SECURITY: Kevin Green reported that we have another Anne Arundel County police officer patrolling the community along with Mike Homewood. Randy is back doing some patrols.

BEACH COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

STORM WATER COMMITTEE: Ray Sullivan reported that the Stormwater Committee has been walking some of the problem areas in Hillsmere.

DUVALL CREEK DREDGING: Bruce Walker reported on the dredging of Duvall Creek. Spur workshops will probably be held in February. Spurs need to be identified for permit by March 31. Bruce is looking for pictures from the 60's 70's, and 80's to show how deep the water was in the past. The permit will be acquired between April and September and the actual dredging is scheduled for October 15, 2010. Moorings in the way of the dredging will be moved. There is a Vessel and Mooring Survey on our web site that should be completed by each individual boater that uses the waterway. HSIA may want to consider mailing the survey form to people who purchased boat ramp keys. Bill Shuman will email a request to complete the survey to the Hillsmere email list. Noted that the web site says "Attention Marina Users." This will be

changed to "Attention Boat Owners." Mark Jones suggested a sign on the message board. All info must be submitted by March 31.

PIERS & HARBORS: Mark Jones reported that all but 2 slips are rented

FY2010 BUDGET: Bruce Walker presented the proposed FY2010 budget (handouts provided). Bruce discussed some details of the budget such as a new volunteer recognition fund and the building back of the Piers & Harbor contingency fund. There is 25% decrease in Special Tax. Bill Shuman recommended reconvening to the March 12 Board Meeting because no quorum is present.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Shuman