

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
November 13, 2014**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Christian Elkington, Helene Raven, Steve Vanderbosch, Bill Anderson, Mark Carroll, Suzanne Martin, Mike Penn, Kathy McFadden, TJ Hurlburt, Noel Gasparin (Absent: Ray Sullivan)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers

GUESTS: Joan Gateau, Linda Elkington, Kevin Green, Michael Clark, Charles Metzger, Fred Sandford, Wayne Martin, Lori Nichols-Hogbin, Phil Jones, Norman Johansen, Alfred Parkinson, George Buss, Jean Koehler, Stacy Corse, Carl Corse, Jerry Lichtenberg, Sandy Anderson, Royce Bradshaw, Thomas Schwallenberg, Michael Gray, Rosemary Foltis, Colleen Mitchell, Nuala O'Leary, Angie Carroll, Jeri Singleton, Paulette Schwallenberg, Brooke George, James W. MacFetrich, Joyce Gomoljak

Christian Elkington called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm. Quorum present.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Suzanne Martin reported that as of September 30, we have \$232,126.11 in the Operating account, \$3,832.89 in the Special Tax fund, for a total of \$235,959.00.

NOMINATIONS CHAIR: Ted Shepherd, Nominations Chair, asked if there were any nominations for HSIA Officers from the floor. No nominations from the floor were presented. Ted Shepherd introduced the four candidates running for office: Mike Penn for President, Jerry Lichtenberg for Vice President, Suzanne Martin for Treasurer, and Kathy McFadden for Secretary. All candidates spoke briefly. **Wayne Martin motioned to close the nominations. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

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

1. **Forced Main Project** -- Christian Elkington attended a meeting on October 22 where the County provided a thorough presentation on the forced main project. This project will run pipe from the Mayo Treatment Plant to the Annapolis Treatment Plant. The material in the pipe will be treated, it is not raw sewage. The pipe will go under the South River and Quiet Waters Park, under Hillsmere Drive, behind the Library and shopping center, to the Treatment Plant.
2. **DPW Generators** – Christian Elkington reported that Department of Public Works is replacing all generators throughout Hillsmere. The project should be done in August 2015. This project may be fairly disruptive and one lane will need to close while work is in progress.
3. **New Rain Garden** – Christian Elkington reported that a new rain garden is being installed at the community center. Debra Lambert is spear-heading the project and has three grants to be used for the project. Volunteers are needed to help plant 136 plants on November 15.
4. We are borrowing money from the Operating Account to pay for Special Tax until our first Special Tax check is received from the County, normally in late November.

- Christian Elkington said that this is his last General Meeting as HSIA President. He wanted to thank everyone that has helped him over the last few years. A lot of projects have been accomplished.

PIERS & HARBOR: Steve Vanderbosch reported that Piers & Harbor continues to do well. We are accelerating payments on our Piers & Harbor loan. Boats are being hauled out of slips for the winter. Water and pumpout will be shut down. The Committee is working on proposals for slip fees; a 3% increase is being proposed. Proposed changes to marina rules and regulations will be presented to the Board at the next Board meeting.

POOL: Linda Elkington reported that the pool closed, but action is still happening. The Board approved a contract with Continental Pools for the 2015 season and also approved a contract to replace the filter system.

PROERTY MANAGEMENT: Christian Elkington reported that a security system and camera system has been installed at the community center.

WELCOMING: Kathy McFadden invited anyone that knows of a new resident to please contact her. The more information she receives on new residents, the better.

ELECTION RESULTS: At this time, Ted Shepherd and committee was finished counting ballots and Ted announced the following election results:

President	Mike Penn	89 votes
	Ray Sullivan	1 vote
	Phil Jones	1 vote
	Wayne Martin	1 vote
Vice President	Jerry Lichtenberg	87 votes
	Phil Jones	1 vote
	Tom Schwallenberg	1 vote
	John O'Neill	1 vote
Treasurer	Suzanne Martin	90 votes
	Liz Folsom	1 vote
Secretary	Kathy McFadden	92 votes

OLD BUSINESS: Sandy Anderson motioned that the new incoming officers and board members, make available and public to the entire board and community, copies and information regarding bids going forward on the resolution of the beach. Paulette Schwallenberg seconded the motion. Much discussion. Vote taken – unanimously approved. Christian Elkington said that the general feeling of the Board is that the vegetation has not taken hold. The area is being evaluated. The Board has voted to actively receive recommendations. Christian Elkington motioned the Board reconsider the current policy that the Beach Committee reevaluate and make recommendations to the Board regarding the area in question. Vote taken – 14 approved; 15 opposed; motion denied.

Carl Corse, engineer and Hillsmere resident, came forward to answer the question “why was the retaining wall taken out, why was rip rap not put in, and why was planting put in instead?” Carl said that the wall was deteriorating and needed to be removed. Grasses and vegetation growing in the area could not be destroyed. All parties involved felt that a stabilization of plants would be the best course of action to protect the area. The area is under evaluation until the Spring. No stabilization is off the table as of now. Carl continued to take questions from the floor.

NEW BUSINESS: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator