

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
September 11, 2008**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shuman, Christina Friday, Ray Sullivan, Bruce Walker, Noel Gasparin, Natalie Lobe, Sue Miller, Bill Anderson, Jennifer Adams, Kate Penn, Mark Jones

GUESTS: Frank Groblewski, Mike Ostrow, Phil Jones, Dawn Miller, Paul Miller, Chris Elkington, Linda Elkington, Donna Shuman, Bernadette Singer, Mary Teresa Gray, Kristen Kaspro, Colleen P. Mitchell, Jacqueline Biess, Angie Carroll, George Miller, Ingrid Tepelmann, Jeri Singleton, Julie Devlin, Douglas Jones, Ken Piel, Jack McPartland, Nan Lodor, Danielle Brooks, Nuala O'Leary, Thomas Costes

Bill Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes from the July General Meeting were distributed and accepted.

Bill Shuman introduced Sam Shropshire. Sam asked for a few moments of silence out of respect for 9/11.

KEY SCHOOL BOND ISSUE: Bill Shuman introduced Ken Piel, representative from Key School, who discussed the benefits of Key School to Annapolis. Ken explained why Key School went to the City of Annapolis to request bond for construction at Key School. The bond is not a means to annexation into the City. The construction is for renovations, but not for expansion of student population. The number of students at Key School is capped at 728. It was \$100,000 cheaper to go through the City for funding than the County.

TRAFFIC: Sam Shropshire discussed speeding on Bay Ridge Road. Discussion also about having a flashing warning signal on Bay Ridge Road that tells you what speed you are going. Also discussed drug issue in the area. Ken will be working on drug prevention.

COUNTY RECYCLING: Bill Shuman introduced Jeannie, an Anne Arundel County recycling Specialist, to discuss the County Recycling Program. Jeannie explained the Recycling Report Card and what materials you can and can't recycle (handouts provided). The County has a web site with more information at recyclemoreoften.com. Jeannie will also be at our Dumpster Days with recycle containers to give out to residents. 80% of homes in the County recycle.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker reported that all accounts look good and gave an overview with handouts. We paid cash for the Piers & Harbor projects. Hoping that marina maintenance will be very low this year. Substantial reduction in debt for Piers & Harbors and rebuilding contingency fund in next 5 years.

BEACH COMMITTEE: Kate Penn thanked the Elkingtons for beach cleanup. Kate gave an update on beach committee projects. The study of shoreline conditions is ongoing. Dealing with storm water drainage issues. Kate discussed the proposed parking lot changes (handout). Residents can provide feedback on the web site forum. Fall cleanup project is scheduled for Saturday, October 11 in the afternoon before the beach social happy hour.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS: Bill Shuman presented the following volunteers with a Hillsmere Volunteer tee shirt: Linda Elkington, Phil Jones, and Mike Penn. Bill mentioned the

Volunteer Recognition Program and asked for volunteers to help with a Volunteer Banquet for sometime in the future.

PIERS & HARBOR: Mark Jones reported that the piers & harbors building projects are all complete. There are some slips available and the committee is in the process of making offers to residents on the wait list. Winter slips are available also. If you use the boat ramp, please close the gate. If you drive or walk by and see the gate open, please be a good neighbor and lock the gate. Not planning to get water for other piers. Gate opener is working well. Someone is tying crab lines to the boat in slip #57. Asking all slip holders to remove trash so that we can limit the number of trashcans at the marina.

DREDGING PROJECT: Bruce Walker reported on the Duvall Creek Dredging Project (handout attached). This project is #6 on the County list, but the largest project. Bruce discussed the path of the dredging project. If a landowner wants to have a spur off of the Duvall Creek Channel, that spur needs to be included in the project formulation. HSIA is looking for someone to champion this project for Hillsmere by following course of action and attending meetings. Mark Jones mentioned he has a liaison for the marina. Bruce will be the contact for now.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Shuman