

**HSIA BOARD MEETING  
THE KEY SCHOOL  
October 30, 2008**

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:** Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg

**GUESTS:** Chris Elkington, Linda Elkington, Phil Jones, Jeri Singleton, Mary Teresa Gray

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

Minutes from the September Board Meeting were accepted as amended.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bruce Walker reported on the three funds as follows:

1. **General Fund:** Property tax on the rental home jumped significantly to \$4,153 – roughly \$450 over our current budget. Tee shirts/tote bags expenses YTD are \$950 – there is no budget for this expense. Income Tax ran \$1656 under budget as we made so little on the rental house last fiscal year.
2. **Pier & Harbor:** Running significantly under revenue plan for ramp keys (\$1015 under plan).
3. **Special Tax:** Nothing to note.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Bill Shuman reported that the Court of Special Appeals rendered a decision against us on the Beach Strip Law Suit. We could file a writ to request the Court of Appeals to look at the ruling. The decision gave plaintiffs ownership to the high water mark. The Good Neighbor Committee run by Becky Lund has helped a few people in Hillsmere and that has created a ripple affect – people being helped want to help others in return. We are looking into the property at 151 E. Bay View Drive. There are reports of people living in a trailer on the property, the house is ripped apart and there is an allegation of drug use. Bill has been in touch with the County and County agencies will follow up on this situation.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Jean Somers reported that the Anne Arundel Medical Center Blood Drive at the beach was a success with 45 participants. The AAMC would like to schedule future blood drives. Jean recommended doing 3 per year and will be in touch with the AAMC coordinator. Due to a scheduling conflict at the library, Come And Get It Day is scheduled at Key School on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm. The November *Sea Breeze* is at the printer and due to be out next week. The ballot for election of officers is included.

**BEACH:** Kate Penn is working on proposals for the shoreline study. Has received two and is waiting for a 3<sup>rd</sup> proposal. Improvements to the parking lot and fence can be allocated after funding is set for the shoreline study because that is the first priority. The last storm filled in the deep holes on the beach that were a result of a previous storm.

**SECURITY:** Bill Shuman reported for Kevin Green that Randy Southers will be working security patrol Halloween night. Nothing new to report on crimes in Hillsmere.

**MARINA:** Mark Jones reported that two broken electrical fixtures at the sandspit are fixed. Winterizing the plumbing system in November. A split in the valve in a pipe has a drain now. Billing info is ready for new slip renters and we have 3 people to refund. All but one slip is rented. Looking at obtaining a Hillsmere burgee. A marina pig roast is being planned for the spring.

**SURVEY:** Mary Teresa Gray reported on question #110 (see attached).

**PROPERTY:** Nothing to report.

**ANNAPOLIS NECK PENINSULA FEDERATION:** Nothing to report.

**STORM WATER MANAGEMENT:** Ray Sullivan reported that a meeting is being planned for next month.

**FY2010 BUDGET:** Bruce Walker mentioned three parts of presenting the FY2010 budget. They are: 1) Approve the three budgets for presentation at the November general meeting; 2) Review potential additions to the Special Tax; 3) Discuss the police officer for hire.

1. Bruce Walker presented the proposed FY2010 General Fund budget (copy attached). **Bruce Walker motioned the board approve, for presentation at the November General Meeting, the proposed FY2010 budget for the General Fund. Christina Friday seconded. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**
2. Bruce Walker presented the proposed FY2010 Piers & Harbor budget (copy attached). **Bruce Walker motioned the board approve, for presentation at the November General Meeting, the proposed FY2010 budget for Piers & Harbor. Mark Jones seconded. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**
3. Bruce Walker presented the proposed FY2010 Special Tax budget (copy attached). Discussion on the following possible options:
  - a. Replace two wooden bulkheads on the swim area (\$30K). **Bruce Walker motioned the board add \$30K to the FY2010 budget for replacing wooden bulkheads in swim area. Ray Sullivan seconded. Discussion followed. Bruce withdrew his motion. Bruce Walker motioned the board add \$30K to the FY2010 budget for repairs and improvements for beach restoration projects, subject to changes required by the County for carryover. Kate Penn seconded. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**
  - b. Bill Shuman discussed new option for Security. We can pay Anne Arundel County to hire a police officer for 40 hours a week police coverage in Hillsmere. The County takes care of all insurance. The first year the price is \$125K because we need to pay a one-time fee for the police car. This is just a one-time fee. If the car is in an accident and needs to be replaced, the County takes care of that and we don't pay anything additional. After the first year, the amount is \$105K. **Mark Jones motioned the board bring the additional police officer option to the community with a three year projection for costs. Christina Friday seconded. Discussion followed. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

**OLD BUSINESS: Bruce motioned the board does not rent community property to the resident at 607 Beach Drive (next to the Beach Drive boat ramp). Jennifer Adams seconded. Vote taken – unanimously approved. (Kate Penn and Christina Friday did not vote as they had already left the meeting).**

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers  
Administrator