

**HSIA GENERAL MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
May 8, 2008**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shuman, Bruce Walker, Sue Miller, Mark Jones, Ray Sullivan, Christina Friday, Kate Penn, Natalie Lob

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers

GUESTS: Fred Sandford, Marc Greenspan, Eddie Erber, Jeri Singleton, Wes Strotman, Linda Elkington, Chris Elkington, Phil Jones, Kevin Green, Bernadette Singer, Colleen O'Connell-Mitchell, Kathy Ballman, B. O'Neill, Chris Chiodo, Christina Chiodo

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

Minutes from the March General Meeting were distributed and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker presented the Treasurer's Report. We have \$329,960.42 in our accounts as of the end of March. The General Fund income is improving – income \$4K under plan from rental income. We have another renter at 119 Great Lake Drive. Legal fees are \$7K over budget. Piers & Harbor account all in order. Bruce recommends we pay cash for upcoming Piers & Harbor projects instead of taking out a loan. This will leave us \$75K in the P&H account. If we have a hurricane or other damaging incident, we could take out a loan at that time. Special Tax Fund Security is significantly under spent. Community Improvements also under spent. Dumpster fees are over budget.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Bill Shuman reported that tee shirts would be ordered next week. The last *Sea Breeze* asked for volunteers to help with gathering documentation regarding houses in Hillsmere with too many occupants. Anyone interested in helping can see Bill. Quiet Waters Park was closed today due to a possible suicide.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Jean Somers reported that we have 498 members to date. The May *Sea Breeze* is at the printer and will be out next week.

SECURITY: Kevin Green reported that Flagship Investigations is no longer our security company. Randy Southers has agreed to partially patrol the neighborhood along with Mike Homewood, who is a Hillsmere resident and Anne Arundel County Police Officer. Kevin will be investigating other companies. We purchased an amber, rotating light for Randy's vehicle.

BEACH: Kate Penn reported that we have a permit application for Shoreline Design to start revetment work on the east side of the beach area. MDE has requested we preserve marshland. A revised drawing is being reviewed by MDE. The web site has been updated with current beach restoration information. The Beach Committee recommends the board hire a consultant to examine our shoreline features and make recommendations specific to our needs. We will be holding informal focus groups to share thoughts and ideas during the summer. The Beach cleanup was a success. South River Federation is hosting the 6th annual Sojourn and Wade-In at our community beach on May 31st, starting with kayaking to Harness Creek.

PROPERTY: Bill Shuman reported that the rental house at 119 Great Lake Drive is rented again, with a one-year lease. We purchased a dishwasher for the rental house.

PIERS & HARBOR: Mark Jones reported on the projects at the ramps, piers and sandspit. Construction will start next week. The camera system will go in within the next two weeks. All projects should be done by mid to late June. June 13th is the Happy Hour at the beach and June 14th is the Pig Roast at the marina. Piers & Harbors will supply pig, hot dogs, and hamburgers and the Roast will start at 2:00 pm. There are nine slips open this year. Mark is looking at the top of the waiting list. All slips should be rented in 2-3 weeks.

OLD BUSINESS: Beach Strip Lawsuit hearing is on June 10.

NEW BUSINESS: Question from the floor – How is HSIA doing with communication with the Pool Association regarding their lease? Kate Penn is the HSIA Liaison with the Pool Association.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator