

## **RIIA SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 27, 2012**

**All Saints Center on Raft Island**

**7:00 PM**

**Purpose of the Meeting:** To present an update on the RIIA Bridge project and to VOTE on whether or not to proceed to Phase II of bridge replacement. Phase II will finance engineering, design, permits, loan fees, legal and project management.

**Introductions and Presentation:** Rich Swenson, RIIA President, welcomed all attending and introduced the Board Members present. He briefly reviewed the ballot that has been mailed to all Island lot owners (attached) and gave a brief history of where we are now, followed by discussion of the comparative feasibility of rebuilding the bridge vs. rehabilitating the existing bridge. The full Board has recommended that we move forward with Phase II of the bridge replacement project. There followed a question-and-answer period. Santosh Kuruvilla and Karen Rogers from Exeltech and Eric Waters from the Fire Department were present to answer questions about bridge access and load rating.

**Voting and Ballot Counting:** It was reported that those present constituted a quorum and we proceeded to the voting process. Some Members have already mailed in their ballots but will have an opportunity to change their vote selection during the meeting if they wish. Rich asked for volunteers to count the ballots in addition to the Secretary and Island Manager, Juanita Carbaugh. In total, six volunteer counters performed three preliminary tallies and one summary tally.

**Ballot Results:** The Secretary reported that of the 148 ballots submitted, there were thirty (30) NO votes and 118 YES votes. Two unmarked ballots were submitted (not counted). Phase II passed by 79.7%.

*Note: Final recount figures compiled by the Office Manager's staff the following day recorded 30 NO votes and 120 YES votes – approval margin of 80%.*

**Adjournment:** An informal meeting was proposed for the following Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, to plan how to proceed with the implementation of Phase II. The meeting was

adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Brown, Secretary

**RIIA 2012 BALLOT**  
**Phase II – Bridge Replacement Project**

**BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROPOSAL - PHASE II:** (needs two-thirds approval)

- YES, I approve:
- NO, I reject:

The plan as recommended by the Bridge Committee and the RIIA Board of Trustees to continue the process to replace Raft Island Bridge (Phase II\*). Phase II will take approximately six months and use existing Bridge Replacement Fund (BRF) monies and construction loan monies in an amount **not to exceed \$1,130,000**.

Prior to proceeding with the actual construction of the bridge (Phase III), a general membership vote will be required.

(\* Phase II work includes Engineering, Design, Permits, Loan Fees, Legal and Project Management)

If you wish to mail your ballot please mail it to:

RIIA Secretary  
C/O HOA Community Solutions  
5500 Olympic Drive H-105, #245  
Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Ballot must be received (no postmarks) by the secretary **no later than 7pm Mon, September 27, 2012.**