

RIIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President, Charlotte Crain, at All Saints Center. The Board introduced themselves. The first order of business was to fill a vacant position on the Board caused by the resignation of David Paly, Trustee, effective June 1, 2014. Linda Karle, #169, was nominated by John Rosendahl, the nomination was seconded and approved by all the Board attending. (Linda was the third candidate for a Trustee position in the recent election at RIIA's annual meeting.)

Board Attending: Charlotte Crain, President, Rich Swenson, VP, Sarah Brown, Secretary, Anne Scea, Treasurer; Trustees: Jud Morris, Mike Hirko, John Rosendahl, Jim Cushing and Linda Karle; **Absent:** Trish Burnett, Trustee .

Members Attending: Island members Tom Straub, Jim McReynolds, Doug Van Doren, Scott Wood and Mike Neil

Request to add agenda items: None.

Member's Request to Address Board: Mike Neil said he would like the Board to discuss a security issue – controlling speed on the new bridge. That item will be discussed later in the meeting during committee reports.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the April 21, 2014, Board meeting were discussed, with corrections to the escrow services paragraph, bridge walking path and insurance numbers. The minutes were approved as corrected and will be posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Anne Scea, submitted May 14th and June 14th treasurer's reports by email to Board members on those dates. She said there will be final year-end reports submitted at the close of the fiscal year—end of June. She predicted that we will be on budget or under budget with interest added. She passed out the Bridge Outlay report

Managers Report: Charlotte reviewed the May report, distributed on June 13th by Juanita Carbaugh, Island Mgr. There was discussion of brush removal which is not scheduled until July 10th. Scott Wood will try to schedule earlier and we'll ask Juanita to email residents of the removal dates. Charlotte reported that Branson (lot #197A) and Webb are paid in full. Juanita will send out the annual package to all Island members and will include information and ballots regarding a Special Meeting to determine disposition of remaining BRF funds.

Bridge: Roger Hansen, Bridge Owner Representative, forwarded his progress report to Rich Swenson, bridge liaison, who reported on the highlights:

- The bridge should be open for one-lane traffic on Monday, June 23rd .

- The Board approved change orders at the April meeting and by email for additional roadway asphalt paving, increased landscaping allowance and additional service request by Exeltech. Total cost of additional options: \$153,960.
- A water pipe has been installed which can be used for irrigation of new plants and hydro seeded areas in summer and turned off when not needed.
- Discussion was held on need for:
 1. Additional asphalt on the south side to the county road. Roger said the cost of coming out later to underlay and asphalt the south side road to Kopachuck Rd would be about \$53,000. We would have to approve and USDA would have to approve. We could do it now or later. Rich will ask Roger to verify his figures.
 2. Widening of boat ramp access road turnout at hammerhead area. Some Island members have measured the area involved and believe more space is necessary.
 3. Additional irrigation on both sides of the bridge
- Jud Morris made a motion that we approve paving the mainland side road from the bridge to Kopachuck at no more than \$7.50 sq. ft. Jim Cushing seconded. The motion passed.
- John Rosendahl made a motion that we approve widening the boat ramp access road turnout as discussed. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Jim Cushing made a motion that we approve the new irrigation system as discussed. The motion was seconded and passed.
- Rich discussed fluorescent striping of curbs at ends of bridge in order to guide drivers and others around the new curves. He will discuss with Roger.

Bridge Celebration Party: A party/picnic to celebrate the closing of the old bridge and opening of the new bridge has been set for Sunday, June 29th, from about 5:00. It will be held on the old bridge before it is demolished. The party events and particulars were outlined by Sarah Brown who heads up a committee made up of Betty Perry, BJ Hirko, Carrie Fort, RJ West, Ann Van Doren, Sue Neil and Hillary Bergren. There will be a short ribbon cutting ceremony at about 5:00 PM, complete with cannon blast and dignitaries who have been supporters of the project. A local band will be entertaining us with music. Historical documents and cars will be displayed. The Board discussed and decided that no funds from dues would be approved for expenses. Instead, we will ask for donations from attendees.

Bridge Prepayment: There was discussion of whether to allow an exception for Island members to make their entire bridge payment up front and thus be able to record that their bridge obligation was paid in full. This would be in place of monthly payments. A prior survey showed that two members are interested in prepayment. Objections included our lack of a sophisticated dues collection system, making such an exception more costly to administer and the recommendation of our auditor against it. Jim Cushing made a motion that we not allow a prepayment option. The motion was seconded and passed, with Jud Morris opposed.

Special Meeting: There was discussion of the Bridge Replacement Fund, which will have almost \$600K remaining after the bridge is complete – these funds could be used for other infrastructure projects such as roads, but first a vote would be necessary to change the purpose of the BRF Special Assessment. Our By-laws specify that a Special Meeting be called when a vote is necessary, with proper notice, and that two thirds of the voting members approve any such change. It was decided to wait for final numbers before setting a date for a meeting.

Documenting approval of previous email vote: The Board voted unanimously to approve a motion to award an additional \$25,800 to Exeltech, based on the additional engineering services provided which were discussed at the April board meeting. This vote verifies an email vote taken earlier in June.

Committee Reports:

Parks and Recreation: A chairperson is urgently needed for this committee. No report.

Roads: Scott Wood, committee chair, reported that he had 3 or 4 bids on making the road repair on Rhododendron. Two property owners and the Island will be involved. RIIA has been asked to provide up to \$2,000 to put in a culvert (catch basin). John made a motion that we agree to pay up to this amount provided the property owners pay their share. We will supplement the amount needed. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Security: Mike Neil, committee chair, led a discussion of three security problems involving the new bridge:

- Vandalism
- Bridge jumping – made easy because of the ledge beyond the railing
- Speeding on the bridge

Mike said he believes surveillance cameras could be a solution. Jim Cushing said a problem would be who would follow up and what would we be willing to do if we do identify an individual perpetrator. We should find out how Treasure Island handles this problem. Mike will discuss with Roger. We also need to know the cost of the cameras. We'll discuss at a later meeting when we have more information. Tom Straub, Island member reported that there will be signs on the new bridge of "no trespassing." We'll also need "no jumping" signs.

Emergency Preparedness: Doug Van Doren, committee chair, reported that all materials have been submitted for our annual FEMA update which will be put on the website.

There was no further business; therefore the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted, Sarah Brown, Secretary