

## **RIIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

August 18, 2014

Rich Swenson's Home

The meeting was called to order by Rich Swenson at 7:00pm and introductions made. In the interest of time, the agenda was adjusted to ensure topics needing action were first addressed.

**Board Attending:** Richard Swenson, & Charlotte Crain, Officers. Trustees: Trish Burnett, Acting Secretary, Mike Hirko, Jud Morris, Jim Cushing, Doug VanDoren & Linda Karle. Absent: Sarah Brown & Anne Scea.

**Members Attending:** Mike Neil, Tom Straub, Scott Wood, Jim McReynolds, RJ West, Lynne Morris & Lot #8.

**Request to Add Agenda Items:** Mike Hirko, tree cutting, & Jim Cushing, speeding.

### **Member's Request to Address the Board:**

Mike Hirko stated that he had lost some of his view due to three trees & some scrubs at North Beach. To remove them would require money in the budget or self-removal, along with Board approval since it is community property. Jud recommends that if the trees are removed there be some mitigation. Discussion continued about whether drainage was effective & how the debris would be handled. We are also in desperate need of a Parks Chair. It was recommended to have Juanita send an email for a volunteer along with the expectations of the position. It was suggested a bid be requested from Brett, Western Tree Solutions (414-8838), for the removal and a plan be presented to the Board. Mike will coordinate and provide the information at the September Board meeting.

### **Bridge Update:**

Closures for paving starts Tuesday; an email was sent to members. The Board was advised that a barge had been grounded & Fish & Wildlife was notified. Quigg will take responsibility for any complaints so it is possible there could be a delay in closing by month end. It was asked whether we are paving to existing footprint; yes. Any further enhancements should be budgeted for the future. Fog lines will be extended for safety & guard rails installed. The Board will do an email vote if necessary for striping for fog lines, center lines, & parking when more information is known.

Rich explained that we have three proposals for bridge insurance. Seven companies participated. The proposals include \$100K for earthquake and we can add slide, flood, etc. if we feel it is needed. The goal is to make a decision soon.

It was suggested that a new Island map for South Beach be done. An Island member has already offered to buy the old sign. Since the sign is primarily used for directions, it was determined the existing will be sufficient until someone volunteers to be responsible for having a new one made.

### **Old Business:**

The Board received a proposal from past member, Allison Summerday, requesting acceptance of \$2000 as payment for old debt on Lot 270 upon the sale of the land to the Tinkers (Lot 272). There was considerable discussion about whether the RIIA would want more land & whether this parcel would be a benefit to the community. After mixed opinions were shared, **a motion was made & passed that the Board is not willing to purchase the land.** In addition, **a motion regarding the Summerday proposal was made**

**as follows: The Board agrees to accept no less than \$2,000 to apply to Summerday's (Lot 270) old debt. Any sale exceeding \$2,000 shall also be applied to the outstanding debt and the balance forgiven. This agreement expires after 90 days. The motion was approved.**

**Roads:**

Scott Wood provided the Board with an outline of issues and possible corrective actions surrounding the North Beach parking area as well as drainage to the community property. Also, Lot 129 has graded the parking area & put a log across in an attempt to increase parking there and not block their driveway. Scott recommends repair grading to be done by members. The Island owns only a section of the road adjacent to No. Beach but it is felt that we need to be more diligent about communicating to members that it is not acceptable to modify RIIA property without advising the Board.

In order to complete the project, drainage needs to be improved from up the hill & the downhill slope should be reinforced for sloughing. Rich will write a letter to the owner of Lot 129.

Rich offered some clarity about email voting by Board members. If there is a controversy or need for personal discussion, it is best to either have a conference call or special meeting to vote in person. Email voting can be done when it can expedite the progress of a project & the Board is confident in the information available, or finalize an issue that has already had some discussion.

Around Island ditching has been budgeted for 20 hours this fiscal year. Scott has secured an individual with a lot of experience, and maintenance of our ditches has not been done for some time. Scott also suggested we consider drainage issues beyond ditching with both a long-term & short-term plans. **It was moved & approved to proceed with drainage for the budgeted amount.** Scott will check priorities with the contractor. Lots 12 & 14 have finally improved. Patching will depend on the budget.

**Security:**

Mike Neil has done research regarding Island security cameras, recommending two cameras toward the bridge & one toward the beach. If a DVR is also included we should run the conduit now for the future. We will also need an Island policy about the use of the information from the cameras & who will be authorized; e.g., security chair, police, Board, etc. The expense for two cameras and a DVR is \$11,000 and a \$215/month maintenance fee. It was suggested Mike talk to Quigg about their cameras & estimated costs also. Rich will contact Roger regarding installing conduit now & email the expense.

Mike feels strongly that we should take action & be pro-active regarding the crime already occurring on the Island & that we can make a difference. It was suggested that a committee be formed and a special meeting planned for the membership.

**Parks& Recreation:**

We will still need to plan for a boat rack and new BBQ's in future budgets. It was mentioned that boats stored at South Beach are at the owner's risk. Mike Neil & Charlotte contacted Comcast regarding a web cam.

**The July minutes were approved as submitted.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Trish Burnett, Acting Secretary

