

RIIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2025 - 7:00PM

All Saints Camp, Raft Island

Meeting called to order by: Hirko at 7:00PM

Board Members Present: Hirko (113), West (70), Scea (192), Cushing (244), Middleton (45), Flood (95), Smith (160 zoom), Neil (2), Walsh (111)

Board Members Absent: Phillips (205),

Members Present: Quisenberry (119), Daelman (234), Kerkhoff/Doyle (207), Bennett (161 zoom), Wiseman (1), McMonigle (20 zoom), Crain (8), Swift (266), Leas (80), Mitchell (150), Barkin (18 zoom), Stewart (123 zoom), Cove (72 zoom), Shoemaker (142 zoom), Hurley (182)

Request to Add Agenda Items:

- Pat McMonigle requested an update on the status of the letter to the USDA. See Gate Committee report, below.

Member's Request to Address Board:

- Leas (80) requested that the Board vote (again) on a proposed addition to the Annual Meeting ballot concerning an addition to the RIIA by-laws. The topic is the issue of nuisance deer/raccoon population control.
 - Moved: West, Second: Walsh, Vote: passed (Cushing abstained and Neil voted No)

Approval of Minutes:

→ Approval of February Minutes – Moved: West, Second: Cushing, Vote: Approved

Treasurer's Report – Scea: The manager's report indicated no budget issues.

Old Business:

- Rollover: Discussed alternative Board e-mail addresses. This protects an individual's e-mail privacy and becomes a turnover file upon any position change. Will be discussed further at April Board meeting.
- Rollover: Now that the new laws have taken effect, we should have our by-laws rewritten to comply with the new legislative requirements.
- ACTION: West to contact the Attorney and discuss the timing to update the By-Laws.

New Business: The Board discussed a proposal from Rosendahl regarding a possible reduction to monthly HOA-CS dues. It was agreed that such an action would be premature.

Committee Reports

- Roads – Committee Chair still vacant.
 - ACTION : Hirko will follow-up with WA Water to ensure complete overlay paving and roadside damage repair properly addressed at Maple/Cedar worksite.
- Budget – Scea presented the proposed budget for the next fiscal year, highlighting increased costs and the need for a reserve study next year. She mentioned the increase in HOACS management fees by \$100/month starting in January. She articulated the need for a buffer in the budget for unexpected expenses, such as the Larkin issue.
 - Motion to approve the FYE 2026-06-30 proposed budget as amended by the Board. Moved: Walsh, Second: Cushing, Vote: Approved unanimously.
 - ❖ The FYE2026-06-30 budget will be on the annual meeting ballot for a vote by the membership in May.
- Gate – Flood outlined the options for access control and emergency response systems to be presented to the USDA. He emphasized the need for Board approval and the President's signature prior to letter submission. The Board agreed to hold a meeting (on line) to address the final letter.
- Security – Hurley reiterated Pierce County's intent to become a FLOCK client and that access to information would then be made available upon request. Barkin requested a rough estimate of bridge traffic volume and Smith indicated that this information would be beneficial to the bridge engineers, as well. Crain will follow up on data access and privacy issues and provide feedback to Barkin/Smith and the Board.
- Parks and Recreation – Neil
- Swift voiced significant concern regarding some erosion/undermining of the seawall at South Beach. Neil will follow up.
 - Rollover – Scea included an additional \$500 to repair the support under walkway to South Beach boat dock.
 - Rollover – Swift (266) is injured and no longer able to conduct repairs on the South Beach Gate. He recommended contacting a welding outfit on Fox Island.
 - Rollover – Status of tennis court: \$65k was approved and we have spent approximately \$59k. Flood intends for a volunteer group to finish the fencing, and we still require netting, sealant and painting/stripping.
- Nomination – Glenn Stewart (Chair) continues canvassing for Candidates having utilized all available advertising opportunities.
- Bridge – Smith said the Committee was unable to provide Budget input for Bridge corrosion maintenance pending a bid from the engineers. He discussed the need for increasing insurance coverage and the potential for increased deductibles in the interest of reducing premiums.

- Investment – Hirko – nothing to report.
- Stormwater Mitigation – Flood
- Cliff Quisenberry emphasized the urgency of addressing the issue of flooding, due to Island stormwater runoff, into the ditch of Alder Dr and offered a proposed \$4.7k solution. He suggested the project be completed soon to prevent additional damage and avoid potential litigation. Quisenberry believes that this issue is the Board's responsibility while Flood, once again, reiterated the need for an island-wide stormwater mitigation policy balancing cost sharing responsibility.
 - ACTION: Flood to contact BMA and discuss the ability of the existing catch basin to handle the volume therein and develop a plan to ensure sufficient capacity.
- Emergency Management – Bennett: Continues developing our Hazard Mitigation and Response plan.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Walsh
Secretary