

HMC
Island Manager Report
Board Meeting
July 13, 2002

Summary

Administration

- No new information regarding possible interest in Herron Island for a cellular phone tower. However, an Oklahoma firm has begun working with rural water cooperatives and water system owners in a bid to become a national clearinghouse for cellphone carriers who might want to use water storage towers as cell sites. The concept may not be useful for HMC since we don't currently have a vertical-type water tower. That could change in the future as water storage capacity is added.

Transportation

- Reminder that the ferry goes into drydock on September 22nd. It is likely to be there for the better part of two weeks.
- The brake mechanism on the island ferry ramp on the island loosened up again and had to be serviced by the ferry crew. An attempt will be made to learn from the manufacturer why it does this. The mainland ramp brake has not had as many problems.

Finance

- Both office computers were attacked by a virus. No apparent long-term damage, but both have now had Norton SystemWorks anti-virus software installed. Also installed on the front office computer is an updated version of QuickBooks.

Water

- Study by Montgomery Water Group has started.

Legal Liaison

- No report.

Land Use

- No report.

Parks

- No report.

Roads

- The saltwater pump installation at the North Beach is nearly completed. The electrical contractor will be providing a couple of backordered parts, but the pump can be used now. In tests, the pump fills the truck as expected, but the "foot valve" (a type of check valve) has not held the prime for the pump and is being replaced.