

Members Present: Judy Greinke – Chair, Charles Smith – WDM, Kathy Deuster, Janet Podell – HMC Board, Mike Graham – HMC Board

Tiered water usage billing detail sheet and statement sheet were discussed. Fred Fath has revised the detail sheet to more clearly show the months being charged for Base Fees and Loan Fees and the different months being charged for Water Usage Fees. There is a one month overlap. Judy will contact Fred to make a few minor changes for clarity. Fred will work with Carolyn at the HMC Office to run a trial billing sometime soon to make sure no problems arise when the actual billing program starts in November.

Janet Podell will publish a reminder notice in the next Beachcomber about the new water billing to start in November.

Mike Graham and Charles Smith reported on the progress of remodeling and outfitting the water maintenance trailer. The trailer is finished and is sitting on the covered patio area of the Community Building. As part of the project, Gary Wanzong has installed new lighting and security cameras to cover the patio area.

Jack and Nancy Wells donated the trailer and tool box and Mike and Charles donated many hours of labor to rework the donated trailer. They did this in the most economical way possible by using reclaimed wood, bolts, and a great deal of labor to remove rust and corrosion. The trailer looks like new and anticipating the new hose and connections to arrive next week. Mike and Charles are also working with Mike Shettlesworth to improve the water pump system on the road watering truck.

The Herron Island Boosters have met their financial goal to assist with this water trailer project and there will be a demonstration after the next Board Meeting on Saturday Sept. 12, 2015 to demonstrate how it all works.

Janet Podell will write a Thank-You in the next Beachcomber listing all the generous members who donated to this project.

Fred Fath is writing the Process Document for the billing software as a backup for our new water usage billing program.

Charles Smith went over the Water Department project list. As of August 2015, six of the 15 projects are complete. Four or five of the projects will be finished during the time the ferry is out of service starting September 13th and the remainder of the projects will be coordinated with the Roads Department for completion. Some of the wooden planks from the ferry ramp work will be used at the Water Department lots to help with leveling.

Board Recommendation: The cost of Water Meter boxes that are destroyed or broken and need to be replaced will be charged to the member. This problem has come up often during construction or when a driveway is relocated or by carelessness when a lid is left standing open.

Minutes Written by Judy Greinke Chair Person