

**HMC**  
**Island Manager Report**  
**Board Meeting**  
**September 14, 2002**

**Summary**

**Transportation**

- The ferry goes into drydock after the last run on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- The deck boat, “MoTime” is expected to be available for passenger transportation while the ferry is gone.

**Finance**

- We have received the 2002-2003 premium rates for the employee health insurance plan. The increase is about 23%. While the 2002-2003 budget includes 10% additional funds to cover the increases in all other types of insurance coverage, there was no provision made for health insurance premium increases. In discussions with the crew this past spring, when the scope of potential increases was not known, HMC agreed to re-visit the healthcare cost situation later in the year. We now have the numbers and the premium increase is substantial. The I. M.’s recommendation is that the Board allocate from surplus funds (carryover from last year) a maximum of \$900, to be used during this fiscal year only, to be applied to the increased premium costs.

**Water**

- Study by Montgomery Water Group is underway. Bob Montgomery, the principal in the company, is scheduled to meet with the Board today.
- The I.M. recently attended an “Overview for Small Water Systems” class, which updated various legal and regulatory requirements that govern Group A systems such as HMC’s.
- Work continues to find an acceptable cover for the access opening in the top of the concrete reservoir. So far, none has been located that will fit correctly and seal properly.

**Legal Liaison**

- No report.

**Land Use**

- A request to remove trees and do some grading along the one-way road has been received. A letter was sent to the applicants explaining what they need to do to get Board approval for the project.

**Parks**

- No report.

**Roads**

- The saltwater pump installation at the North Beach is working very well. A new locking motor-starter switch was installed about two weeks ago. It is the third one to be installed, as previous versions were not of the type required for our installation. This one seems to be right.