

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

Summary

Administration

- Copier: Annual renewal for the maintenance contract is up now. Machine is old and may be increasingly difficult to get parts for. For Board discussion: renew service contract, buy a copier or lease a new one.
- Vandalism issue: no response to letter.

Transportation

- For Board discussion: clarifying the definitions of ferry “special runs” and “emergency runs.” Current definitions are in the Rules and Regulations, page 7, and in the Addendum to the Ferry Access Policy.

Finance

- After discussion with the I.M., a representative from the County Assessor’s office has looked at several HMC-owned lots with the intent of determining whether they qualify for lower assessed values. If this is done it would prevent HMC from having to appeal various assessments. The process is continuing.

Legal Liaison

- No correspondence from the attorney.

Land Use

- Some hillside lots with gradients of varying steepness were checked by the Pierce County Development Engineering division of the Planning Department. The lots were found to be OK for now. The county engineer did ask HMC to keep an eye on the road below steep areas for possible erosion.

Roads

- Dick Mowry has placed some new gravel on some sections of road. He is out of town for at least two months but there is a grading company (used last year) available if needed.
- For Board discussion: a method for ensuring that any cuts made in or across HMC roads (other than those made by the Water Department) are repaired, no matter the reason for the ditching. The cost should be borne by the property owner who benefits from the project. Currently only septic “tight lines” are addressed by policy.