

BOARD MEETING
April 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order by chair, Nancy Papineau, at 10:15 AM, at the pool house. Those present were Jon Hunter, Paul Kohl, Dick Knutzen, Dionne Lindley, Marilyn Laubach, Nancy Papineau, and Nadeen Walker. Also in attendance were Tom Walker and Ken Martig.

The board discussed the issue of Association members contacting individual board members for answers on HIEA issues. To eliminate confusion or conflicting answers and possibly giving wrong answers, the board felt the need to establish a policy that would be in the best interests of all. The need for open lines of communication between the board and the Association members was taken into consideration. The following policy was moved by Marilyn and seconded by Dionne. **“Any requests from Association members about board business needs to be directed to the Board Chair in writing or e mail for the Chair’s consideration to be taken to the full board.”** The motion was approved unanimously.

Engineer, Ken Martig gave an updated status report on the water system:

Ken sent in an annual report to the tank manufacturer on the condition of the tank. This is required to keep the warranty in effect.

In the pressure distribution area of the water system the pressure is the same as it was in 2006, where other areas of the system have been improved.

Two (2) goals that are needed to be accomplished in regards to the water system:

1 - Increase the number of connections from 66 to 80 as originally proposed when the system was installed. This will require an engineering report to the State.

2 - Secure a USDA loan to help finance the remaining work on the system. Certain action items are needed to secure the loan. This will require some time to do. Nancy is currently doing the paper work on this.

In the pressure zone area there is a definite need to eliminate dead ends in the lines to get rid of potential contamination of the water supply. If there is contamination, it would require chlorination on a full time basis by the State. To accomplish getting rid of the dead ends a looping of the lines is being considered. This would also help to qualify HIEA for the desired 80 connections. All board members voted in favor of moving forward with the looping process. There was much discussion as to how specifically to accomplish this. Ken Martig will look into all possibilities and negotiations with the adjoining property owner. This will be with the board’s direction and further approvals.

Nancy reported on the progress of the USDA loan application. The USDA takes a look at how much the association is charging in fees and dues. The last time HIEA applied they were turned down for their fees and dues being too low. With this in mind, the board voted unanimously to raise the 2013 membership from \$450 to \$500.

Since the loan application will take some time, it was agreed to put the installation of the remaining required individual water meters on hold for about 6 months. As soon as HIEA gets the loan, then the remaining meters will be installed, looping of the water system lines and other finish projects will go forward. If we do not get the loan, then we will use the line of credit we have with Heritage Bank to complete the work. This will be paid back through normal dues.

Other items to be brought before the general meeting on April 27th are the adoption of the new By Laws and Articles of Incorporation and voting for 3 board positions.

Meeting adjourned at 12:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Laubach, secretary