

**GREAT HARBORS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**Board Meeting - January 19, 2008**

Present: Alice Jamal, Jeanne Manca, Rich Conlon, Joan King, Barry Balan, Michael Janes, Ellen Leathers, Mary Doyle, Pat Costello, Peg McGaffigan  
Absent: Dave Roberts, George Owens, Frank Conley, Brendan Noonan, Mike Foley

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Barry Balan at 9:30 A.M.

The minutes of the November 17, 2007 meeting were discussed & 2 corrections were made. 1) Alice Jamal's exact wording of her motion about volunteers of GHRA receiving no tangible benefits from their services replaced the stated wording.

2) The rental of the Club House was corrected to read \$175.00.

The minutes after corrections are accepted & will be posted on the web site.

Mary Doyle asked about her giving "Thank You" gifts at the end of the summer for a job well done. Peg McGaffigan made a motion that any gift (monetary or otherwise) to a volunteer or employee of GHRA must come before the BOD for action.

Second & approved.

Treasurer's Report: Alice Jamal

- Reports that very little activity occurred during Nov-Jan months.
- ING Account for the Roads Trust Fund opened with an initial deposit of \$1,000.00.
- Remaining \$42,000.00 will be deposited after receiving signatures of 2 BOD members today after this meeting.
- Another delinquent home owner has paid leaving 8 left.
- We are better off this year than last by 26%.
- Need to look at maintenance as there is a 43% increase from 2006.
- Suggest having someone look into controlling costs in this area.
- Motion made by Rich Conlon to accept Treasurer's report. Second & approved.

Finance Committee Report: Rich Conlon

- Rich Conlon made the motion to amend the 6/17/06 GHRA Dock Rules as follows:
  - 1) All dock renters are required to have a minimum of \$25,000.00 property liability insurance. Proof of insurance must be provided each year with your signed dock renter's contract. Second & approved.
  - 2) Rich Conlon made the motion to charge the 4 tie-up slips \$700.00 for 2008. This is 50% of the full slip charge. Second & approved.
    - A discussion followed with Michael Janes after his speaking with Stan Caras, to:
      - 1) Limit the maximum size of a boat on the tie-up slips to 18'
      - 2) Create a space marker or visual line delineating the boat's tie-up space. This will let the boat owner know where the boat should fit in the space.
    - Motion by Michael Janes to add this to the Boat Rules. Second & approved.
    - Invoices going out January 26, 2008.
    - Assessment of \$ 250.00 is on a separate line.

- On line invoices available.
- Hearing on docks due sometime in March 2008.

Maintenance: Les Leathers

- Getting bids on landscaping.
- Repairing pool furniture.

Request \$7,000.00 for cleaning the roads & repairing any cracks for spring 2008. Money to come from Roads Trust Fund. Alice will research expenditure for the last 3 years so she can evaluate how much should be spent. Discussion tabled until the next meeting.

- A motion was made by Peg McGaffigan that non-members of GHRA should be contacted concerning their responsibilities for road repair. Second & approved.
- Club House Renovations Committee to meet BOD meeting to discuss the first draft in remodeling the Club House. Les Leathers, Mary Doyle, Pat Costello & Joan King will attend.

Crime Watch: Peg McGaffigan

- Between Dec 8 - 11 - 1 car was stolen, a house was broken into & a party was held and several cars were entered & items taken. Everyone needs to remember to lock your car while in Great Harbors.
- Police patrolling more.
- ATV running around at night without lights. If seen, report to police.

House Committee: Peg McGaffigan

- No report

Women's Club: Pat Costello

- We had a successful Christmas Party with the Men's Club helping
- Celebrated Anna Randall's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with cake & ice cream at the last meeting. Anna is the oldest & original member of GHRA.

Men's Club: Les Leathers

- No report, Women's Club said it all.

Recreation: Mary Doyle

- Matt Hamilton has been contacted & is interested in returning this summer. No money has been discussed yet.
- Getting bids on ball field. Several quotes on how to build the diamond & what materials should be used. Bids also on putting up a net above the back stop & extending a 4" chain link fence on either side.
- Alice suggests putting together the whole package to be presented to the BOD.
- Suggestions made to make the field a multi-use area & not put in a permanent diamond but use portable bases instead. The entire area would be grass. This would save money & make the area more useful.
- There is a general parking issue that needs to be addressed.
- Stone & rail ties to be installed.
- Mary will report back at the next meeting.

New Business: Barry Balan

- Ann Costello emailed concerning the web site. Pete Manca needs information to put on web site.
- Motion made to post approved BOD minutes & dock information on the web site. Second & approved.
- Barry announced that a data collection Company, Zanio is in the area photographing property in Great Harbors. Nothing to worry about. They are legal.
- Town of Falmouth Waste Water programs are being aired on cable TV. See schedule.
- Meeting January 9, 2008 to look for a site for a waste water plant.
- Ponds & streams are full of nitrates, fish killed & algae blooms.
- We need to learn more about this project as while it will be expensive, without good water, we will lose our community.
- Click on falmouthma.us for more information.
- Peg McGaffugan suggested having a speaker on this subject at the Annual Meeting.
- Send information on this subject to the web site.

Rich Conlon made a motion to cancel the February 2008 meeting since many Board members will be absent. Second & approved.

Barry Balan announced that he will not be in attendance for the March meeting if the sale of his house goes through as planned. He will submit his resignation to Dave Roberts. The members of the BOD expressed their gratitude for all the work Barry has done for Great Harbors.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Respectively submitted,  
Joan D. King  
Pro Tem