

THE NORTH WOODS ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD MEETING
August 26, 2007
CABIN 96 BOARD ROOM

Board Members present: Rick Fields, Cathryn Hodl, Dan Brady, Jim Creel, David Karkanen, and Jim West as caretaker. Jill Wyllie and Doug Karkanen were not able to attend.
Members present: Kathy Watkins and Linda Knight.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 am.

Minutes: July 15, 2007 minutes were approved via email. Motion with second to ratify electronic approval was passed.

Opening comments by Rick Fields: Rick confirmed the date of the Annual Meeting is Thursday, October 18, 2007 at the Clark PUD building. Meeting to begin at 7:30 PM.

Treasurers Report: Cathryn Hodl

Accounts Receivable is small with just three unpaid for shredder work. Cabin #60 and #139 dues are still unpaid. Bad addresses and phone numbers, so may be difficult to contact. Cathryn will call WFR to find out whether they are also behind on payments for lease. Cabin #139 is for sale; worst case could be that we would not collect the small amount due until a sale transaction closes. Motion to accept, seconded, and passed.

President Report: Rick Fields

Proposed budget for 2008 will be prepared by Cathryn Hodl and circulated to all board members via email. Board will review and ask any questions prior to Sept. 27 meeting. Final review and approval scheduled for Sept. 27 meeting.

The association work truck is now repaired and operational. Thanks to Dan Brady for his work on this.

The new generator for the water system was transported to The North Woods by Rick Fields. Installation will be just after the Labor Day holiday weekend. Jim is tasked to find professional information concerning setup of external diesel fuel tank. Jim will also find a local diesel fuel supplier so we can set up an account.

Rick gave formal thanks to Dan Brady and Jim West for the help they gave to people getting boats out of the water after early draw down notification from PacifiCorp.

Rick gave formal thanks to Cathryn Hodl for finalizing the electrical equipment removal at cabin #96. Cathryn and Dan Brady have arranged to return these materials to Frank Yela, cabin #54. Woodland Electric, a division of Hemer Electric, Inc., was contracted to do the removal and replace with similar installation that meets code so we can either purchase our own emergency radio or accept loan of one from Skamania County Sheriff's department.

Rick stated there is need to finish dog swim area access platform that will be attached to the stationary walkway to the marina. He asked Dan to research whether we have all materials needed to complete this. Need to set date to complete the work.

Rules and Regulations: Rick briefly recounted the settlement negotiated and approved electronically with regard to the recent fine levied against owners of cabin #41. Fine was reduced to \$500; payment was made directly to our bank account on Aug. 22, 2007, the day of settlement. Motion was made, seconded, and passed

to levy a second fine of \$500 for a second similar offense that happened several weekends ago. The second fine is suspended pending notification that the sale and lease transfer in progress on that cabin closes successfully.

Boat Dock Report: Dan Brady/Cathryn Hodl

There are no boat slips available for lease. There are six members on the waiting list for a slip lease.

Project to either enlarge or reconfigure the marina is on-going. Dan is continuing to do research on companies who can provide the kind of docks and walkways required in our location.

Temporary possibility to deal with safety issues regarding placement and navigation of pontoon boats in the marina could be to relocate these in the slips on the lake side of the plastic finger. This could be accomplished when the majority of the long term leases on that finger expire on Dec. 31, 2007. Cathryn is working on the logistics of this option.

Date for volunteer work party to continue refurbishing walkways and slips will be in late September.

Caretaker Report: Jim West

New diesel generator is now here. See President's report for more detail.

Water samples are being done on regular schedule, as usual. Jim reports that we have gone nine years without a bad water sample.

Application of the remainder of the Dirt Glue will be done in the week after Labor Day holiday. Jim, Rick, and Dan need one more volunteer to assist with that. Jim and Rick will meet later to schedule the closure of roads for the application of the dirt glue. Budget of 2008 needs to contain projected amount for a full application of this material to be done at the beginning of busy season next spring.

Old Business:

The remodel of the bathroom in cabin #96 will be done before the end of the year.

PacifiCorp is still considering our proposal for granting an easement for us to improve their access road and make it our main entry road, particularly for the lower level of the compound. Their attorneys are researching the land use status and possible changes to that. The Skamania County sheriff sent a letter to PacifiCorp regarding the improved safety of the new entry proposed.

Wording for new signs needed was reviewed. Cathryn Hodl will contact Signs & More in Vancouver to get estimates. She will compare those numbers to a prior estimate from SignsNow. Doug Karkanen needs to contact the owner of cabin #72 to see if he is still willing to do the "natural" signs to post at the entrances.

Cathryn Hodl will contact Sondra Reid to find out if she is still willing to work with the board as a "communications specialist" as regards the production of our newsletter. The association is not required to produce a newsletter, but we have found it to be a very good way of communicating information to the members. All board members agreed that the best time to produce and distribute a newsletter is in mid-May.

New business: Next board meeting will be in Lloyd Center area on September 27, 2007 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned.