

**MT.HOOD FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**July 16, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER:** At 2:00 pm, July 16, the meeting was called to order by President Paula Hoiland at the cabin of Gene Comfort.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Paula Hoiland, Treasurer/Web Master Daryl Phillippi, Ken Hoiland, Tom Reynolds and Gene Comfort. Also present were Henry "Buz" Raz (acting for Recording Secretary Carolyn Raz) and guests Jim and Jennifer Cline, whose cabin is on Rad 31.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:** The minutes of the May 2nd Board meeting were presented. Motion was made to accept the Minutes as posted on the website. Motion seconded and approved.

The Minutes of the June 16th annual meeting were presented. Motion was made to accept the Minutes as posted on the website. Motion seconded and approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's report was presented by Daryl which showed 54 percent of total cabin owners have paid dues (which is fewer than last year). Discussion noted we have still retained substantial income, low operating expenses, satisfactory reserves, and currently no outstanding indebtedness.

Daryl explained a complication with banking procedures/regulations and the Association bylaws. The Association's bank has explained that a change in our bylaws (Article 4, Page 4, Section 2) "Officers need to read 'President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, and Secretary/Treasurer.'" Paula noted that a quorum was present. The Association currently has eight Board members; a quorum is more than half; five board members were present. Ken made a motion to change the bylaws to read as above and meet the bank's regulations or requirements. Motion was seconded and carried. Daryl was instructed to forward a copy of the by bylaws to the bank as soon as practical.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Liability Insurance:** Paula gave a recap of her attempt to obtain liability insurance coverage for Board and officers as authorized during a previous Board meeting for not more than a \$2,000 premium for at least \$1 million coverage. The quotes received to date have ranged from \$2,783 to over \$5,000. She will have further discussions with the National Forest Homeowners to explore possible avenues that may lower the cost.

**Review of Annual Meeting:** Paula asked for input regarding the venue (the Dorman Center) of our recent annual meeting. It was the consensus that all

association members seemed to be very pleased with the site and it was very functional and reasonably priced. It was suggested to reserve the center for next year as soon as we approve a meeting date which was suggested to not be on Father's Day weekend as it was this year. Continuing discussion included possibly separating the dessert table from the "main course" items to speed up the line.

Ken noted that the sound system we used at the meeting was donated (as it has been for our annual meeting for many years) by Russ Schmidt at Joyful Noise, located in Clackamas. It is with great appreciation that we acknowledge this donation and we note that his service is used by meeting planners and anyone needing a portable sound system.

Paula reported that Fran Lanagan, Forest Service Summer Homes Administrator, called the next business day after the meeting to profusely apologize for her absence at the annual meeting. She reported she was unable to attend due to a medical situation and thought we had been apprised, but discovered we had not when she returned to work. Paula accepted her apology and stated we look forward to on-going work with her to help find solutions to Forest Service and cabin owners' concerns. We are glad her health has improved and she is back at work.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Board Vacancies and Candidates:** Paula reported we have had a number of members respond to her request for Board member applicants at the annual meeting. In fact, she welcomed and introduced two guests at our meeting, Jim and Jennifer Cline, who are interested in becoming Board members. They are rather recent cabin owners and spoke about their interest in helping the Association with experience that may benefit our endeavors. Paula thanked them for their interest and explained the actual Board voting to elect new members will be conducted at the November Board meeting.

**Cabin Inspections:** Paula reported that Fran contacted her recently regarding the annual cabin inspections. The Forest Service does not have staff and/or resources to physically inspect all 553 cabins each year. They, the FS, are investigating self inspection by the cabin owners with limited "spot checking" by the FS. Fran does not have a completed plan at this time. However, she did contact Paula for input on a proposed form. That form is now on both the MHFHA website and the FS website. It can either be emailed or mailed to the FS.

**Non-native Plant Invasion:** Gene Comfort recently became aware that a long-time plant in his yard, (heartweed) was an invasive species that the Forest Service wants eradicated. An article in the July issue of the Mountain Times had

an article describing the plant. Gene plans to write an article for the fall MHFHA newsletter on invasive plants.

**Important Dates:**

**September 23rd** - deadline for submitting **articles for the newsletter**, which will be mailed on November 15th. All Board members shall (will) (must) submit their article to Daryl by that date.

**October 15th** - Next **highway clean-up**. Discussion also included the current highway improvements in part on the which includes widening the roadway for an additional eastbound lane for slow-moving vehicles or vehicles being chained/unchained.

**November 7** - Next Board meeting at Ken Hoiland's office at 7:00 pm.

**Ongoing** - Daryl reminded us that the website needs to be current and he relies on the input from all Board members to keep it current. It is the Board members' responsibility to notify him about items so he in turn can enter it onto the website.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.