

**Admirals Cove Beach Club
ACBC – Whidbey.org
Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

President Kurt Blankenship called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT

Kurt Blankenship, Ed Delahanty, Steve Morrow, Mike Tenore, Dennis Egan and Greg Behan

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

June 28th and July 19th have been approved as FINAL but are not on ACBC's website
November 19th needs to be done – Rough Draft

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Kurt Blankenship

No report

OFFICER REPORTS

VICE PRESIDENT: Ed Delahanty

No Report

SECRETARY: Suzy Palmer

No report

TREASURER – FINANCIAL REPORT: Steve Morrow

Admirals Cove Beach Club. See the posting on the website about the
December 2016 Treasurer's Report to the Board

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grounds & Building: Marty Lull

Landshapers did a good job of cleaning out a portion of the ditch along Byrd. Their cost was lower(\$429.36) than their \$700.00 original estimate. We also have money for additional cleaning of the ditch in the 2017 Budget.

Lake Outflow: Ed Delahanty

Paperwork has been completed for the County's Pre-App. Ed will call and find out the date of their next meeting before the next Board meeting.

Lake Ecology: Mike Tenore

Tidegate is working fine. Someone deliberately jammed it open with a stick during a high tide, but this was discovered fairly quickly and removed.

Pool Maintenance and Improvement: Dennis Egan

Pool has been closed and winterized.

Budget & Finance: Steve Morrow

Packet is now on website. All has been completed for 2016.

Long Range Planning: Suzy Palmer

No report.

Communications: Kurt Blankenship

Kurt advised a Newsletter will be sent out after the Annual Meeting. Dennis Egan expressed that we really need to encourage volunteers. Members will be encouraged to put their email addresses on their return Ballot envelope, which would greatly facilitate more rapid communication with the members about events, Cove issues, etc., and would also save money if the newsletter could be sent electronically. If we can get it set up, there would be only one, possibly two, BOD members that would be responsible for sending out the emails.

Bylaws:

Changes proposed are in mailing packet being mailed to Members on December 15, 2016.

Nominating:

The Nominating Committee solicited, obtained, and vetted (as members in good standing) five individuals who offered themselves as candidates for the three open positions for the Board of Directors for this year's election of same. Their self written biographies will be included with the ballots. Thanks to the Committee for its work.

Government Relations:

No report

Social and Welcoming: Dennis Egan

There will be a Christmas Party at the Shelter on December 18th. This will be/or has been posted on the official ACBC website, Admirals on the Cove Facebook and on the Next Door website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bluff pipe: none of the bluff property owners have taken advantage of the free pipe made available through the Club's efforts. Kurt has copies of all correspondence and emails sent to Farragut owners/Members regarding Club efforts and suggestions to minimize the possibility of further sloughing on the bluff. There is a utility/drainage easement in favor of the County on the Pritchard property. An email about that will be sent to Phil Cohen, Island County Water Engineer.

Status of strengthening the toe along the ditch and/or clean out

On hold until next Spring or Summer

Collection efforts for 2012-2013

An attempt was made to serve by registered mail five Members Not in Good Standing with small claims court filings. Three were accepted, two were not. Only one of the three defendants properly served showed up in Small Claims Court on the appointed hearing date. A payment plan of \$50.00 per month was negotiated with that member for delinquent dues and fees. The Sheriff's Office was requested to

serve the two defendants who did not sign for the registered letters, but those attempts by the Sheriff were also unsuccessful.

Because this process is very time consuming. Kurt asked the Board to authorize him to explore turning over collection efforts to outside counsel. Outside council usually has a collection agency – and would act according to collection laws. They also would have affiliates in other counties and states.

Trial has been set in February for the two defendants who were served but failed to appear. Should one of those defendants be in the military, there is nothing we can do. Greg suggested that we could find out who his/her CO is. Mike and Ed suggested we could also check with Legal Services at the Base.

The Board gave **unanimous approval** for Kurt to check this out.

NEW BUSINESS

Posting of financial packets: Kurt has everything back to beginning of the year and will send to Heather. We need to define a mechanism of how to do a maximum of 2-page Summary sheet. Steve will send Kurt August through December for posting.

Next Board of Directors Meeting is January 17, 2017

Annual Meeting is January 28th, 2:00 P.M., at The Nordic Hall

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:50 PM