

## **OHCA Budget Meeting January 24, 2006**

With 42 members of the OHCA present, the meeting was called to order by Norman MacLeod, President, at 7:45 pm.

After the meeting observed a moment of silence, the President asked for approval of the agenda. It was moved (Dan Craig) and seconded (Phil Staller) and the agenda was accepted.

Board Secretary, Ian McKinnon, presented a summary of the Board minutes. Because there had been four meetings of the Board since the last Membership meeting, on November 8, December 10 and 15, and January 17, McKinnon provided printed copies of the full minutes to the membership.

Anne MacLeod, Recording Secretary, read the minutes of the November 22, 2005, Membership meeting. Patty Jenkins moved and Lois Veal seconded a motion to accept the report, which passed.

Dr. Debose inquired as to when Board recommendations required approval from the general membership. Pat Cannon, Board Chair outlined the guidelines:

\*Projects within budgeted categories which do not exceed the amounts in the approved budget can be implemented without further membership approval.

\*All expenditures outside already approved budget need approval from the community.

\*Policy changes always require membership approval.

\*Some procedural changes may need membership approval.

Bonnie Thorne inquired whether projects required bids from three contractors before implementation. The President answered yes, but pointed out that, in spite of diligent effort, we don't always get three bids.

The President gave the Treasurer's Report, with assistance from Robin Gilliam, who has worked on the audit and budget. He pointed out that the large residue of unspent funds, the "unrestricted budget" will be used for three major projects: Piers and Harbors, Roads and Drainage and Community Property. The budget layout is attached.

Joe Butcher, Vice Chair of the Board and Chair Board Budget Committee, presented the budget for fiscal year 2007 (attached)

There was a motion (Debose) and a second (Crane) to accept the budget. Passed.

Patty Jenkins inquired about the beach fence. Erecting the fence is waiting upon resolution of the FEMA requirement that Bonnie Thorne's house be raised nine feet above beach level.

Old Business. The President reported that some permits for items in the Master Plan have expired and will need renewal before work can be done.

Two new members were introduced: Jim Wyatt and Lucy Josey.

McKinnon reported that BGE's change to the power line over the entry to OH is expected by June.

A question concerning additional street lights was raised. The President says the community has the authority to add them

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm