

Hanover Seaside Club

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Hanover Seaside Club
Annual Meeting
March 18, 2011

The 113th annual meeting of the Hanover Seaside Club was called to order at 7:35 pm. There were 67 regular Memberships represented.

The minutes of 2010 Annual Meeting were sent out. There were no corrections. The minutes stand approved as presented.

Financial Report: Wilson Horton-

- A. 2010 budget review was presented and questions were answered. It was requested that we report the insurance deductible.
- B. 2011 budget was reviewed and discussed. The membership as 3/11/11 stands at Regular Members 260 and Seasonal Members 500. We are 21 over due to the number of children of members that came in last year.
- C. 605 S. Lumina was rented from September 15, 2010 thru May 15, 2011
- D. Faydene Corbett moved we accept the financial report. Sherry McCarley seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: Year in Review-

- A. Security Guard update- Deak Walden- The security guards worked well last year. They were seen all over Club property. Their presence helped in the parking lot, outdoor showers, and the sound decreasing the number of incidences. They reported to Mollene and filed a report with her of things they saw. It was suggested that records be kept on towing of cars, and incidences of how many people were asked to leave. Also the need of an incidence report.
- B. Re-cycling Update- Jean Lawler- We has a contract with EZtoBGreen. They come and pick up our re-cyclables. It has helped with our dumpster trash.
- C. Membership /committee Report- Henrietta Godwin- The committee sent out new applications to everyone who had an old application on file asking them to fill out a new one and it would be attached to the old one. We also sent out a letter to let them know what the present initiation fee was. We sent out a

letter to all the new applicants letting them know that we have the application of file and encouraged them to let us know of any changes that occur. We also encouraged them to send letters expressing their continued interest in being a member.

- D. Club Repairs/Improvements- Jim Morgan/Henrietta Godwin-
1. 605 South Lumina was rented from September 2010 thru May 15, 2011 for \$1800 an month. The weekly rental for the season will be \$2500 a week.
 2. The club house is 30yrs old and takes a lot of upkeep. Storage areas have been made under the steps to the third floor and the garage at 605.
 3. We have a new closure mechanism including a new arm for the exit gate out of the parking lot.
 4. The parking lot was striped.
 5. The nails in the ceiling on the second floor, all 10,000 of them, have been have been covered with the new vinyl ceiling panels.
 6. The snack bar has been enlarged by 30%. This should give the staff more room to move and be able to serve members earlier.
 7. A new water cooler has been put in.
 8. Rocking chairs have been repaired and painted
 9. The dining room, hall way, living room and the office have been painted and bead board was added to the walls. The service center in the dining room has been re-built. The furniture in the dining room has been recovered with Sunbrella material. The men's and women's bathrooms of the second floor have been updated.
 10. Henrietta Godwin asked that if anyone has any pictures of the old club or our ancestors she would like to scan them and make an album. We have a lot of history and she would like to preserve it.
- E. Constitution Committee Update- Mike Wilson – The constitution committee consisted of Mike Lewis, George Finch, Chair Person, Omar Mardan, Brad Walls, and Sally Godwin. We started meeting in July of 2010 and met twice a month until January 3, 2011. When Mr. Von Oesen was president of the Club he appointed a committee to re-write the constitution. One of the main complaints was that the out of town members wanted a proxy vote so their voice could be heard. The committee wanted to write the document for the future. The new one was written and the new committee was to write by-laws of that document, so they would have 2 documents. There was the same vocabulary used in different places of the Constitution and they wanted to simplify the document. The two documents dovetailed into one. We sent the draft to our lawyer. He made and recommended some changes and they incorporated them. The draft then went to the board members and it was discussed and changes were written in. After the board discussed the draft and it was updated from their comments it was mailed to all regular members for their comments. 20 signed comments came back and 9 comments came back anonymously. Mike Lewis sent out a letter to the regular members that the constitution would go back to the committee. They would look at the

comments that were written and take them into consideration. We have the option to add to the committee or have invited guests to come to the meeting. The Constitution committee will move forward with the process. Scheduled meetings will be open to those who sent in signed comments. The committee will work on the document and tweak it. The end result of the document will be sent out to the regular members. Time will be given for the membership to look over it and then a special meeting called to go over it. (See attached comments)

New Business: Moving forward in 2011

- A. Nomination Committee Report- Jim Morgan- The committee consisted on Jim Morgan, Chairman, Eelco Tinga, Julie Newton, Fadene Corbett, and Trey Horton. The candidates for one year are:
1. President- Mike Lewis
 2. Vice President- Jean Lewis
 3. Secretary Treasurer- Wilson Horton
 4. Board of Directors for a three year term
 - a. Elise Beall
 - b. John Cockrum
 - c. Calvin Lane
 - d. Sherry McCarley

The floor was opened up for nominations President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer. No one was nominated. Accept by acclamation was made by Omar Mardan. The floor was then opened for nomination for Board of Directors. After no nominations were made, Ray Smith moved we close the nominations. Sherry McCarley seconded. Motion passed. Andy Cox was asked to head the counting of ballots and he was assisted by Walt Futch and Jim Spencer. After the votes were counted, Andy Cox announced that the 2 new board members were Elise Beall and John Cockrum. Mike Lewis acknowledged Eelco Tinga and Jim Morgan as the outgoing board members and thanked them for their time and wisdom while they served on the board.

- B. House Committee for Room Assignments- Brad Walls- He, Henrietta Godwin, and George Earnhart III with the assistance of Wilson Horton will assign the rooms this year. The room requests were supposed to be in by March 1, 2011. There are 10 weeks to assign rooms for 700 members. This will relieve Wilson Horton from the entire job.
- C. Rocking Chair Committee/Honorarium Fund-Mike Lewis-This was set up by George and Elizabeth Finch for someone to give to a fund in memory or in honor of someone who has enjoyed the time spent rocking on the porches of our Club. Our rocking chairs are primed and painted when they are new to help prevent chipping. Synthetic chairs are being looked into. A chair cost \$160 primed and painted. When a monetary gift is given a letter will be sent out to the person who was honored or the family of the person that the gift was sent in memory of to acknowledge the gift. A book will be at the desk and the name of the person who had a gift sent in their name and the name of the person who gave the gift will be listed.

- D. House Committee for Repairs- Mike Lewis- He has asked Jim Morgan to assist the board with the overseeing the ongoing repairs to the Club and 605 S. Lumina.
- E. Susan Collins is on the Board of Alderman of Wrightsville Beach. She is very interested in water quality. She has met with Danny McComas about boats being pumped out at Sea Path Marina before they can anchor out in the water. If any questions her e-mail is scollins@towb.org and Mayor Cignotti's e-mail address is dcignotti@towb.org.
- F. Establish a date for 2012 annual meeting. Discussion was held as to a good day and date. Jan Sheppard moved we meet on Saturday February 11, 2012 at 2pm. Peggy Russell seconded. Motion passed.

Feedback on Comments on the Constitution

1. The Board can't ignore the perceptions of the members. The Secretary/Treasurer did interact with the staff and was consulted in running the club. The Board was kept apprised of what was going on. The running of the Club is now a big business and we can't do things the way they were done in the past. E-mailed was used quite frequently. This Board wanted matters brought before the Board so they could make the decision.
2. Comments were made that the new constitution gave more power to the Secretary/Treasurer where after careful review by the committee it really showed the opposite. The new re-write puts more authority on the Board for final decision on staff and staff problems. The Secretary/Treasurer will interface with the staff and come to the Board for a solution.
3. The proxy system will not be used. We will use an absentee ballot for regular members voting.
4. The Constitution Committee wanted a Business Manager. Since we are a non-profit organization we have to have a Secretary/Treasurer in a voting position.
5. We have a 9 member Board. The President does no vote except in case of a tie.
6. There will not be a "Committee of Power". The whole Board will be the Executive Committee and will discuss all matters. Management of the club is the whole Board. The President will talk with staff. The President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer will meet one on one when handling personnel matters.
7. Currently our auditor is Joe Rutten. He receives our bank statement and does our audit. He sends Wilson Horton his sheets and Wilson enters the numbers in his computer. In the future the Club will have an independent auditor who is not a member of the Club or will not be a member of the Club. There will be 2 signers for checks and contracts with staff.
8. The Board will find a way to present the financial statements to members
9. Term limits will be discussed.

10. All board meetings will be open to members, both regular and seasonal. They can write to the board and be put on the agenda if they wish to address the Board.
11. Upcoming dates of Board meeting and the agenda will be posted on the bulletin board.
12. The Board will accept a quorum for formal policies.
13. The club is required by the State of NC to provide a list of Regular members and their address because they are voting members and we are a "Not for Profit" corporation. That list will be at the office desk for regular members to look at. It would be for Club specific business. This is not for personal use by members.
14. The President will post the Nominating Committee on the Club premises in August. Anyone interested in speaking with them can contact them.
15. Suggestions on how to view minutes of Board meetings or Annual meeting was brought up. This will be discussed by the Board. (Face book, web site, etc.)
16. The Club needs to establish long range process to evaluate and come up with a concept of what to do with its assets. Ideas will be heard by the Board.
17. Our legal fees were in excess of \$10,000. There was publicity about the Club and we consulted a lawyer for legal advice that was in the best interest of the Club. We also consulted him on the correctness of the Constitution.
18. We are not trying to get rid of members but we need some plan of action in place to keep the Club a safe place.