

**BIRCH BAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY CLUB
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2006
CHRIST THE KING FACILITY
PEACE ARCH FACTORY OUTLET MALL
3440 BIRCH BAY-LYNDEN ROAD
8:00 P.M.**

ROLL CALL:

Ralph Falk, President	Present
Bob Boyd, Treasurer	Excused
Valery Anderson, Secretary	Present
Deon Wiechmann, Board Member	Present
Sandra Stillion, Board Member	Present
John Brown, Board Member	Present
Jim Macmillan, Board Member	Excused

Also Present: Meg Grable, General Manager, and Ann Nydam, Administrative Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Birch Bay Village Community Club (BBVCC) General Meeting was called to order at 8:02 P.M.

QUORUM:

Meg Grable stated a quorum was present.

AGENDA:

- **Motion made by Monty Whitt seconded by Kathy Bunker and carried to approve the agenda as presented.**

INTRODUCTION: Ralph Falk, President introduced the BBVCC Board Members and staff.

MINUTES:

- **Motion made by Kathy Bunker seconded by Jack Vennett and carried to approve the Minutes of June 6, 2005 as presented.**

TREASURER'S REPORT – Valery Anderson

- **Valery read the cover letter for the Financial statement.**

GUEST SPEAKER – Kathy Berg, Birch Bay Steering Committee chairperson

- **Kathy gave a brief history of the Birch Bay area.**
- **Birch Bay is growing rapidly; more residents are living in the area year round instead of just seasonally.**
- **There is need for a basic plan for the future of Birch Bay and a way of talking to service providers must be implemented.**
- **Fire Station 13 isn't manned anymore, so residents of Birch Bay have been attending the fire district meetings to make their voice heard with regards to fire protection.**
- **Birch Bay Village needs to be involved in what's happening in the greater Birch Bay area.**
- **Whatcom County's official position is that Birch Bay become incorporated, sub-committees of the Birch Bay Steering Committee has been formed to study this issue.**
 - **A watershed plan is being worked on**
 - **A feasibility study for incorporation and the costs involved with that needs to be done.**
 - **Birch Bay will get a school sometime between 2010 and 2012 for grades K through 6, 51% of the students in the Blaine school district come from Birch Bay.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Ralph Falk

- **Ralph thanked John Brown, Sandra Stillion and Jim Macmillan for serving on the Board of Directors.**
- **He thanked all the volunteers, the staff and the club members for all the hard work they did for Birch Bay Village.**
- **John Brown thanked the Village for electing him, being on the Board had been fun, frustrating and challenging.**
- **Ralph Falk wished all the candidates for the Board 'good luck'.**

- The Board received a lot of positive feedback about the Open Forum.
- Ongoing issues the Board has been dealing with:
 - Stormwater from the Horizon's Semiahmoo project, no acceptable plan has been forthcoming
 - BBV lakes – continuous work is being done to keep the lakes clear
 - The 7th green will be move by the end of July.
 - Performance audits have been done on the staff.
 - A boat ramp was put in off Nootka Loop into Kwann Lake
 - The Board has been working with the Army Corps of Engineers with regards to beach erosion.
 - There will be a lap lane in the pool open for anyone wanting to swim laps.
 - The Clubhouse kitchen remodel is nearly finished.
 - Talk is continuing concerning streetlights, a pool cover and electronic gates, these will be budget issues.
 - The first 2007 budget meeting is tentatively schedule for August 3 at 7 pm at the Clubhouse, all are invited to attend.
 - Ralph reminded everyone to drive slowly and safely within the Village.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Meg Grable

- There are over 400 dogs and 180 cats living within the Village.
- Meg reminded members to keep dogs from barking, to clean up droppings and to keep cats contained.
- There is approximately 1/3 more people residing in BBV than there were 10 years ago, many moving in from out of state.
- The majority of BBV owners are full-time residents.
- A big Thank You to the staff for their continued hard work, and to Ralph for the picture slide show of BBV.
- A special thanks to Jim Macmillan for his work on the Lakes issue.
- The following are works in progress for 2006:
 - Additional pilings in the marina – working with the Army Corps of Engineers on permitting
 - Additional cart paths have been created on the golf course.
 - The Do-Bees have contributed much time and assistance without any fanfare.

ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sherrie Bakke announced the election results:

360 qualified ballots were counted.

Bill Knowlton	207
Betty Mckinney	232
Jeff Morris-Read	291
Sandra Stillion	265

ADJOURNMENT:

- Motion made by Rebecca Caro, seconded by Kathy Bunker and carried, that the meeting adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Approved _____

Attest: _____

**OPEN FORUM
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HOMEOWNER'S COMMENTS
7:30 p.m.**

- **Sherry Rye, Div. 13, Lot 8 – she has issues with item #5 of audit (regarding the Vander Yacht Dock). She is appalled that this issue has not come to a conclusion. She referred to a letter written in 2002 regarding this issue. She feels the Board of Directors needs to finalize this issue. If the property owners die, or if the property is sold the dock should revert back to Birch Bay Village.**
- **Ralph Falk agrees that this issue needs to come to a conclusion – the Board of Directors is still working on it; trying to keep the costs from becoming extreme.**
- **Laura Kritz, Div. 15A, Lot 35 – Thanked the Lakes Committee for their work in trying to rid Thunderbird Lake and the other BBV lakes of algae. She also asked if anything was being done about the geese as they are becoming a problem.**
- **Jane Timmermans, Div. 12, Lot 7 – she is new to Birch Bay Village and is very happy to be a member here. She would like Security to stop letting people in to visit her without her permission. She wanted to know what she could do about it.**
- **Ralph responded that Meg Grable is working with Whatcom Security to solve this problem.**
- **Al Oakley, Div. 15A, Lot 12 – says the Board is doing a great job, everyone seems to work well together. Thank You.**