

**BIRCH BAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 3, 2006  
CHRIST THE KING FACILITY  
PEACE ARCH FACTORY OUTLET MALL  
3440 BIRCH BAY-LYNDEN ROAD  
8:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Ralph Falk, President</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Bob Boyd, Treasurer</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Valery Anderson, Secretary</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Deon Wiechmann, Board Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Sandra Stillion, Board Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Jeff Morris-Reade, Board Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Betty McKinney, Board Member</b>	<b>Present</b>

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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**BBV Board President, Ralph Falk welcomed member to the Birch Bay Village Community Club General Meeting and called the meeting to order at 8:06 P.M.**

**QUORUM:**

**Meg Grable stated a quorum was present.**

**AGENDA/RULES OF ORDER:**

- **Motion made by Vince Moriarty, seconded by Joan Adams, and carried, to accept the BBVCC General Meeting Agenda as written.**

**MINUTES:**

- **Motion made by Monty Whitt, seconded by John Myers, and carried, to accept the minutes, of the BBVCC Annual Meeting, November 4, 2005.**

**INTRODUCTION: Ralph Falk, President**

**The BBVCC Board Members and staff were introduced.**

**GUEST SPEAKER – Hal Hart/Director of Planning & Development of Whatcom County.**

- **He is appointed by the County Executive.**
- **Spoke on growth in all areas of Whatcom County**
- **In charge of building and long range planning for Whatcom County.**
- **Now is a good time to get involved with community as there will be a lot of growth going on in the Birch Bay area.**
- **The comprehensive plan can be viewed and read online. It can be updated and amended until the last day of December, after that it will be what he works off of.**
- **The County Council will vote on adopting the storm water proposal at their November 8, 2006 meeting.**
- **There are 7 main issues which people need to be aware of:**
  - **Roads – road standards now have to be thought of in urban terms. Nothing to state that development should pay for road improvements.**
  - **Shoreline enhancement – use a soft approach to create and improve the beach environment and to help control flooding.**
  - **Storm water control**
  - **Urban Design program**
  - **Transportation planning**
  - **Re-zoning**
  - **Incorporation. – state law says where there is urban growth, then the area should become a city.**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Ralph Falk**

- **Ralph commented on the fact that being Board president is both rewarding and challenging.**
- **A lot of projects were completed or are in the process of being done this past year, another great job done by volunteers and staff of BBV.**
- **Ralph reminded members to stay informed as to what is happening with greater Birch Bay Area. Attend meetings, be involved. County Council does listen to what community members have to say.**
- **Ralph and Bob Boyd are both off the Board; Ralph encourages members to run for the Board.**

**MANAGER'S REPORT: Meg Grable**

- **A big Thank You to the BBV staff, the volunteers and for all the support from BBV members.**
- **Thanked Chuck Wolfe – does the most volunteer work for BBV, particularly with regards to roads and drainage.**
- **Disaster Planning – BBV insures what it owns. In the event of a disaster, members need to have their own insurance.**
- **Marina – permits for 9 pilings have been applied for and approved.**
- **If anyone has questions concerning the Semiahmoo Project – please submit questions to the office, a meeting with Whatcom County representative, Jeff Munson will be set up for BBV members to have those questions answered.**
- **Wed. November 8, 2006 at 7 pm – Stormwater meeting to be held at Whatcom County Council chambers.**
- **Birch Bay Steering Committee – this takes a full-time commitment for someone to attend Steering Committee meetings and report back to BBV members.**
- **There is a handout showing the detour route for the next 3 weeks, while work is being done on Birch Point Road. The bus will continue to stop at the lower gate.**

**Budget Presentation – Bob Boyd**

- **Bob gave a summary of the 2006 budget.**
- **The Special Assessment is for an additional 8 hours of security patrol. This assessment will be included in the 2007 budget.**

**Budget Ratification – Sherrie Bakke, chairperson of the ballot counting committee.**

- **There were 556 valid ballots counted.**
- **288 voted NO, the budget is ratified.**
- **376 voted NO for the special assessment, the assessment passed.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- **Motion made by John Brown, Div. 12M Lot 15, seconded by Monty Whitt, Div. 9, Lot 43 and carried, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

**OPEN FORUM  
ANNUAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 4, 2005  
7:30 P.M.  
HOMEOWNER'S COMMENTS**

**Board President, Ralph Falk read the Rules of Order for the Forum. He introduced John Sand, representative for the Birch Bay Steering Committee. A lot is happening in the Birch Bay Community, the Village needs to stay aware and informed.**

- **John Kaye, Div. 2, Lot 7, commented on the fact that he is trying to establish a Teen Club in the Village for teenagers 13-19, he is asking the BBV members to support the Teens.**
- **Ralph commented on the 2 recent events the Teens had hosted, and stated the teens are well behaved and organized.**
- **Gerhardt Weachter, Div. 5, Lot 5, commented on the fact that property taxes could double, beginning in 2007. Keith Whitenour from the County Tax Assessor's office is willing to come out and speak to the members about this.**
- **Bill Quick requested a meeting be set up ASAP for Mr. Whitenour to come out and speak.**

**As there were no other members who wished to speak, BBV members were recessed until the General Meeting was called to order.**