



BALD HEAD ASSOCIATION 2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, January 28, 2017 – 9am

Bald Head Association – 111 Lighthouse Wynd

Board Members Present: Judy Porter, President
Eric Kozlow, Vice President
Joe Hawkins Secretary/Treasurer
John Fisher, Board member
Cam McIntyre, Board member
Doug Jenest, Board member

Staff Members Present: Carrie Moffett, Executive Director
Karen Mosteller, Architectural Review Coordinator
Diane Mesaris, Administrative Assistant
Jane Baldrige, Communications/Architectural Review Associate
Carol Gurda, Bookkeeper

CALL TO ORDER: President Judy Porter welcomed the members, thanked everyone for coming and introduced the Board members and staff who were present. She recognized the role volunteers play in the Association's work and asked individuals interested in volunteering with the Association, especially the Finance Committee and NR&B Committee to fill out available applications. She also noted that volunteer forms were available on the table under the screen and that Marilyn Ridgeway was selling raffle tickets for the 2016 Old Baldy Quilt in the kitchen.

PROOF OF QUORUM: Joe Hawkins announced that 100 members or proxies would constitute a quorum (Per Article III, Section IV of the Bylaws: "Section 4. Quorum. At the annual meetings and all special meetings, the presence of one hundred (100) members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast votes, shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or these Bylaws.") and that 767 proxies had been received by the deadline, representing 869 properties, which more than satisfied the requirement and constituted 60% of membership. That number does not include any ballots turned in at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Judy Porter asked for procedural voting for the approval of the 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes which had been posted on the website for review.

Motion by: Bob Porter

Seconded by: Peter Menk

Motion carried unanimously

RECOGNITION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE: President Judy Porter recognized the Nominating Committee for its successful efforts: John Alexander, David Jessen, John May, and

Joe Hawkins, Chair and Board Liaison

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES: Joe Hawkins introduced Eric Kozlow and Judy Porter as the nominees for the two open seats on the BHA Board of Directors and read their priority comments from their questionnaires.

President Judy Porter offered a procedural reminder on the election process: Proxies of members who previously mailed their proxies have already been counted. Members wishing to vote at the meeting must fill out a ballot form. Proxies cannot be accepted at the meeting. Ballot forms were distributed and collected by the Teller Committee during the ‘Call for Election.’

MERGER WITH BHI STAGE II ASSOCIATION: Judy Porter announced that the requisite number of 1,099 votes to approve the merger with the Stage II Association had not been reached. 869 properties voted by proxy; 269 votes remained for approval. She discussed the efforts BHA and Stage II had collectively put forth to meet the required threshold, including a history of merger discussions over the past several years. BHA’s Attorney, Andy McVey, discussed legal options available to the membership for proceeding. Judy Porter put the issue before the members for discussion.

Motion: Adjourn the meeting until the latest possible date allowed by the merger agreement and take every action necessary to reach the 1099 threshold prior to the adjourned membership meeting to be held on March 29, 2017.

Second: Bob Ketels

Approved by voice vote with one opposed

CALL FOR ELECTION: Judy Porter then called for the Teller Committee, consisting of Diane Mesaris, Ann Cathcart and Carrie Moffett, to collect any remaining ballots.

CLOSE OF ELECTION: When all of the ballots were collected, Judy Porter closed the election.

BHA ACCOMPLISHMENTS: On behalf of the Board, Judy thanked the Committee members for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Judy Porter then provided an overview of what the Association accomplished in 2015.

- Judy Porter reported that BHA today consists of 1464 properties with 886 of those built upon. The staff of the BHA help property owners navigate the ins and outs of property ownership on Bald Head Island. They communicate news, what is happening and other pertinent information in a timely manner. Provide the key service to all participating members; maintain archives of plans and paint colors on over 30 years and 84 drawers of house plans; and attend island entity meetings to keep property owners abreast of island goings on and advocate for the off-island property owner.

- Judy Porter reported that one of BHA’s main tasks is the responsibility of overseeing the architectural review process. She noted there had been over 130 projects reviewed, the major job of successfully updating the Design Guidelines as well as the countless, paint and tree requests and daily ARC related questions from property owners. Judy also noted the beginning of the archival project to scan and send to the cloud the 30+ years of plans and letters and the approval of new suggested paint palettes.
- Judy recounted many other the activities and accomplishments including sponsoring yoga, Pilates, CPR/AED training and card making classes, as well as hosting Pot luck dinners, a fashion show, Island Treasure event and a veterinary clinic.
- Judy highlighted the numerous forms of communication including 51 weekly eblasts along with additional special news updates, 12 issues of the full color *Island Report* (at a 75% savings to the membership), over 50 activity posters, creating a Facebook following of over 600 likes and upping the website traffic to over 9500 page views in a 30 day period.
- Judy pointed out that BHA held two successful Litter Sweeps along with the community garden major improvement.
- Judy informed that a leadership group had been convened among the Island’s entities and will meet regularly throughout the year. She also thanked the merger committee for all of its work throughout the year.
- **RECOGNITION OF OUT-GOING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Judy Porter gave recognition to the committee members whose 3-year term has expired:

Architectural Review Committee: Scott Bergeron and Diane Bloomfield

Communication, Education and Recreation Committee: Beth Kapil, Sara Fruechtenicht, FA McLeod, Barbara McQuaide and Brenda Quanstrom

Finance Committee: Suzi Buzzard

Natural Resources and Beautification Committee: Thompson & Katheryn Wyatt and Mark & Robin Prak

SHORT COFFEE BREAK - MEETING RESUMED AT 9:43am

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS: Various on-Island organizations were invited to speak on their challenges and successes during the previous year. Speakers were given 5 minutes each to present their respective reports with the exception of Joyce Fulton and Mayor Andy Sayre who

were given a little more time. Speakers included:

- Hon. Andy Sayre, Mayor of the Village of BHI
- Chris Webb, Executive Director of Old Baldy Foundation
- Joyce Fulton, Director of Communications for BHI Limited
- Cam McIntyre, Public Safety Auxiliary
- Dick Johnston, Vice President of the Village Chapel
- Chris Shank, Executive Director of the BHI Conservancy/Smith Island Land Trust
- Ricki Grantmyre, Vice President of the Stage II Association
- Robert Norton, General Manager of the BHI Club

QUESTIONS? Questions from the audience centered on broadband, merger of BHA and Stage II and assessments for the Battery 4 parcel.

ELECTION RESULTS: Judy Porter announced the election of Anne Boozell and the re-election of Eric Kozlow to the Board.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2016 BHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- New member Anne Boozell
- John Fisher
- Eric Kozlow
- Cam McIntyre
- Doug Jenest
- Judy Porter

RECOGNITION OF DEPARTING BOARD MEMBER: On behalf of the Board and staff, Judy Porter presented a gift of appreciation to Joe Hawkins for her years of service to the Board and to the Island in general.

ADJOURNMENT: Judy Porter announced that the meeting was adjourned until March 29, 2017, at 9am at the Association Center.