

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Board of Directors met in the Clubhouse, Hide-A-Way, Pearl River County, Mississippi, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December and the following proceedings were had and done.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President, Kathy Busco.

The roll call is as follows:

Kathy Busco, President	Present
John Rodish, Vice President	Present
Jim Danton, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Beth Ennis, Director	Present
Donna Ruston, Director	Present
Danny Stockstill, Director	Present
Jim Wells, Director	Present

All members of the Board were present or accounted for.

The Security Contractor's Report was presented for November 2007.

The Chair entertained a motion to waive the reading of the Minutes of the Board meeting of November 14, 2007. Jim Danton acknowledged the motion, Danny Stockstill seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting of November 14, 2007. John Rodish acknowledged the motion, Danny Stockstill seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Our fiscal year ended on September 30, 2007. The new fiscal year began October 1, 2007. Whitfield and Company PC has begun the audit on last year's business and to complete our tax returns. The draft of the audit will be available to the Board by month end. The auditor will recap with the Board at the work session in January.
2. Rodney Roche Construction has completed the removal of all debris from the spillway and the lake valve to the bridge. The contractor was paid \$9,000 for completion on November 19, 2007.
3. HAWL has received a proposal from Dungan Engineering, PA to prepare plans and bidding documents for the preventative maintenance to the bridge. They will also provide project oversight during the construction phase of the project to confirm that the contractor completes the work in accordance with plans and specifications. The resolution for hiring Dungan Engineering is forthcoming.
4. On November 21, 2007, the \$50,000 CD at Bank Plus was renewed for one year with a rate of 5%.
5. The CPI index for 2008 will be \$1.00, based upon the Social Security Administration CPI. This operational fee increase will begin on the next billing statements.
6. On January 9, 2008, the Lake Quality Committee will meet with MSU Extension Service for the "Lake Management Program". The board is invited to attend.

7. In November, all treatment plants were inspected: 37 were okay, 7 needed chlorine, and 1 pump was not working. In addition to the treatment plants, twenty-five septic tanks were inspected: 22 were okay and 3 require pumping.
8. The lake lowering will begin January 2, 2008. The valve will be closed no later than February 29, 2008.
9. January 28, 2008 is the court date for Chancery Court on the matter of HAWL versus the City of Picayune with regards to the Southgate issue.
10. The following is a report of our delinquent accounts:

47 accounts are in the process of being worked in-house	\$ 6,034.32
5 accounts have received judgments	\$ 5,452.08
11 accounts are being worked by attorney Rick Norton of Bryan Nelson Firm	<u>\$ 35,714.79</u>
Total	<u>\$ 47,201.19</u>

209 accounts were assessed the \$12.00 late fee in November.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Architectural/Variances** – Jim Wells

The number of houses to date, including any new home construction included in this report are 939. The architectural committee approved the following: (3) sheds, (2) wood fences, (1) terrace wall fence, (3) additions, (1) bulkhead, (1) driveway, and (1) chain link fence.

### **Finance Committee Report** – Jim Danton

\$ 55,811.97	Hancock Bank Checkbook Balance (Operating Account)	
1,200.00	Petty Cash	
<u>5,029.00</u>	Cash – Payroll	
<b>\$ 62,040.97</b>	<b>Total Checkbook, Payroll, and Petty Cash</b>	
\$ 64,998.09	Hancock Bank – Business Resource	
20,351.25	BankPlus Capital Reserve Account	
20,346.92	Regions Bank (formerly Union Planters Bank) Capital Reserve Account	
<u>74,387.36</u>	First National Bank Board Contingency Account	
<b>\$180,083.62</b>	<b>Total Savings</b>	
\$ 50,000.00	CD's Bank Plus	
40,000.00	CD's Edward Jones	
<u>35,000.00</u>	CD's Regions Bank (formerly Union Planters Bank)	
<b>\$125,000.00</b>	<b>Total CD's &amp; Investments</b>	
	<b>TOTAL RESERVE</b>	<b>\$305,083.62</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$367,124.59</b>
<b>\$ 127,115.43</b>	Checks and Debits made 10/26/07 through 11/25/07	
<b>\$ 142,264.84</b>	Deposits made 10/26/07 through 11/25/07	

**On December 5, 2007, during the work session the Board of Directors reviewed checks #020356 through #020416 which were disbursed 10/26/07 through 11/25/07.**

**Security Safety, Fire Committee & Boat Sub-Committee** – John Rodish

The Security Committee met on Wednesday, November 28, 2007. One of the issues discussed was the parking lot at the firehouse. We are trying to work with our business owner here, some of who have big trucks which cannot be parked on their lots. We made room for them at the firehouse but then it got overcrowded with all types of equipment being parked there. To get the area under control, Bruce had the spots numbered and now requires individuals register to park there. The number is limited so if someone wants to park there, they will have to have their names put on a waiting list.

Also discussed was the recent increase in vandalism including that which took place at the lodge with the destruction of the lodge coke machine, the broken beer bottles at the pavilion, as well as Christmas decorations being stolen from home owners' yards, trash cans being destroyed, etc. In addition to being fined, the individual(s), once caught, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent allowed by law. Many times, when such things happen, it is being done by repeat offenders who have not been deterred by being fined alone.

Guards now have headsets at the gate so they have a hands-free option to help handle the phone calls and the gate simultaneously. The committee will start work on a new violation form this month using examples we have received from other organization such as the state police. The new forms will have less writing for the security officer to do and more check boxes to facilitate the citation process and make the forms more readable.

Another major issue is the drugs we have here in HAWL. It would be naive to think this does not go on. The Sheriff's office is aware that there is a problem and are working with us to put a stop to it. If you notice any unusual activity going on, call Bruce. For example, if you see a house with fifteen cars coming and going in a day's time but those "visitors" only stay a few minutes; this would be considered unusual behavior. Your identification will be strictly kept anonymous and will not be disclosed to anyone. That is to safe-guard our residents from any kind of retaliation.

Off-road parking with regards to our lawn care contractors was discussed. These contractors have been contacted and reminded of the rules to prevent dangerous parking practices and security has been instructed to enforce these violations more aggressively. If a ticket is issued the lawn care contractor will be responsible for the citation and not the home owner.

December 5, 2007, made one year since the Southgate was blocked by the City of Picayune. Our attorney has told us that they received a large volume of documents from the City with a request to dismiss the case against them; which, of course, we will not do. It is evident that the City is going to continue to fight us on this giving us little choice but to go to court. The court date is scheduled for January 28, 2008.

**Lake Quality** – Danny Stockstill

Lake-water samples were taken from four locations on December 5, 2007. All samples were below the maximum allowable Mississippi standard level for recreational waters.

Rainfall data for the month of November was not received as of the completion of this report.

**Long Range Planning** – Kathy Busco

No new information to present.

**Social Committee** – Beth Ennis

The Social Committee along with quite a few volunteers met to decorate the lodge for Christmas and for Santa's visit. The Santa breakfast was a huge success and we appreciate everyone who volunteered their time for this event. Our Toys for Tots goal of 900 toys is projected to be met and we have letters of appreciation going out to the Marine and Navy personnel as well as the ROTC at the high school.

The *Picayune on Stage* dinner theater scheduled for February has been cancelled and a new play has been rescheduled March 29, 2008. The Committee will be purchasing with the proceeds from the Kid's Day this past summer, crepe myrtles to be planted around the playgrounds to provide more shade for the summer. The New Years Eve Dance is in danger of being cancelled – we have been given an extra week to try to get enough reservations to hold the dance. If anyone has any questions or would like to know what happens at the dance, call her, Danny Stockstill or the lodge to find out more.

**Public Affairs** – Donna Rushton

The Committee is looking for volunteers since there are only two members left.

Ed Goede, the chairman of this committee met with Mark Formby, our state legislator, about the issue of annexation without citizen approval. He said that each year it is brought up and it goes to committee and that is where it dies. It is opposed by the representatives of the cities because they don't want to be told what to do. Mr. Ed Goede would like to have a meeting in January with members to brainstorm ideas of ways to influence our legislators to try to get this bill through the committee.

Mr. John Rodish brought up an article from the Picayune Item regarding Picayune wanting the Utility Authority to install a \$28 million waste water treatment plant. The cost for them would vary since they already have sewer lines. The article went on to say that the treatment plant would provide needed room for Picayune to continue to grow.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

A resolution whereby the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. officially hires and contracts with Dungan Engineering, P. A., Consulting Engineers to provide the engineering services, specifications, bidding of project and follow through of bridge maintenance project.

WHEREAS on October 2, 2007, Dungan Engineering was hired by management to inspect our bridge, and;

WHEREAS Dungan Engineering determined that some preventative maintenance needs to be done, and;

WHEREAS Dungan Engineering recommends the remaining concrete spillway located under the bridge must be removed, the sides then slopped, covered with filter fabric and rip rap (rocks) to stop any future washout, and;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. approves the hiring and signing of a written contract with Dungan Engineering, P. A. which states the following:

1. Dungan Engineering, P. A. will prepare plans and bidding documents for the maintenance repairs to the existing bridge on Hide-A-Way Lane. These documents will be given to the contractors that HAWL invites to submit bids for the project. A pre-bid conference will be held at the bridge

site to discuss the project with the invited contractors. The bids will be checked by Dungan Engineering, P. A. for accuracy.

2. Dungan Engineering, P. A. will provide periodic project oversight during the construction phase of the project to confirm that the contractor completes the work in accordance with the plans and specifications. Dungan Engineering, P. A. will also review the contractor's invoices and make recommendations for payment to the HAWL Board.
3. Dungan Engineering, P. A. will provide the above services for a lump sum fee of \$6,000.

Resolution offered by Jim Danton seconded by Jim Wells on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

Kathy Busco – President	For
John Rodish – Vice President	For
Jim Danton – Secretary/Treasurer	For
Beth Ennis – Director	For
Donna Rushton – Director	For
Danny Stockstill – Director	For
Jim Wells – Director	For

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn given by Kathy Busco, John Rodish seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Directors.

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KATHY BUSCO, PRESIDENT

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JIM DANTON, SECRETARY/TREASURER

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF PEARL RIVER

I, Laura P. Miller do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcription, to the best of my skill and ability, of the Minutes taken at the meeting of the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc., held in the Clubhouse at Hide-A-Way Lake on the 12th day of December, 2007

THIS, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

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LAURA P. MILLER