Raccoon Point Road Maintenance Association Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: September 7, 2006 – 4:30pm **Meeting Location:** Fant Hangar, Eastsound, WA

Board Members:

Present: Rebecca Earnest, Sean Roach, Bathan Shaner, Lynn Richards, Rick Fant

Absent: Jim Biddick Quorum present? Yes

Others Present: None

Proceedings:

- 1. Meeting called to order at 4:34pm by association president, Rick Fant.
- 2. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: There was discussion regarding the corrections made by Rebecca Earnest; Sean Roach stated that they did not affect the substance and were strictly typo corrections.
 - a. Upon MOTION duly made and seconded –By a vote of 5 votes (none opposed), the August 7th RPRMA Board Meeting Minutes were approved.
 - b. Upon MOTION duly made and seconded –By a vote of 5 votes (none opposed), the August 31st RPRMA Board Meeting Minutes were approved.
- 3. Preparation for RMA/Bylaws Review Session: There was discussion about the hope for good turnout at the event, which is scheduled for Sunday, September 10th at 2:00pm at the Eastsound Fire Hall. Rick encouraged as many board members as possible to attend and to invite members who may have input. Additionally, Rick discussed his intention to "walk through the documents" and let members discuss changes which the board would vote on.
- 4. Schedule for Fall Grading and Spring Work: It was brought to the board's attention that the Postal Service as of approximately one week ago is refusing to deliver mail above Region "A" because of the poor condition of the road. There was discussion about what could be done to resolve the problem, and the obstacles were identified as being threefold. 1.) The road is too dry to accept any substantial grading or upgrade. 2.) The association currently has no funds. 3.) There appears to be little desire for an immediate repair. Rick suggests doing nothing while we wait for invoicing and funds to come available and weather to cooperate in making the road suitable for improvement.
 - a. Upon MOTION duly made and seconded –By a vote of 5 votes (none opposed), the RPRMA Board agrees to state that we have evaluated the situation and will consider a fall grading when physical conditions have improved (moisture) and money is available.

Additional discussion was focused on the possible waste of money in a fall grading without new rock on the road. Bathan stated that in his excavation experience, without some new base rock, the road would return to its current state in approximately 2 months after a grading.

5. *Update on Committee Activity:* Rick discussed his attempts to contact Jack Jackson at the Buck Mountain Homeowners Association, Mr. Jackson is out of

town and he advised the board that he would continue trying. Lynn discussed his contact with Paul Dossett, San Juan County Assessor, regarding variances and how the county determines that. He stated that Mr. Dossett was sending 2 forms that the county uses for variances based on 1.) Non-Profit Organizations and 2.) Senior Citizens. There was discussion on the possibility of a variance based on age, and the board agreed to move forward and discuss that at a later date. Rebecca brought up the issue of buildable versus non-buildable lots and forestland variances. Board discussed this and agreed to go over it after the draft documents were finished. According to Lynn and Rick, both documents are on track for a September 26th draft.

- 6. Road Sign Options: Rick discussed the fact that he, Jim, and Rebecca have been working on new sign options. Discussion focused on the desire that the sign appeal to people for consideration of the road. It should also remind people that the RPRMA has been formed and is working to improve the road. Rick suggested that a committee be formed to come up with official verbiage for the sign.
 - a. Upon MOTION duly made and seconded By unanimous agreement, a committee was formed, with Rebecca as chair to come up with new verbiage and facilitate replacement of the Raccoon Point entry sign.
- 7. *Member Communications:* Rick discussed his desire to keep private information safe as much as possible in all communications. He reminded the board that by using the "BCC" function of email that it would be more appropriate for member privacy.
 - a. Upon MOTION duly made and seconded by unanimous agreement the board decided that in all future communications with members, the association will not send out personal information, including but not limited to addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses.
- 8. *Other Business:* Lynn discussed the "senior exemptions" discussion that he had with Mr. Dossett in more detail with regard to the association variances. Emails were discussed and Rick committed to making sure that sent emails would be important to reduce chatter.
- 9. *Meeting Adjournment:* Upon MOTION duly made and seconded, by unanimous agreement the meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm.

Respectfully submitted

Sean Roach Association Secretary