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**Subject: Road Maintenance Association meeting of 25 September 2009** 



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All: we held a meeting of the Road Maintenance Association on Friday, 25 September at our house.

Road Repairs: West Sound Engineering suggested that we complete a number of road repairs still outstanding from the December 2007 rains before the coming winter. We'd previously identified six locations that were in need of repair and obtained bids from three companies. At the meeting, we decided to accept the low bid (\$3,000 from Ed Heuss) to complete the repairs. Additionally, we plan to have Huess Construction do the work to extend the culvert under the intersection of Dosewallips and Leeward when they repair this section of the road. We also plan to have him pave in a couple of pull-outs on Leeward to improve safety.

Ditches and Conveyances: ditches and conveyances on a number of the properties are overgrown with alders and scotch broom. To ensure they work as designed, we agreed to hire a company to remove the overgrowth from the effected conveyances. I'm meeting with a company this week to show them the work we want done.

Additional Engineering: we agreed that we needed to restore the roads, conveyances and ditches to their design condition as approved by the county. This means completing the road repairs and clearing the ditches and conveyances. We decided that there was no need at this point to pay for additional engineering studies or design work.

Status of RMA Fund: Mike Hancock reviewed that status of the RMA fund. The current balance is about \$17,000. This reflects our contributions from last year, the major repairs



to the lower section of Leeward, and attorney's fees to draft the Road Maintenance Association agreement and bylaws. Chris Gintz agreed to be a second signatory on the RMA account so that both Mike and Chris's signatures will be required for any future transactions.

RMA Agreement and Bylaws: we need to get a final version out to all RMA members so that you can review and sign them. More to follow on this.

Winter Snow Clearing: there was discussion on how we would maintain the roads accessible if there were winter snows like last year's. Concern was expressed that the gates installed on the waterline road that provides access to Pioneer Road would eliminate this backup route to our neighborhood during inclement weather. A number of us have had conversations with the property owner where the gates are located. He said that during severe weather, he would leave the gates open. He also said that he's having issues with trespassers and vandals on his property. The gates are intended to deter them, not impede our emergency access. I'll do some market research to find out if there is a snow plow/removal business in the area similar to what is typical on the East Coast to determine if we can establish some kind of agreement to provide for clearing during snowy conditions.

Annual Assessment: a motion was made to assess ourselves on an annual basis to pay for maintenance of the road and conveyance system. For example, in five to ten years, it will be necessary to re-surface all the roads. A sum of \$250 was proposed for lot owners on the upper part of Leeward and Dosewallips; \$150 for the lower section. Since not all property owners were represented at the meeting, would appreciate you indicating by email if you are in agreement with this proposed assessment.

Lynda Lamb kept notes from the meeting. Lynda, if I've missed anything, feel free to add on.

That's all for now.

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