

Dear Ranchos Property Owners:

By now, you should have received the 2017 Road Maintenance newsletter. As usual, the newsletter skips over much of the things that might be of interest to property owners so here are some items:

- 1) On the 4 1/2 miles of chip sealing that was done: Oh, they told us what was paved but left out any mention that one of those miles was done in front of the president and another board member's houses when Hokulani and the road between Maile and Bougainvillea on Kamaaina is a mess! They also paved ¼ mile of a dead-end road with only one resident (who just happens to be another HRRMC board member)?
- 2) Private drives got done at the same time rancho roads were done (not a big deal) until the contractor ran out of material for our roads, delaying our project!
- 3) A knowledgeable member of community asked about quality controls since they observed inferior work on the roads. (The minutes..... no mention of quality control.....)
- 4) \$4,000 was spent to pave the HRRMC parking lot. No board vote. Reason: the weed whacker kicks up gravel when weeding.

Now there is this little matter of the "demand" mentioned on the first page of the newsletter. The Law (Hawaii Revised State Statutes) says any property owner may DEMAND minutes, financial records (audits), and a membership list. By law, HRRMC has 5 business days to comply with the request.

- 1) Members of the community requested **minutes** for five years, **audits** for 10 years, and a **membership list**, all which the law requires the corporation to give to members upon request.
- 2) The Road Maintenance by-laws require an annual audit.
- 3) After eight weeks of stalling and being petitioned by owners, the Board said they would comply.
- 4) **NO audits, No minutes and NO membership list** were received by requesting community members.
- 5) Incomplete minutes were posted on the website 2 days before request was due.
- 6) Did you know that the annual meeting is considered "a party"? Hmmmm.....NO minutes to document the results of the election announced at the annual meeting?
- 7) As to the membership list.... well... members were given a map of Ranchos and told to look people up on tax code website.
- 8) **The Board voted to stop doing audits in 2014.** What? You read it right! Audits are required annually by the by-laws.

Other serious matters:

- 1) No bonding. The Bylaws require people who handle money to be bonded. When asked, the president said the "Bylaws are only a guideline," not governing documents.
- 2) **Office personal have given out your private information.** Plus, one property owner had their banking information revealed to a 3rd party!!
- 3) Maira Fogelvick (wife of current president) resigned as office manager. Who did the HRRMC board hire? The wife of the vice-president. LOL!! Guess we should all cozy up to the board and see if they will hire us, too! Enough with the cronyism and nepotism.
- 4) Why give this board the right to change the Bylaws when they don't acknowledge them, follow them or the Hawaii laws for that matter?

Photos and documents substantiate everything.

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The annual meeting has been in November for the past few years. The president and the office were contacted and they both confirmed it would be in November but didn't have a date.

The board asked the League of Women Voters to run the election but called up two days later and cancelled! WHY? The people storing and counting the ballots are now a small community church with strong ties to Ranchos.

Concerned owners got together to nominate qualified people to be put on the ballot. After receiving six nominations from community members, the HRRMC board suddenly sent out their newsletter and a ballot. But somehow the six nominees are not on the ballot.....

WHAT HAPPENED? With no board vote, the HRRMC board decided to change the meeting to October. This way, they could claim that these nominations had not been received in time. It actually states in the newsletter, *page 2: Election of Board Membership*, that people only make the board through the appointment process. Interesting..... Does this mean that the board takes the new members for a "test drive" [Forgive the analogy. Too Much *Motor Week!*]. If they think that everyone will play nice together and will not dissent with the board, then you go up for election by the membership?

Think we are kidding? Read the minutes posted on the website. Are there any members opposed?

Why does the newsletter not once but twice say become a board member when they change the meeting date to fit their purpose to maintain control of the board and want you to vote to change the by-law to eliminate open board positions?

WRITE-IN VOTES ARE PERMITTED!

Since the bylaws do not prevent write-ins, then write away!!!! The HRRMC board must accept them in accordance with *Robert Rules* (see elections). The HRRMC only receives around 200 votes; there are 1227 owners. VOTE! Have your voice heard! Put new blood on the board!

Enclosed you will find the bios of the six nominees. They are all hardworking, talented members of our community. They know what deep do-do they are getting into and have pledged to donate their skills and talents to bettering our community and fixing up this issue.

HOW TO WRITE IN:

Any blank space on the ballot is fine. Print clearly and cleanly the names of the write-ins and put an "x" beside their names. Please do a write-in vote for each of them. **VOTE FOR A BETTER RANCHOS! IT IS YOUR MONEY! CONCERNED PROPERTY OWNERS**

Stanley Troeller
Jerry Halvorsen

George Cline
Ray Raquinio

Larry Shelton
Jerry Fine

VOTE VOTE IT IS YOUR MONEY !

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