



**HGMD 2025 Budget Review Meeting
November 13, 2024, 6 pm – 8 pm**

MINUTES

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Eloise Laubach, Forrest McClure, Robin O'Meara, and Daniel Taylor

OPENING REMARKS Daniel Taylor, President

PRESENTATION OF THE 2025 BUDGET – PowerPoint in the Meeting Packet

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

QUESTION:

Sue McBeth, HGA Secretary

- Administrative Assistant - Clubhouse - \$4,300 - Page 3-2 - should be a different amount - need to take a look and update that number
- Rent - Do the rental spaces include the Management Office, Boardroom, and Maintenance Building?

ANSWER: Yes, it does

QUESTION

Mike Pula - HGA Vice President, Building 243

- Are the Security Offices on the first floor of the clubhouse available for rent?

ANSWER: No

QUESTION

Mike Pula - HGA Vice President, Building 243

- You have approved Capital Expenditures of almost \$900,000 + this year
- With so many projects, how are you going to pay for all of these items out of the Capital Reserves?
- What is the thinking behind this reduction of the capital reserves?

ANSWER:

- We have not spent \$900,000 this year. The \$2 million re-piping of the golf course was not approved by HGMD. There was no proposal, no substantiation for the project other than a statement of a lot of repairs.
- HGMD requested but did not receive competitive bids for any projects budgeted in the Manager's Budget
- Restaurant Committee - we are not currently approving projects for 2025. An overall plan is being worked on, so that the smaller projects we do on an annual basis will be consistent.

QUESTION

Sid Vollema

- Why are we are depleting our savings account and jeopardizing the Capital Reserves account for the future?

ANSWER:

- HGMD carried many projects forward from 2022 and 2023 which were done this year
- We requested the invoices so we can enter the assets into the capital reserve plan. HGA refused to give us the invoices until two weeks ago in response to court ordered discovery through the lawsuit
- We will update the component list from 2019, so we can create a plan for 2025 and future years
- HGMD did not have a capital reserve until a few years ago when the law changed allowing special districts to maintain a capital reserve. We have spent less than our Operating Budget in 2024

Jean Baldwin Quoted \$49,000 for the administrative assistant - thank you, Jean

QUESTION – Resident, Name not recorded

- Is security moving off the premises? We need to keep safe

ANSWER:

- There is room for Security on the second floor. Security will not be reduced, but we need the first floor offices. HGA will determine where they are located. We want to protect the staff and guests in the clubhouse by posting a guard in the lobby
- No decisions have been made yet regarding HGMD security – we are still researching options for service to meet the District needs

QUESTION

Sally Pula:

Where is the snow removal and landscaping costs in the budget?

ANSWER:

- Those duties don't have line items because they'll no longer be billed out hourly. The groundskeepers who mow the grass will remove snow. We took those hours and put them into full time positions

QUESTION

Steve Everett, CP 1

What about Security after hours to protect the RV Lot and Golf Course?

ANSWER:

- We looked at what security currently is doing and evaluated our needs.
- We are looking at proposals for a variety of options including, patrol, cameras, and a variety of hours.

QUESTION

Sid Vollema

- We have capital reserves to protect the investment of HGMD. Why are we are reducing the amount put into the capital reserves rather than increasing it

ANSWER: Forrest McClure: There was a time when the Metro District could not have a Capital Reserve account...because we can sell bonds. The law changed and we started a capital reserve fund. At one time, there was absolutely no money budgeted for taking care of this building.

- We moved some of the capital expenditures to the operating budget where those expenses should be for repairing the clubhouse, etc.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:10 PM



Robin O'Meara, Secretary
HGMD Board of Directors