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To All HLPOA Members;

First let me thank all those members involved with last summer's annual meeting for being involved with the events. After seeing the need early on for communication and developing long lasting friendships both Tina and I decided we really needed to become more actively involved.

While some annual meetings can be more peaceful than others, ours had more of a sense of urgency for expression of individual and group ideas as well as issues with the past board members and the lack of communication with the membership. Surely, there may have been other avenues to discuss issues, but considerations for ideals and feelings of others should not be attacked but shared and recognize our investment in Hidden Lake Subdivision.

Over the course of the last several months, some comments have been posted on the HL News website and the HLPOA organizational site about the resignations of Greg Ogawa, Mark Fleenor and Guy Pierce shortly after the annual meeting. I personally want to thank them for their efforts and volunteer service. Both Mike Vorst and I offered, to Kay Phillips and the Board, to serve in the capacities which we were elected and nominated for on the Board. However, the Board elected Bob McCornack as a Director until the next annual meeting and Scott Jones to the position of RMC for Joe Stehling who resigned the position. While one may remember a By-Law offered by Greg Ogawa about the timing to begin after the annual meeting, in light of the circumstances, it would have been beneficial for all the membership to have the By-Law Proposals prior to the annual meeting. I would request that if there are those in the membership that do wish to submit proposed By-Laws modifications that they are provided early enough for the entire membership to review in a timely and professional manner to benefit the organization.

Through the Fall and Winter of 2006, Ann Schroeder and Sandra Stokes have helped with the financial transition of sharing some of the information with Mike Vorst and me. The new board is working to develop for future members a Transition Guideline for the President and Vice-President and the Treasurer and Accountant. Personal circumstances precluded Kay from being more forthcoming with insight during the transition. One must provide direction and give attention to the position they volunteer for and truly consider this a privilege to serve. If you lose interest then your interest in others and their ideals are all in jeopardy.

In the upcoming Board Conference Call Meeting we are covering some items of Old Business such as the Hidden Lake Access issues carried over from the past Board, Transition of Responsibilities, along with some new items, 2007 Budget Review, Expense submittals, Snow Plow Repairs, Security Training for Property Manager, One Lot(Owner)/ One Vote for Board members and Future HLPOA Equipment Needs. Other areas of concern involve completion of the subdivision fencing and cattle guard, infrastructure and utility markers for the Snow Plow and the possibility of developing a Hidden Lake Subdivision Master Plan.

We, as a membership, will have some difficult choices in the near future and I truly urge everyone to participate in surveys and discussions forthcoming.

We will publish our conference call meeting minutes for all to review. Please write or call with points of interest or concerns anytime.

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