August 1, 2006

Latitude 49 Grounds Beautification Committee

The meeting came to order at 9AM. Those present were:

Charlie Jenkins, Board Rep Sue Wickersham, Chair Dottie Barnicoat, Secretary Marcia Slaton

Charlie gave a progress report on Dave's work on the grounds. He also reported that the guard shack will be painted this weekend.

Agenda for work parties was discussed and it was decided to dispense with weekly committee meetings and instead set aside each Tuesday as work party mornings. We decided to place the picture poster of the grounds above the coffee area in the club house with a notice about the work party days and time.

We discussed our priorities and decided to clean out the bed behind the guard shack and prepare the ground for a succulent garden with perhaps some plants donated from the gardens of our residents with accents of sea shells, rocks and drift wood done tastefully. It was also decided to postpone our second priority of the flag pole area until later after the design has been given more consideration.

For the next work parties, we will concentrate on cleaning up the beds around the common area to give the entire central common area a neater appearance. There are many plants that have become diseased and will not survive which will eventually need to be replaced. This was discovered during a walk around the common areas and in discussion with David our maintenance man.

It was decided that Sue, Dottie and Marcia would travel to Anacordes to shop for a light house for the front of the guard shack and also to go beach combing for sea shells, driftwood and rocks to complete the theme for that area.

Upon inspecting the newly planted beds in front of the signs at the entrance, we decided that we needed four more plants and that some of the plants needed to be relocated. Marcia and husband, Gerry volunteered to get started while Dottie went to purchase the plants.

Next work party will be Tuesday August 8 at 9:30 AM.

Next committee meeting will be August 22, at 10 AM

Dottie Bamicoat, Secretary