Minutes
GHI Board of Directors - Special Meeting
August 30, 2007

Present: Hickey, Mazursky, Robles, Lauber, Lewis, Alpers, Agans, McFadden, Morse.

Others in Attendance: Gretchen Overdurff, General Manager
Matt Berres, Landscape Specialist
Joan Krob as Recording Secretary
Dianne Wilkerson, Chair, Audit Committee

President Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Contract to Treat Invasive Plants, Parcel B – 1st Reading

Landscape Specialist Berres gave an overview of the Forest Conservation Program from its inception in the mid-1970. He reviewed the work he has been doing with the Woodlands Committee in keeping within the framework of the Forest Management Agreement. At this time staff is proposing a multi-stage forest stewardship in GHI's largest parcel, Parcel B. Parcel B is the largest and most ecologically diverse of GHI forest land, and is threatened by a spreading swath of non-native invasive plants that are negatively impacting native plant species and forest health.

Berres described the proposed project stages and explained how the process would be handled. He assured the Board that the work to be done through contracted services would be an integrated pest management approach that blends mechanical, cultural, and chemical tools to control the non-desirable vegetation while minimizing herbicide use.

Because of the sensitive nature of the project, staff will send informational letters to members whose homes are in close proximity of the parcel being treated to make them aware of what is happening.

MOTION: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZES THE MANAGER, FOR FIRST READING, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GREENSKEEPER ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC TO REMOVE AND TREAT INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES IN PARCEL B AT A COST, NOT TO EXCEED $4,280.00.

Moved: Lauber Seconded: Morse Carried 8-0

MOTION: TO ADJOURN.

Moved: McFadden Seconded: Agans Carried 8-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Dorothy Lauber
Secretary