

Mobile Home Advisory Board [MHAB]

Meeting Notes

May 22, 2006



1. **Call to Order** Chair Boskovich called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

2. **Roll Call**

In Attendance:	Members Absent:	Council Liaisons:	City Staff:
Barbara Boskovich Steve Gullage Daniel Kittredge Mark Porter Brenda Schock	Cynthia Goebel		Terri King

3. **Approval of the Meeting Notes for the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2006.**

Gullage motioned and Boskovich seconded approval of the Meeting Notes for the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2006. **The motion passed (2 ayes, 0 opposed, 3 abstentions, 1 absent).**

4. **Public Comments**

a. None

5. **Staff Report**

a. King informed Members that Goebel, though absent, had left a report on the Members' tour of the Landmark community after installation of fiber optics, for consideration that evening. She also updated Members with regard to the current recruitment for MHAB Members, adding that the recruitment will be open through July 31, 2006.

6. **Old Business**

a. City Attorney Review of Draft FAQ on "Responsibilities of Park Owners in Connection With Moist Soil and the Potential of Mold"-King informed Board Members that there had been no response from the City on the Draft FAQ. She added that information from the County Health Department on mold and what to do if mold is present in your home had been copied and was available to guests and members that night. Gullage complained that the issue as who is responsible for damages caused by the moisture in the soil underneath homes within mobile home parks was not being investigated or settled. Gullage informed the Board that the State of California Housing and Community Development Department had also not responded with their legal department's opinion on the same issue. It was discussed that the remedies to soil moisture problems can be expensive. Schock mentioned that a number of

mobilehome owners within the Huntington Shorecliff Mobile Home Park have installed pumps and fans to help remove the moisture from beneath and inside their homes. Chair Boskovich commented that people need to know who to turn to if they are experiencing problems with moisture in the soil and directed Gullage to pursue the moisture/mold legal opinion from HCD to forward to the City Attorney's consideration in generating an opinion from the City.

- b. Verizon Fiber Optics –Boskovich complimented Goebel on her report of their tour of Landmark. She added that she, as a visitor at Landmark, in looking around the community, would never have known that fiber optics had been installed. She said that Landmark felt that the key to their successful installation by Verizon was the verbiage in their contract requiring, '*...that the area of installation be left in the same or better condition than it was prior to Verizon's installation.*' They stated that Verizon wanted to do a good job to provide an example of the kind of work they do for those who, in the future, might be considering installing fiber optics in their community. Porter commented that Landmark had a lot of open space and grass, which served as an advantage to Verizon. Members noted that it was more obvious elsewhere in the City where Verizon had installed fiber optics due the discoloration of concrete and asphalt as it ages.

7. New Business

- a. Guest Speaker – Terri King, as guest speaker, shared information regarding the City of Huntington Beach Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program and distributed information on the program to guests.
- b. Speaker for June Meeting – King and Gullage informed Members that Senator Dunn and his assistant cannot speak at MHAB meetings because they are held on Monday evenings. It was decided that Schock would invite a representative from the County of Orange to speak on mold issues. Gullage suggested that, in the future, a person be asked to speak on the current scams being employed and aimed at the elderly.
- c. Location for Off-Site MHAB Meeting on June 20, 2006 – It was decided that the next MHAB meeting would be held at the Huntington Shorecliff Mobile Home Park on Monday, June 26, 2006, at 6:30 pm.

8. Member Comments

- a. Boskovich said that Cynthia Goebel had met Bruce Matthias, Southern California Regional Representative from the Western Manufactured Housing Association, who is willing to come and speak. She also asked that the Staff Liaison check to see if a lawsuit had been filed with the City of Huntington Beach in connection with the City's Mobile Home Park Conversion Ordinance.

9. Public Comments

- a. (none)

10. Next Agenda

a. Old Business

1. Legal Opinion from City of Huntington Beach City Attorney on the Responsibilities Associated with Soil Moisture and Mold Within Huntington Beach Mobile Home Parks

b. Legal Opinion from the Legal Division of HCD on the Responsibilities Associated with Soil Moisture and Mold Within Mobile Home Parks

c. New Business

1. Guest Speaker: Frederic Chung, REHS Environmental Health Specialist II, County of Orange Health Care Agency, "Mold and Moisture Problems and Remedies Thereof"
2. Guest Speaker for the July 24, 2006 MHAB Meeting.
3. Location for September Off-Site Quarterly MHAB Meeting

11. Adjournment

Kittredge motioned and Porter seconded adjournment of the meeting to June 26, 2006. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. Vote: 5 ayes, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 1 absent

The next MHAB meeting will be held on June 26, 2006, at 6:30 pm, at the Huntington Shorecliff Mobilehome Park Clubhouse, 20701 Beach Blvd, Huntington Beach, CA.