Minutes of the March 27th, 2025 MISCA Trustees' meeting

There was no regular MISCA trustee meeting in February. Three trustees approved the February warrant by e-mail.

Summary of the February warrant:

Income:	\$1,907.
Expenses:	\$2,341.
MICCAA	\$40.661

 MISCA Account:
 \$40,661.

 Money Market Account:
 \$127,148.

 MCRF:
 \$33,142.

 Buy Back CD:
 \$91,987.

 New Projects CD:
 \$15,189.

Attending by Zoom: Mia Boynton, Mary Weber, Jon Floyd, Lisa Brackett, and Nick Cennamo (trustees); Melissa Dudek (treasurer), Richard Farrell (secretary), Pam Rollinger, Melanie Greatorex, Carley Feibusch, Tobey Levine, Allie Kiphuth, Peter Johnson, Jim Buccheri, Amelia Acconciamessa, and Danik Farrell.

The trustees voted to accept the minutes of January 29th, 2025 and to accept the treasurer's report.

Summary of the treasurer's report:

Income:	\$11,702.
Expenses:	\$2,979.
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MISCA Account:	\$45,383.
Money Market Account:	\$127,148.
MCRF:	\$37,132.
Buy Back CD:	\$92,487.
New Projects CD:	\$15,189.

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Meadow Lots:

No update from Mia and Amelia. Jim and Christian expect a site visit and financing by the end of April.

Store:

Lisa reported that Brandon has fixed the store ramp that was damaged by the plow. A short discussion concluded that if this had been a larger expense it would have been the Plantation's responsibility.

MICA Building:

Pam suggested taking down the laundry sign and posting a notice that the laundry is closed – along with a similar notice on-line.

Jim asked if having the laundry open depended on its operating within the constraints of the septic system.

Pam said (that according to the DEP) MISCA needs to know how much water *per day* the laundry uses. She offered to send information about the septic system design to the trustees.

Jim reported that for the Post Office both screen doors and the main threshold need work.

Overlook and Underlook:

The trustees met in executive session to discuss Overlook. MISCA will send a notice to MISCA registrants that Overlook is available for rent.

Fundraising:

Milo Greatorex-Way gave an update on the Cardboard Regatta (scheduled for August 7^{th} , 2025). Special tee shirts should be available by June 1^{st} . Matt Weber may be the judge (there is a need for a back-up judge as well). There is a need for prizes donated by island businesses. And a need for a poster design.

MCRF: no update.

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Old Business:

Jim noted that the broadband trunk line that crosses the right-of-way to the Odom Lots (recently purchased by MISCA) needs to be buried in conduit at a projected cost of \$3,000 to \$5,000. He asked if MISCA would agree to pay that cost.

In the discussion the trustees suggested that responsibility for burying the conduit may lie with Axiom and the Plantation. Several people suggested that Axiom be approached to pay for the conduit. Carley offered to talk at the April 10th Assessors meeting with Jaye Morency (who has been representing the Plantation to Axiom throughout the island's broadband project).

New Business:

Mia reported that MISCA had completed the purchase of the two Odom Lots on February 6^{th} .

Mary suggested that MISCA develop a strategic plan for the lots. She stated that MISCA should shift its attention and excitement to the use of the lots and that this should become a focus of fundraising.

Carley reported that the Lincoln County grant to Monhegan for affordable housing should soon enable the Plantation to hire a consultant who could help determine the best possible uses for the lots.

She has been in conversation with the Maine Land Use Planning Commission (LUPC). A LUPC staffer asserts that the 20,000 square foot minimum lot size can be reduced if there is a plan for adequate disposal of septic waste. Affordable housing on Monhegan could benefit by researching new types of septic systems.

Mia reported on a meeting with the president and vice-presidents of Monhegan Associates (MAI). MAI will determine whether their trustees will support giving land to MISCA.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, May 7th at 5:30 on Zoom (and possibly also at the Library).