Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. Board members present were Mark Hesse, John Manka, John Koller, Bob Backle, Carol Kumpost, Gail Hesse and Karen Ruffin. The meeting was held at the Larkspur Fire Station. This was the annual meeting of members of the Sage Port HOA as defined in ARTICLE III, Sect 3.2 of the BYLAWS.

Secretary's Report: None of the members in attendance requested that the minutes of the Annual Meeting held in January of 2003 be read in their entirety. The Board of Directors had previously approved these minutes at the February 2003 meeting.

The Secretary reported that there were 183 paid members of the Association.
Election of Officers: The main item on the agenda was the election of officers for the coming year.

The Nominating Committee had presented to the Board the names of 10 residents willing to run for the position of Director. The Board then sent a newsletter to all residents that contained a ballot with instructions on how to vote in person or by proxy. The ballot also included 3 proposed Amendments to the Bylaws. John Manka, the chair of the Nominating Committee, explained how the votes would be tallied and answered questions from the audience.

The newsletter also served as Notice of the Annual Meeting to be held January 28, 2004 at the Larkspur Fire Station.

President Hesse opened the voting procedure by announcing the floor was open for any additional nominations. There were none and floor nominations were closed. Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved that Karen Ruffin would cast the proxy ballots on behalf of, and as cast by, those not voting in person.

Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved that a non Board member and non candidate be appointed to over see the voting procedure. Ann Lucia was appointed for that purpose.

At this point in the election process Ernie Rondeau made a quorum call. It was determined that there were not enough members voting in person or by proxy to constitute a quorum as defined in Article III, Sect. 3.10 of the Bylaws. This meant that the meeting should adjourn and another election will need to be held to elect the Directors. A motion was made from the floor by Dan Krueger that this section of the Bylaws be set aside and the election proceed. That motion was seconded and by a vote of 16 (yes) to 4 (no) the motion passed.

Not knowing if the motion by Mr. Krueger was legally possible under the Bylaws, it was decided to proceed with the voting procedure to preserve the record. The results of the election were to be reported at the end of the meeting.

Financial Business: The Treasurer's report showed year to date income of \$18,120.07 and year to date expenses of $\$ 12,643.33$. Carol Kumpost also presented the 2004 Proposed Budget and answered questions about both the YTD financials and the proposed budget

President's Report: Mark took a few minutes to recap the events of the past year. It was the desire of this Board to increase community awareness and communication. He thanked all of those who participated in the first annual barbeque and the two free slash collection days, as well as others who had served on various committees.

Q \& A: Several residents voiced their disappointment about the chain link fence that Gene Taylor had erected behind their properties. Bob Backle had investigated these concerns and found that Mr. Taylor was fully in the right to do so. Dan Krueger suggested that perhaps the residents could present a petition to Mr. Taylor that defined their concerns and any reasonable suggestions they might have to remedy the visual appearance of the fence. C.J. Meyer requested a status of the issue regarding tree houses. Bob Backle reported that he had also investigated this issue and there was nothing that could be done to prevent the construction of tree houses if they blended in with the surroundings.

Mike Smith representing Qwest asked if he could take a few minutes to report on the progress of DSL. He explained that the initial capacity had been bought out in the first week. Due to an internal glitch, when residents were calling about DSL they were being told it was not available in the Sage Port area. Gail Hesse had sent Mike an email detailing the problem and he wanted to come to the meeting to assure everyone that extra capacity was being added.

Preliminary Election Results: Under the ballots cast, the Amendments to the Bylaws passed by a vote of 46 (yes) to 4 (no). The individuals who were voted to the position of Director were: Karen Ruffin, Carol Kumpost, John Manka, Mark Hesse, Bob Backle, Greg Cannon, and Joyce Skidmore.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Karen Ruffin
Secretary

