Tides West Association Members,

Board Policy: Your board has approved a policy for the enforcement of bylaws and covenants based on current Association governing documents as well as state codes under RCW 64.38. The policy is posted on the Tides West Association web page. Currently this policy would only impact three members out of 125 who have delinquent dues and one who has a long-standing delinquent fine.

You may pose questions or make suggestions clicking the "contact" link in the upper right hand corner of the Association website. That way the whole board will view them and decide, as a board, how to respond.

Annual Dues: You should have received notice of annual dues toward the end of November. To date, 65 of 125 members have currently paid. Keep in mind that payments are due in January and accounts not paid by February first will incur an additional \$10 late fee. Payments not received by April first will incur an additional \$25 penalty. A special thanks to all who have paid or will pay by the end of January.

Financials: Tides west is not exempt from the impact of the rising costs of doing business. As costs increase and income (dues) remains the same, we have instituted some cost saving measures related to maintenance of park and beach trail and garbage service to stay within budget. Eventually, we may have to consider either a further reduction in maintenance services, roughly half of our budget, or an increase in dues.

FYI: The majority of our garbage costs come from the can at the head of the beach trail. This can is for doggie mitts, not for other trash. Please take any trash that you pick up on the trail or at the beach and carry it home rather than put it in the can. Also, we have gone through a thousand mutt mitts since summer. The cost is \$100 per box or 10 cents per mitt. Please use them for the beach trail only. Since we have discontinued regular garbage service, there is no longer a trash can for general use at the lake park.