

Rumor Mill Correction *by John Doty 2022©*

On or about the beginning of 2022 a fabricated story began surfacing stating that I intended to spend **\$80,000 of association funds to hire a property management company** to run Sugarhill. This falls into the “most stupid thing I have ever heard” category.

Let me outline some facts:

- The reason Dan Smith and I recalled the former Board was because, without community involvement, they hired Signature Property Management.
- I believe Sugarhill, with 97 properties, is way too small for a property management company especially if the **financial tracking and bill paying** is done by a competent bookkeeping/accounting service like Paterson Accounting Service (\$4,300 per year).
- As long as I am in a controlling position in Sugarhill there will never be a property management company hired, ever.
- In the next round of voting I would like to see a change to the bylaw that now allows the president free reign to hire a property management company without a community vote. I want community vote mandatory every time property management hiring raises its silly head.

To close this ridiculous rumor let me say this, Sugarhill is a small community in comparison to the majority of HOAs and easily managed by the board. If a board can't self manage this community then it's time to replace the board, not hire an absurdly expensive (and they all are) management company.

When you hear rumors like this one please **consider the source**. Also, I am always open to discuss anything you hear that needs clarification or sounds like a fabricated rumor.