

## **GSPOA Policy on Delinquent Payment of Annual Dues**

*Adopted by the GSPOA Board on 12/09/06  
(Updated January 2018 to reflect current dues rates.)*

### **Explanation of the process:**

Annual dues are \$180.00 per lot and are due March 31<sup>st</sup>. Please refer to the GSPOA Bylaws and the Treasurer's Policies and Procedures manual for specific information about which lots are considered "dues paying lots".

Annual dues are invoiced in January. The GSPOA PO Box is monitored on a consistent basis to assure that member dues are received, recorded and deposited in a timely manner.

Monthly statements are sent to all members with an outstanding balance after the due date.

After March 31, dues are considered delinquent and a 12% late fee is assessed.

If dues are in arrears on August 31<sup>st</sup>, voting privileges are suspended and reinstated only upon payment in full of the dues and any associated fees.

If dues are in arrears on September 30<sup>th</sup>, GSPOA files a lien on the member's property through the Association attorney. This lien is filed with the Whatcom County Auditor.

Members are liable for all fees associated with delinquent accounts. This may include collection letters, preparing and filing a lien and preparing and filing a lien release.

A release of lien is filed upon payment in full of the dues and any associated fees, including all costs and attorney's fees incurred by the Association.

### **References:**

GSPOA Bylaws, Section 1 (e), Section 11  
GSPOA Covenants and Restrictions, Article III (2)  
GSPOA Treasurer's Policies and Procedures manual