

Forest Lake Community Association

Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2010

I. Call to Order

Chairman Steve Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Forest Lake Community Association at 7:31 p.m. on January 12, 2010 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

II. Roll Call

The following board members were present: Maija Boriss, Lou DiNicola, Brian Drommer, Steve Gray, Jill Hughes, Steve Libby, Steve Norman, Angie Schroedel, and Laura Tegtmeier.

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the December 2009 meeting were approved as written. (Steve Norman motioned; Laura Tegtmeier seconded)

IV. Officers' Reports / Committee Reports

A. Chairman's Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 10,610.16
High Yield Acct.:	\$106,422.20
7 MO CD:	\$ 18,916.76
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 23,315.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$159,264.12

C. Dues Report – Steve Gray

- Dues for 2010 have been coming in. We've received dues from approximately 50% of the households.

D. Newsletter Report – Jim Petzold

- January newsletter went out. Tom McCabe said that approximately 15 households on Shady Lane did not receive the newsletter. Jim will investigate.

E. Web site Report

- The Board has received a design proposal from Doug Howard. There were also suggestions to work on fostering "community", such as by posting babysitter lists. The Facebook page is available for interactive communication.

F. Lake Report – Lou DiNicola

- Lou introduced himself as our newest board member and as the Lake Committee Chair. His priority is enforcing the private usage of the lake. Members are encouraged to contact him with suggestions. Members are reminded to challenge trespassers and contact the Lake County Sheriff (using the non-emergency number) to eject them.
- Lou questioned the use of the aerators. Several people said that they are needed to maintain a suitable environment for the fish, given the lake's shallow depth.

G. Parks Report – Pat DeGeorge

- No report.

H. Landscape/Beautification Report – Maija Boriss

- Nothing to report.

I. Legal/Insurance Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

J. Activities Report – Laura Tegtmeier

- The Ice Fishing Derby will be held at the end of January. Tom McCage pledged to donate \$50, \$25, and \$15 gift certificates for the three largest bass caught, in addition to the other prizes already lined up.

K. Government Report – Jill Hughes

- Nothing to report.

L. Community Center Report/Rentals

- Nobody was present to seek approval of rentals.

V. Old Business

A. Footpath/Road Egress/Re-establishment

Steve Libby has received a quote for the bollard lumber.

B. Development/Infill

- A single variance was granted for the revised plan for a house to be built at 21635 Ravine at the zoning hearing on January 7. The variance allows a three foot encroachment into the required setback from Ravine Drive. Those who reviewed the revised plans generally agreed that the house fits the character of the neighborhood and that the small variance is acceptable, given the non-rectangular shape of the lot.
- A member asked about the house at 23968 Valley that was constructed very close to the adjacent house. It was understood that the old house was to be removed once construction was completed on the new one. Steve Gray offered to call the County (B&Z) and ask about it.

C. Pumping of Storm Water into Forest Lake

All structures are in place and functional. Cleanup and landscaping will be completed in the spring.

D. Marketing/Communication workgroup

Work continues on the website redesign and the Facebook page.

E. Dartmoor Lawsuit

At this time, the petition from Dartmoor to Hawthorn Woods is not scheduled to be voted upon. Dartmoor has not requested that the village put it on an agenda.

F. Incorporation

There was a lot of discussion about the pros and cons of incorporating Forest Lake as a village.

Steve Norman motioned to hold hold a session at the next regular meeting to focus on the wants and needs of the community, so that we can develop a target of the necessary levels of service. Then, we can start to obtain cost estimates. We'll also need to establish the assumptions made for the estimates. Steve Libby seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

In order to have productive discussions, we will discuss a single, focused topic at each subsequent meeting.

G. Other Old Business

None.

VI. New business

Officers of the board for 2010 were selected. Unanimous appointments were as follows:

Secretary – Jill Hughes
Treasurer – Maija Boris
Vice Chair – Steve Norman
Chairman – Steve Gray

VII. Audience Comments

Jim Petzold encouraged voters to vote for fellow Forest Lake resident Jim Dorfman, who is seeking election as a Republican Committeeman for District 83.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m. (Steve Libby motioned; Angie Schroedel seconded)

Minutes submitted by: Jill Hughes
Minutes approved on: February 9, 2010