

# **Forest Lake Community Association**

## **Meeting Minutes**

May 11, 2010

### **I. Call to Order**

Chairman Steve Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Forest Lake Community Association at 7:28 p.m. on May 11, 2010 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

### **II. Roll Call**

The following board members were present: Lou DiNicola, Steve Gray, Jill Hughes, Steve Libby, Patrick Lynn, Tom Phillippsen, Angie Schroedel, and Laura Tegtmeier.

### **III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

The minutes from the April meeting were approved as written. (Motion by Phillippsen / Seconded by Schroedel)

### **IV. Officers' Reports / Committee Reports**

#### A. Chairman's Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

#### B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 12,014.49
High Yield Acct.:	\$111,613.24
7 MO CD:	\$ 18,974.30
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 23,315.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$165,917.03

#### C. Dues Report – Steve Gray

- 58% of households have paid, up 3% from last month. There are 47 households that are only 1 year delinquent (and likely to pay).
- 24 non-owner-occupied houses owe a combined \$17,000.
- 26 Russian/Ukrainian households have never paid another \$17,000. We need to investigate better outreach to that community.
- If the two demographics above paid up, we'd be between 80% and 90%.

#### D. Newsletter Report – Jim Petzold

- Draft is available for review. It will go out after June 1.

#### E. Web site Report – Pat Lynn

- Content is up-to-date. Obtained a nice sunrise photo to use.

F. Lake Report – Lou DiNicola

- Aerators are still off.
- Need to determine/implement beach licensing requirements.
- Volunteer testing has begun. Clarity is up right now.
- Curly leaf pond weed is an invasive. Pull it! Later-season plants will be better ones.
- Lake County Public Works experienced a sewage overflow that put approximately 50 gallons into Forest Lake. LCPW will post signage on the lift stations with the emergency number.
- Poachers continue to take fish. New rules have been proposed to clarify guest policy. We'll vote on rule changes as appropriate signage next month.

G. Parks Report – Pat DeGeorge

- The lights at Old McHenry/Lakeside are out. Pat to investigate/fix.

H. Landscape/Beautification Report – Maija Boriss

- Iris plants were stolen from a park.
- Jill asks for volunteers to help weed the rain garden.

I. Legal/Insurance Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

J. Activities Report – Laura Tegtmeier

- Forest Lake's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
  - Information will be in the upcoming newsletter.
  - Members will be asked to sign up for one of eleven committees.
  - Cost will be \$3/person, \$2/child, or \$10/family for advance registration. Cost at the door will be doubled.

K. Government Report – Jill Hughes

- Lake County Building & Zoning has been responsive to complaints of permit violations and tall weeds. Contact them if you have a complaint.

L. Community Center Report/Rentals

- A rental was approved for a birthday party on June 5th.

**V. Old Business**

A. Footpath/Road Egress/Re-establishment

Bollards to be installed soon.

B. Development/Infill

No update.

C. Marketing/Communication workgroup

No update.

D. Dartmoor Annexation

FLCA received a letter from Hawthorn Woods. Though it is non-binding, it promises the following:

- HW has no interest in annexing “the entirety of Forest Lake”.
- Residents being annexed will receive a refund of HW general fund taxes.
- The properties will not be part of any current Special Service Area (SSA).
- Zoning will remain R3, per the county’s definition.
- No roads will be connected between Forest Lake and Kildeer Estates.
- No Hawthorn Woods vehicle stickers will be required.
- County services will remain unchanged. Ela Twp will maintain roads.

E. Other Old Business

None.

**VI. New business**

A. Legislation Update

HB5923 has passed the House and Senate. It awaits the Governor’s signature. This bill proposes an exception to Illinois statute that would allow Forest Lake to seek incorporation by placing a referendum on the ballot of a general election.

B. Municipal Consultant

We have received a proposal from a consultant with city planning experience to help investigate pros/cons and costs/benefits of three scenarios: Do nothing, Incorporate as a village, or seek to strengthen the power of the Community Association to collect dues. The cost would be \$5,000.

An FLCA member requested the opportunity to find a competing proposal from a qualified consultant.

The board approved a motion to hire the consultant (Laurie Marston) to perform the analysis, provided that no competing bids are received within 10 days. (Motion by Philippsen; Seconded by Hughes)

C. Review Community Rules

Proposed rule changes have been distributed for review. We will vote on changes next month.

**VII. Audience Comments**

None.

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. (Motion by Tegtmeier; Seconded by Philippsen)

Minutes submitted by: Jill Hughes

Minutes approved on: June 8, 2010