

Forest Lake Community Association

Meeting Minutes

November 9, 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 November 9, 2010 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

II. Roll Call

The following board members were present: Maija Boriss, Steve Gray, Jill Hughes, Nick Leonard, Steve Libby, Patrick Lynn, Steve Norman, Tom Phillippsen, and Laura Tegtmeier.

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as written. (Motion by Tegtmeier; seconded by Leonard)

IV. Officers' Reports / Committee Reports

A. Chairman's Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 16,787.19
High Yield Acct.:	\$ 72,697.44
7 MO CD:	\$ 19,022.82
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 24,028.44</u>
TOTAL:	\$132,585.89

C. Dues Report – Steve Gray

- 62% paid.
- Angie may need help processing the dues notices this year.

D. Newsletter Report – Jim Petzold

- December issue is ready for review.

E. Web site Report – Pat Lynn

- More event photos have been posted.

F. Lake Report – Nick Leonard

- The last readings showed good visibility (~6ft.).
- Lots of aquatic plants are showing up; mostly good ones, though there is some curly-leaf pond weed. If you see it, pull it!
- Lake County will be conducting a full report on the lake this year.
- We did not run the aerators this year and the maintenance company says it's not critical to run them periodically. However, Nick will turn them on just to verify the operation and to lubricate them.
- There is a rumor that the Lake County Board will be voting on a county-wide ban on phosphorus fertilizers during their February 2011 meeting. FLCA should send representation.
- We're seeing a large spike in phosphorus every spring. LC EHS is investigating to identify the source. It could be attributed to decaying plants releasing it, or the early application of lawn fertilizers, but seems out-of-range for those events.
- LC EHS has not communicated any requirements for the roll-out of TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) regulation by the IEPA. We need to be sure these requirements don't sneak up on us.

G. Parks Report – Maija Boriss

- There are reports that the trash container at the north beach is overflowing. It is not a WM container, so it must be emptied into the WM container. We may consider removing this second container. Steve will talk to Greg about this.
- We are awaiting a quote for a solar-powered light system for the posts at Old McHenry & Lakeside. If we go that route, we'll have the old electric service and meter removed.

H. Landscape/Beautification Report – Maija Boriss

- Tall plants at Highland & Quentin have been cut down for better visibility.
- We have decided to pursue a replacement for the missing FLCA sign at Quentin & Highland and leave the maintenance of the other signs for another time. Tom Philippsen made a motion to authorize the purchase and installation of the sign; Steve Libby seconded; motion passed.
- Hey & Associates (a local landscape consultant) is conducting a study of rain gardens, including measurements of infiltration. The FLCA rain garden is being included in their study and we will receive a copy of the report.

I. Legal/Insurance Report – Steve Gray

- Nothing to report.

J. Activities Report – Laura Tegtmeier

- We had 84 kids attending the Halloween parade/party.
- Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday December 11 at 9:00 AM. The cost is \$3/child.

K. Government Report – Jill Hughes

- Jill finally received a copy of the annexation agreement between Hawthorn Woods and the developers of Hawthorn Trails. One of the partners has not yet signed the agreement; if they do not, the whole annexation will be reversed, according to the agreement. Mayor Mancino also confirmed this.
- Hawthorn Woods will discuss adopting an ordinance to formalize the tax relief that is being promised to the annexed parcels in Forest Lake. Without such an ordinance, the relief cannot be guaranteed; especially with an unknown future administration.
- We've been getting nowhere with the board-up of 23783 Lakeside. The foreclosure sale has been rescheduled for November 23rd. If the sale doesn't occur or the house isn't boarded up, we should contact the local newspaper to get visibility of the situation.
- The vacant land at 24017 Valley ("the swamp") went to auction on September 26th. No known result, but this was to be an absolute sale, regardless of price. Jill obtained copies of correspondence regarding the unsuitability to build, which terminated the previous sale. Residents are encouraged to keep an eye on the parcel for any grading work without proper permits, as this could impact flooding in the area.

L. Community Center Report/Rentals

- The board approved a rental on November 20th for a baby shower.
- The parking lot lights have been repaired and/or replaced. Next, the back light will be fixed.

V. **Old Business**

A. Footpath/Road Egress/Re-establishment – Steve Libby

- We are pursuing a bid to clear the stumps and 'garbage trees'. Also, we'll have the job include re-setting the bollards at the parks and community center where they are crooked or missing.

B. Dartmoor Property (Hawthorn Trails)

- [This item was covered under "Government".]

C. Consultant report / next steps: police quotes

- Hawthorn Woods requires the five-year police call records for Forest Lake and the letter from Terry Link, clarifying the legislative intent of the requirement for police protection before revising their quote to offer police protection if we incorporate.
- Hawthorn Woods is also willing to offer code enforcement and other services.

VI. New business

A. Budget for 2011

- We should compare the budget to recent actual expenditures to see if the categories are appropriately budgeted. This may require work from the tax preparer.

B. Annual Meeting

- The Annual Meeting will take place on December 14, 2010, immediately following the regular meeting at 7:30 PM.
- Four seats on the FLCA Board are up for election this year:
 - Central (Currently held by Steve Gray)
 - South (Currently held by Steve Norman)
 - West (2 seats; Currently held by Nick Leonard and Maija Boriss)

VII. Audience Comments

- Samantha Kalamaras, a local realtor, introduced herself and asked that if anyone sees a problem with any of her listed homes in Forest Lake, they should call her and she will see to it that the problem is resolved quickly. She also offered to check into the problem with 23783 Lakeside. She says that there should be a bank liaison assigned to it.
- There have been a few incidents in the neighborhood involving kids with BB guns. Some minor injuries have occurred.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m. (Motion by Norman; Tegtmeier)

Minutes submitted by: Jill Hughes

Minutes approved on: December 14, 2010