# Forest Lake Community Association

## **Meeting Minutes**

September 13, 2011

#### I. Call to Order

Chairman Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Forest Lake Community Association at 7:31 p.m. on September 13, 2011 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

#### II. <u>Roll Call</u>

The following board members were present: Boriss, Gray, Hughes, Leonard, Lynn, Norman, and Tegtmeier.

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

The minutes from the August meeting will be reviewed and approved via email.

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

- A. Chairman's Report Steve G.
  - Nothing to report.
- B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 7,333.63
High Yield Acct.:	\$102,634.63
7 MO CD:	\$ 19,061.71
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 24,763.71</u>
TOTAL:	\$153,793.68

The 2012 budget will be drafted and ready for review next month. Notice of the budget is required 60 days prior to adopting it.

- C. Dues Report Jill H.
  - Paid dues for 2011 sits at 66.8%. By unanimous vote, the 2012 dues rate will remain unchanged at \$150/year. Sticker prices will also remain the same: \$25 per boat, \$1 per extra vehicle sticker.
- D. Newsletter Report Jim P.
  - We received many positive comments about the article from the anonymous resident.
- E. Web site Report Pat L.
  - Nothing to report.
- F. Lake Report Nick L.

- We've received many comments regarding the green color of the lake, which is a natural phenomenon due to the high temperatures and low amount of rain. The condition of our lake is highly susceptible to rain levels.
- According to the testing data, the lake is having its best year yet! We attribute this to having the aerators off. This improved the clarity, allowing better plant diversity.
- The lagoon might require an aerator in the future. We may need to modify the placement and output pattern of the current aerator.
- The plant diversity is good. Other than the curly-leaf pondweed, we see no large population of invasive plants. The curly-leaf pondweed could be contributing to the algae bloom, as it contributes nutrients while decomposing.
- Sediment must be monitored so that we have good data as we approach the predicted time (2013-2014) for dredging.
- Inlet testing shows that the south inlet is a major contributor of sediment inflow. Shoreline erosion also needs to be addressed to reduce sediment.
- Residents expressed concern that the new pipe being installed at Forest & Ravine is replacing the current pipe, rather than serving as an overflow. Lake County assures us that the normal flow will continue to go through the existing pipe. Steve G. will confirm this (again) with Lake County.
- G. Parks Report Greg D.
  - Greg D. has been unanimously approved as the new Park Committee Chair.
  - Residents have offered to re-deck the platform at Erker park. FLCA will
    pay for the materials. Nick wants to use this project as an opportunity to
    re-hab the shoreline in the park. The estimated cost of materials is \$500
    for the decking, \$200/ton for the rock. A detailed proposal will be sent via
    email for approval.
  - Disposal of the old decking (above) will be coordinated with the disposal of non-stickered boats if possible.
  - The beaches are not yet compliant with the new regulations. We are still
    missing life rings at some beaches and additional signage is required as
    well. The board approved the expense to bring the beaches to compliance.
    (Motion by Norman; Hughes)
  - We need to have some of the port-o-potties replaced, due to vandalism. We're not sure who is the authorized person to work with Waste Management on this. Maija will investigate.

- H. Landscape/Beautification Report Maija B.
  - The planting area at Quentin & Highland has been re-hab'd.
  - We need volunteers to assist with bulb planting in the next few weeks.
- I. Legal/Insurance Report Steve G.
  - The new insurance policy term has started. We have a lower rate this year.
- J. Activities Report Laura T.
  - We need volunteers to help organize the adult's party in October. We will put out an appeal on Facebook, but if we don't get 6-12 more volunteers by Friday, we will be forced to cancel (or reschedule) this event.
- K. Government Report Steve G.
  - Will be covered under old and new business (below).
- L. Community Center Report/Rentals Tom P.
  - The board approved rentals for the following dates:
    - October 1, 2011 Phillipsen
    - December 3, 2011 Schinler
    - May 5, 2012 Martens
    - June 23, 2012 Norman

#### V. Old Business

A. Common Interest Community Association Act

Braithwaite's new firm is not the ideal match for our needs, so we are looking for new representation. One candidate firm suggested that recording the existing bylaws could be enough to allow us to place property liens to collect dues. Steve G. will continue to evaluate legal firms.

#### VI. <u>New business</u>

A. Forest & Ravine Drainage Project

(This was discussed earlier in the meeting.)

B. LCPW/Aqua Illinois Water System

Peter Kolb, Lake County Public Works told Steve that the rate increase hearing has been postponed until next March. Aqua Illinois routinely submits a large proposal in hopes that it is too cumbersome for proper review. LCPW will be present at our October meeting to explain their plan to fight the proposed rate increase.

The EPA deadline for replacement of the existing well is December 1, 2011. There is very little chance of getting an exception, but Steve will contact our State Representatives.

### VII. <u>Audience Comments</u>

None.

### VIII. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: J. Hughes

Minutes approved on: October 11, 2011