

Forest Lake Community Association

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2012

I. Call to Order

Chairman Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Forest Lake Community Association at 7:30 p.m. on March 13, 2012 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

II. Roll Call

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

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the January meeting were approved as written.
(Motion by Norman, Tegtmeier; Approved unanimously)

IV. Officers' Reports / Committee Reports

A. Chairman's Report – Steve G.

- We received a “Thank You” note from the Parduns, addressed to the entire community, for assistance in locating their dogs that were lost following an attack by another dog. A donation was included. The Board decided to donate the check, in the Pardun's name, to the local animal shelter.
- Two board members have decided to resign, as other obligations have kept them from participating. The board voted to accept the resignations of Pat DeGeorge and Angie Schroedel, effective immediately. (Motion by Tegtmeier, Leonard; Approved unanimously). In accordance with the bylaws, the board may appoint a person to fulfill the remainder of the term for each of the open positions.

B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 6,888.34
High Yield Acct.:	\$131,878.74
7 MO CD:	\$ 19,086.56
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 24,763.71</u>
TOTAL:	\$182,617.35

C. Dues Report – Jill H.

- Dues for 2012 are 62.2% paid.

D. Newsletter Report – Jim P.

- Newsletters have gone to press.

E. Web site Report – Pat L.

- It has been reported that some of the links are missing from the masthead of the website. Pat will investigate.

F. Lake Report – Nick L.

- The Forest Lake Improvement Committee (FLIC) sent its annual report to all residents with an email address on file. Additional reports will be published in summer and fall.
- Nick is working to fix the creek through the LaHaie property that flows into Forest Lake.
- We have determined that the pond west of Quentin Road (Near Old Barn) is contributing some of the invasive plants. Nick is working with the property owner to see what can be done.
- The north and south inlets, however, seem to be contributing the majority of sediment and phosphorus. We will conduct further testing to isolate the sources.
- Overall, the health of the lake last year was better than ever.
- This year's focus will be on controlling the curly-leaf pondweed. We are looking at many different options. Chemical treatments are not effective on the blue-green algae that follows the pondweed. In fact, it can cause a release of the neurotoxins in the algae. Reducing the nutrients is the preferred method to reduce blue-green algae.
- The aerators have been "off" for two seasons. Overall, the lake's health is improved, but we need to know the impact on the sedimentation rate. We are looking at ways to keep the lagoon water moving without suspending too much sediment in the water.
- Shoreline improvement is perhaps the biggest opportunity for positive impact on the lake. We are working on a couple educational programs, such as direct mailing and pilot programs at our parks.
- This year, it's Forest Lake's turn for a fish survey to be performed by Lake County. We look forward to the report.
- The stringlines are helping keep geese off the beaches. This year, we're using a sturdier system. Stringlines or shoreline buffers would help any residents with a goose problem.

G. Parks Report – Greg D.

- Preparing the parks for summer. The contractor will be cleaning up tree branches and looking at buckthorn removal at the parks.
- We need to add mulch to the playground areas this year as well.

- Following an investigation that determined the cable failure is NOT beneath the road, the board agreed to pay to fix the entrance lighting at Lakeside & Old McHenry Rd, not to exceed \$1,000. (Motion by Norman, Hughes; Unanimously approved.)

H. Landscape/Beautification Report – Maija B.

- Everything is looking good so far.

I. Legal/Insurance Report – Steve G.

- Nothing to report.

J. Activities Report – Laura T.

- Getting ready for Easter Egg Hunt.

K. Government Report – Steve G.

- Nothing to report.

L. Community Center Report/Rentals – Tom P.

- Nothing to report.

V. Old Business

A. Common Interest Community Association Act

We are still looking for a new attorney for FLCA.

B. LCPW/Aqua Illinois Water System

Now that the new water source is online, residents will have an 80% increase in the price of supplied water, which translates into a 56% increase in their total water bill. The flat-rate fee for water is \$40.40 per month.

It now appears that the program to place individual water meters in Lake County service areas will not cover Forest Lake in the near future.

C. Other Old Business

Waste Management will stop picking up garbage from non-paid residents this week. At this time, there are 139 delinquent accounts in Forest Lake. We assume they will pay up their accounts to resume garbage collection.

VI. New business

A. There are proposals in Illinois to eliminate Township government. We are all aware of the high level of service that Ela Township provides, at a reasonable cost, so the board encourages residents to vote down such a proposal if it ever comes to a vote.

B. There have been a few incidences of vehicle break-ins recently. At least one involved forced entry. Residents are reminded to keep valuables out of their vehicles, or at least keep them out-of-sight.

- C. We'd like to update the FLCA website to have a more modern appearance and easier content management, so that each committee can maintain their own content. Pat will investigate options.

VII. Audience Comments

None.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m. (Motion by Norman, Tegtmeier)

Minutes submitted by: J. Hughes

Minutes approved on: April 10, 2012