

Forest Lake Community Association

Meeting Minutes

May 8, 2012

I. Call to Order

Chairman Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Forest Lake Community Association at 7:33 p.m. on May 8, 2012 in the Forest Lake Community Center.

II. Roll Call

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

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the April meeting were approved as written.

IV. Officers' Reports / Committee Reports

A. Chairman's Report – Steve G.

- Nothing to report.

B. Treasurer's Report / P&L Review

Checking Acct.:	\$ 10,906.56
High Yield Acct.:	\$145,132.13
60+ MO Annual CD:	<u>\$ 24,763.71</u>
TOTAL:	\$180,802.40

C. Dues Report – Jill H.

- 63.7% Paid. Sent another round of “past due” notices.

D. Newsletter Report – Jim P.

- Will finish up in the next few days. Last call for input.

E. Web site Report – Pat L.

- Lake Committee will begin managing their own content.

F. Lake Report – Nick L.

- Seeking approval of the contract for Lake County Health Department's lake testing program for 2012. Cost is approximately \$1,200.
- Fish survey will be performed April 25 by IDNR. The report won't be available until later in the year, so instead of stocking the lake this year, we'll have a bathymetric map done. Cost is approximately \$2,000.
- Motion to approve \$3,200 for the contract by Hughes/Tegtmeier. Approved unanimously.

- An unofficial sediment depth survey was done to evaluate the need for dredging. Last dredging was performed in 1994 (18 years ago).
- Curly-Leaf Pondweed is a big problem this year. It grows early in the season (starting while ice is still on the lake), so it is the only aquatic plant visible now. Buds form in May/June; those germinate over winter. An organized effort to physically remove plants will occur this weekend, with 10-15 people signed up. Ordinarily, it is a five-year effort to eradicate curly-leaf pond weed, so we'll work out a formal plan for next year. Will put information and a call for additional volunteers on Facebook.
- We are investigating a different type of circulator or aerator for the lagoon. More on this in the coming months.

G. Parks Report – Greg D.

- Tree trimming is on going at all parks and the Community Center. It has been rough going as the ground is very soft because of the weather. Scott Simpson has had to rent some equipment and has informed me his bill is going to be slightly higher than quoted.
- Foot paths – Greg has discussed with Scott about cleaning the 2 northern-most foot paths. When he is finished tree trimming he will bid the removal of debris on the foot paths. When the clearing of debris is complete we are going to have Dale W. inspect and advise as to whether he can get his equipment in every week to maintain the paths. If he feels we need to have Scott bring in the Bobcat, Greg will investigate and report to the board. Apparently the foot paths were cleared 2 years ago but never maintained.
- Buckthorn has been removed from Erker Park. It is now up to us to keep it at bay by pruning
- Baseball field – Red clay is ready to be put down, but because the ground is so soft Dale is waiting for better weather.
- Dale attempted to put sand at the beaches but again the ground is too soft to drive their truck in.
- Playground mulch – Again Dale is waiting for better weather
- To reposition the port-o-potty at Central Park, the step up would be too great. Port-o-potty is partially concealed by sign, so Greg advises to leave as is. However, the board would like to have the concrete re-set at grade and rotated to the originally intended position.
- Entrance lighting (at Old McHenry) will be completed when we have time to work on it.

H. Landscape/Beautification Report – Maija B.

- Nothing to report.

- I. Legal/Insurance Report – Steve G.
 - Nothing to report.
- J. Activities Report – Laura T.
 - We need a champion to coordinate the fishing derby.
 - Independence Day 5k race to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project is being planned. They have been advised to work with Ela Township and the County Sheriff regarding use of the roads. They will work with Tom to check on a date that the community center is available for use.
- K. Government Report – Steve G.
 - Nothing to report.
- L. Community Center Report/Rentals – Tom P.
 - S. Norman will be renting June 23rd.

V. Old Business

- A. Common Interest Community Association Act
Still evaluating attorneys.
- B. Web site Refresh
Need to keep moving on this, so the board must review the proposals.
- C. Other Old Business
None.

VI. New business

- A. None

VII. Audience Comments

- A resident has expressed interest in having a streetlight added. We advised them to build a consensus of their neighbors, and then contact the Ela Township Highway Department.
- People have been observed placing their household garbage into other people's garbage cans or into the cans at the parks. If this is observed, please call the sheriff.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m. (Motion by Norman; Tegtmeier)

Minutes submitted by: J. Hughes

Minutes approved on: July 10, 2012