Forest Lake Association Board Meeting Minutes April 8, 2014

Call to order: 7:30 p.m.

Attended by: Boriss, Etter, Leonard, Wachter, Lynn, Norman, Dwiel

<u>Audience Discussion</u>: The 3rd Annual Forest Lake Run for the Troops for Operation Support Our Troops was scheduled for July 4, 2014, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Sponsorship of \$300, representing about 10% of the event's costs, approved, as well as donation of the use of the Community Center.

Rentals: Community Center rental for May 11, 2014 approved.

Attorney: Scott Rosenlund of Fullet, Rosenlund and Anderson, a local law firm representing +/-800 associations, presented information on his firm's potentially representing FLCA. Discussed various forms of associations, does not yet know if FLCA is subject to the new law. If hired, will study documents and determine what, if any, laws apply. Steve suggested FLCA retain firm and have a closed-door meeting with law firm and then requested a ballpark estimate of costs. Scott replied he bills at \$350 per hour and would rather see the paperwork first as he needs to know where FLCA falls, with the key issue being the recorded documents. After his documentation review the Board would submit questions and then schedule a meeting.

Pay-as-you-go (time and material), with no retainers, is his preferred method. He will provide contact information and a list of needed documents. A quick review and search/discovery could cost around \$500 to \$1,000. This is an estimate only. Steve stated we mostly needed to know where we sat with the new law. A \$1,000 appropriation was approved. Scott needed a point of contact and Steve was "elected". Scott also said a title insurance policy would make the title search simple.

Minutes: Previous minutes approved unanimously.

<u>Chairman's Report (Dwiel)</u>: Greg asked if anyone should attend the Storm Water Management Soiree'. Steve thought it was not applicable to FLCA. Nick though the dredging part might be good. It was decided no one was going.

Treasurer's Report (Boriss): Checking:	\$9,317.66
MM:	\$178,347.24
CD:	\$26,304.57
Total:	\$213,969.47

The 60 month CD is due for renewal. The new rate is .666% with a 42 month CD offering 1.62%. Motion carried for Maija to find best savings vehicle.

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Dues Report (Etter): Brad assumed duties from Jill and the last batch of checks and stickers were processed on Monday. No percentage yet, but the percentage is higher than last month's.

<u>Newsletter Report (Petzold)</u>: Jim missed the last two meetings, but the newsletter has been mailed and he is getting another issue ready for next month. Joe mentioned the Summer Regatta should have separate classes and be held the same day as Venetian Night. He also wondered if there should be a class for cardboard boats.

Website Report (Lynn): Website still there.

Lake Report (Leonard): Nick has been working with Lake County. Last year's water quality was the best on record. The phosphate level used to peak near the end of summer. Nick wrote the article for the agency, as requested. The county wants Nick to attend the lake management meeting. FLCA won a stewardship award from the IEPA. There is an award ceremony so someone should go to Sandwich. Steve asked if we'd now need a trophy case for the Community Center. The audience suggested we should toot our own horn more often.

Parks (Dwiel): We need to change boat launch locks. Greg said the Central Beach barrier is going in at the end of May. We will repair and/or install new goose lines. The audience was concerned about a muskrat invasion. Steve said the lines are 25ft from the water's edge and the width of the sand. Greg said the bollards need maintenance and the lawn contract requests went out and that we'd received three responses. Steve noted we'd paid \$3,700 for snow removal in 2013 and north of \$15,000 for maintenance of the parks and paths, which was an acceptable amount. He further suggested we seek three year fixed-fee contracts for lawns and time-and-material on snow removal. FLCA is paying for the materials needed by the Eagle Scout doing the work at Erker Park and that he is expected to be done by the end of April.

Landscape/Beautification Report (Boriss): All is well.

Legal/Insurance Report (Norman): We are legal and insured.

Activities (Tegtmeier): Anne is organizing and running the Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 12 with a rain date of April 19.

Government (Norman): We still have one.

<u>Community Center Rentals (Norman)</u>: Steve said the LED situation needed to move forward. He also said the bright-white version at CostCo was half the price at Menard's. The flag will be replaced. The Spireks did a mega-clean, but used old wax (which apparently goes bad) which was given to them by FLCA and thus result a little dingy.

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Old Business:

Legal: Done

Guns: FLCA insurance carrier and local police said it was too soon to tell what liabilities, if any, the situation presented. If there was an incident there very likely would be a premium increase. The Board voted to put up "no gun" signs.

Regulations: Steve circulated a new version of the regulations, Joe motioned to adopt same and the motion carried.

Landscape/Maintenance Specs: Done.

New Business:

Discuss Lake the report to membership: Done.

Marathon: Done.

OSOT Budget Request: Done

Audience Comments: None.

Adjourned: 8:02 p.m.