

Lake Forest Estates
Board of Directors Meeting
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September 9th, 2021 Next Board Meeting

Call to order 7:00 pm

Jim Donze, Mark Basler, Kent Orrick, Mark Wiegert, Tim Uding and Greg Stephenson were in attendance.

Announcements:

The Aptitude Cable Team has been in the neighborhood installing cable for the new fiber optic system. Service is expected to start by mid-October.

Bob Weiler of the Weingarten Fire Department notified Lake Forest that their ISO rating has dropped from a 7 to a 6 because of a recent ISO audit. This is better for homeowners since it drives homeowner's insurance rates. The new lower rating goes into effect on 1 September 2021. Bob suggested that residents may want to contact their insurance carriers.

Open Forum:

A resident asked about a follow up on the movable speed bumps that have been discussed at previous meetings. Jim Donze asked to wait until the Public Works Committee reported and we could discuss then.

A resident reported that a golf ball hit his house and it is suspected to have come from the Ball Field area. Please do not practice golf drives in Lake Forest.

Abandoned property at the Boat Sheds was brought up. All property stored at the Boat Sheds need to have a sticker identifying the owner. Boats should have boat stickers, trailers and other items need a red sticker which is available for free at the office. There were 2 campers that Tom was trying to find the owners of and he has contacted them. Currently there is no abandoned property at the Boat Sheds.

A resident asked if Lake Forest can start requiring an Occupancy Permit for people moving into Lake Forest. There have been new residents moving into the community that do not contact the office. This presents a problem for paying assessments, getting copies of the rules, etc. The idea would be a mechanism to have new residents come by the office as part of their closing process.

If you are selling your home, please let the office know when you have a contract on your house. This would help to identify new residents coming into the neighborhood.

Business session

Approval of Minutes-

Motion to approve the July minutes by Mark Basler. Second by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.

Treasurers Report- Kent Orrick

As of July 31, 2021, we had \$284,571 in our checking accounts and \$227,009 in certificates of deposit.

For the six months ending July 31, total income was \$349,602. Expenses for the same time period were \$143,166, resulting in net income of \$206,436.

Motion to approve the Treasures report by Greg Stephenson. Second by Mark Basler. Motion passed with all in favor.

Community Managers Report: Tom Duro

Maintenance has been trying to keep up with the grass. Scag mower broke down again and had to replace hydraulic hoses to drive motor. Installed a few more street signs and have 4 or 5 left. I have been busy with the cable install contractors locating (or attempting to) water and sewer lines. I was wrong on two, and one main and one service line were hit that we had to repair. I have to thank Jim Donze for backhoe help and Ethan Jokerst for assistance in those repairs. Our current method of locate is best guess and I apologize for any inconvenience. We removed a couple more dead trees and had a stump taken out at Tall Pine park to straighten the road to the boat ramp.

Global Security \$1854.72

Motion to approve by Kent Orrick. Second by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.

Laken Insurance \$29,025.00

Motion to approve by Mark Basler. Second by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.

Riverside Landscaping \$700.00

Motion to approve by Mark Wiegert. Second by Tim Uding. Motion passed with all in favor.

Committees:

Public Works: Don Kuehn

Don Kuehn showed what one of the movable speed bumps looks like. The idea would be that they could be placed in problem areas and moved again if needed. If everyone would please slow down this could be avoided but speeding continues to be an issue.

The cost of the speed bumps is a little over \$500 each as compared to the \$1500 a permanent asphalt one.

A motion to purchase was made by Greg Stephenson. Seconded by Mark Basler. Motion was approved with all in favor.

Planning and Finance: Bob Palmer

No report

ACC: Todd Donze

Lakes: John Summers

I have ordered 4 replacement locks for the two boat ramps. I should be receiving them by next week.

I will be reaching out to anyone that can give me some help deploying the fish habitat structures on the two smaller lakes. I will begin the process next weekend August 21st. I have a trolling motor that we will be using on the service boat to speed up the process. I will be needing homeowners with small boats to help deploying habitat in the small lake behind the community center, for I don't think the shoreline could accommodate the service boat and trailer.

Lastly, I am informing the board that Linda and I have sold our home and will be leaving Lake Forest. Our closing date will be September 21. I am giving the board ample time to select a replacement for me, and I have time and desire to work with that individual to ensure the projects and events the Lake Committee has been involved with will keep on going. It has been a privilege for me to be able to work with everyone involved with this great community.

The Board thanked John for his dedication as the Chair of the Lakes Committee and all the things he's done for Lake Forest. Everyone gave John a round of applause.

Mark Basler said Rich Cochran wants to look at Lake Anne while it's lowered after Thanksgiving. The Board sees no issues with that.

If you are planning on having work done while Lake Anne is lowered please apply for your permits now.

A resident asked if we could get some type of a dock, possibly a floating dock, next to the boat launch at the Marina. Greg Stephenson agreed to take that action in John's absence.

The Board will be looking for a new Lakes Committee Chairman with John leaving Lake Forest. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity, please let the office know.

Security: Dave Evelsizer

No report

Rules Committee- Dave Evelsizer

No Report

Hall – Tom Duro

The hall has been very busy.

A question was brought up by Wayne Basler about the older rectangular tables in the Community Center. Some are not in good condition and they are hard to handle. The Board did purchase some of the white composite tables that stack well and are easy to work with. The Board agreed to look into possibly purchasing more of those in the future.

Entertainment- Sue Alexander

There is a band on the All-Purpose Court on 28 August 2021. Bring a lawn chair!

The Board approved additional funding (via email) for the one of the Bands Sue has scheduled. The Board has used a limit of \$400 as a guideline for entertainment. Sue asked for an additional \$100 to cover the band at a cost of \$500.

A motion was made via email by Greg Stephenson to pay the band \$500 by Greg Stephenson. Seconded by Mark Basler. Motion was approved with all in favor.

The Oktoberfest that will be held 25 September will also be a celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the building of Lake Forest. If you have any older pictures of Lake Forest, please let Greg Stephenson know at lfeboard@gmail.com or call 618-593-5353 and he can scan those. Jim Donze would like to have a good display of the early days of Lake Forest.

Curb Appeal – Linda Summers

Linda has announced that she is leaving Lake Forest. The Board really does appreciate everything that Linda has accomplished as the Curb Appeal Chairman. Lake Forest depends on Volunteers like Linda who step up and get things done. Everyone in attendance gave Linda a round of applause!

If you are wanting to get plugged in and make a difference in the community as the Chairman of the Curb Appeal Committee, please let the office know!

Boatsheds: Tim Uding

The metal recycle area by the old horse barn is only for metal. The recyclers will not pickup cardboard, concrete, lumber, etc. Please only put metal there!

Pool- Tom Duro

No issues

ATV – Greg Stephenson

John Summers gave Roy Kritner the kit to make the signs. Roy has agreed to help with the trails and we appreciate his help!

Webmaster – Beth Meier

Please send photos to the Beth at the office email address.

Old Business:

The Board sent letters to some residents who were launching fireworks over the 4th of July that caused some concern. The Board has received some great feedback from these residents with a promise of being more cautious and aware. Bottom line- if you purchased some powerful fireworks and think you should launch your fireworks off the dam, go to the dam. The 4th of July is one of our busiest weekends with families and friends at the lake. The last thing we need is a stray firework going into a neighbor's and hurting someone. We want everyone to enjoy the 4th of July 2022 celebration in a safe and accident-free manner!

A request for yellow paint for the striping machine was brought up by Wayne Basler. Tom will be getting some yellow paint soon.

New Business:

Jim Donze introduced Tim Uding as a newly appointed Board member. Tim will serve out Bob Palmer's term and then Bob's seat will come up for election as part of the normal cycle.

An inquiry was asked about a lot that Lake Forest owned for purchase. The Board is looking into this and will report decision back to the community.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Kent Orrick. Second by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.