Lake Forest Estates Board of Directors Meeting 12 October 2023

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Call to order 7:00 pm

Jim Donze President, Tim Uding Vice President, Greg Stephenson Secretary, Dennis Lea, and Mark Wiegert were in attendance.

Announcements:

None

Open Forum:

Ray Joggerest said that there were numerous occasions where people were not cleaning up after their dogs used the bathroom on his property. There were other residents present in the meeting that had the same issues with people being inconsiderate and not cleaning up after their dogs.

Jim Donze said that there have been other complaints regarding dogs from people not cleaning up after their dogs, barking and aggressive behavior and letters were being sent out to those dog owners.

The Board is asking all dog owners to show consideration to their neighbors and clean up after their dogs, be aware of their barking and take measures to stop it, and don't let your dog act aggressively such as charging people who are walking. The Board does have the authority to fine those dog owners who are creating a nuisance.

Business session

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the September 2023 minutes by Mark Wiegert. Seconded by Tim Uding. Motion passed with all in favor.

Treasurers Report- Rose Kastrup

Rose read the attached letter from the Lake Forest Accountant who is performing the audit of the Lake Forest books. See the attached letter.

Community Managers Report: Tom Duro

Most of the back areas have been mowed for the year. The mower was broken for about a week. I replaced the starting switch and voltage regulator. It works good now. The gator and both trucks are running well.

I worked with Aptitude to get the lines run to Lake Forest camera locations. I have also been working with Megan Jokerst getting her adjusted to the office.

Pete Harnish completed the Marina Bridge. It looks very nice.

Board Approvals:

MFA Oil Unleaded Gas \$1109.13 Motion to approve by Mark Wiegert. Second by Tim Uding. Motion passed with all in favor.

CNA Surety Dishonesty Bond \$1,376.55 Motion to approve by Tim Uding. Second by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.

Committees:

Public Works: Don Kuehn

Don asked Tom if he had enough salt for the winter. Tom said that he had enough to get started but would most likely need more to cover the winter.

Don also brought up leaf burning to the Board. There was discussion about prohibiting leaf burning based on how dry Lake Forest gets. Jim Donze said we would wait and see what the conditions look like if the rain stays to the north of Lake Forest.

Planning and Finance: Rose Kastrup

LAKE FOREST ESTATES Board Meeting Treasurer's Report OCTOBER 12, 2023

SEPTEMBR 1 - 30, 2023 TOTAL INCOME: TOTAL EXPENSES:	Due to Transitioning to a new accounting platform. AR TO DATE NO TREASURE'S REPORT Thank you for your patience and understanding.
NET INCOME:	\$
CURREN	PLANNING AND FINANCE F ACCOUNTS / CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS

AS OF SEPTEMER 30th, 2023 TOTAL CASH: 4 Money Market Accounts + 1 Regular Checking Account = \$528,285.17 3 Certificate of Deposits = \$241,703.79 (Includes \$10,000.00 CD for Boat Shed DDCT)

TOTAL CASH / CDs :

\$ 769,988.96

ACC: Tom Duro

Tall Pines house is complete and the house on Cedar Circle will be started in December. There have been a few permit applications for yard improvements.

Lakes: Chuck Easley/Ray Joggerst

We want to remind lakeside homeowners to not blow their lawn clippings into the lakes and to advise their lawn services of this as well. We also ask lakeside homeowners who plan to fertilize their lawns this fall, to choose a fertilizer with a middle number of zero and to refrain from applying the fertilizer within 25 feet of the shoreline. Doing so will help reduce algae issues in our lakes.

With cold weather approaching, we will be watching weather conditions to determine when we need to take the NO WAKE buoys out for the winter.

Lake Marion will go down the Monday after Thanksgiving so the boat launch can be worked on.

Security: Dave Evelsizer

Aptitude has the drops in place as Tom discussed. Ryan is working to get the router installed so that the cameras can be integrated with each other. This is so that all the cameras at the boat sheds, the marina and the post office can be viewed from the same application.

Rules Committee- Dave Evelsizer

Dave talked about cut firewood being visible at residences. Dave said he feels like it's not a big issue for the community unless it looks completely out of hand. The Board agreed to address this on a case-by-case basis.

Dave said that Dogs being a nuisance is covered in the rule book on page 10 under "Dog and Cat Control Rules."

Hall- Tom Duro

Tom said he would start painting the hall soon since grass cutting is almost over. This will include the lighting sconces and ceiling fan blades.

Entertainment-

Oktoberfest was a huge success, and we had a great turnout! Thank you to everyone that helped with event!

<u>Upcoming Events</u> (More details to come)

October 28th- Halloween Party/Haunted Trail 5:30pm

If you'd like to hand out candy or donate candy for the event, please let Lindsay Winkler know.

November 18th- Karl's Kitchen food truck 2-6pm at community center

December 16th- Kid's Christmas Party

December 31- New Year's Eve Party

***Please remember all events are for Lake Forest residents and their guests only! Events not to be shared publicly!

The Board discussed animals at Lake Forest sponsored events. Jim asked for input from those present and there was some conversation about having pets at these gatherings. The Board feels that for the good of the community it is best not to have pets at public gatherings sponsored by Lake Forest. The only exception to this is service animals which are exempt by Federal regulations. Emotional support animals are not protected by Federal regulations and are not exempt. Motion by Tim Uding to not allow any pets at Lake Forest sponsored events except for service animals. Seconded by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.

This rule will need to be ratified by Lake Forest residents at the 2024 Annual Meeting.

Curb Appeal – Open

A resident asked about taking care of some of the flower beds in the community. Tom said that most areas are being taken care of by residents already, but interested residents can call the office to help.

Boatsheds: Robert Wolk

A question was asked about the office listing Boat Shed for sale. The office does not get involved in private party sale of Boat Sheds. If you would like to sell a Boat Shed the best place is to place a listing in the entry way of the Hall or list in on the Lake Forest Facebook page.

Pool- Tom Duro

A resident asked about the pool staying open longer past Labor Day weekend. The Board feels like we have done reasonably well to keep it open a few days past Labor Day weekend and that is all that we can do. There were members of the Pool Committee present that agreed that based on cost of chemicals, labor, and weather, it's not worth trying to stay open any longer than what we have been doing.

A resident asked about a covering for the kiddie pool area like a triangular shape sail that would provide some shade for the kids. The Pool committee will investigate the feasibility of that.

Mark Wiegert thanked Tom and John for closing the pool. We used to pay several thousand dollars to Ragsdale Pool to come and winterize the pool. Tom and John have been saving us a lot of money these past few years.

ATV – Greg Stephenson

No report

Webmaster – Megan

Send any of your photos that you want posted on the website.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Noreen McGaw sent an email to the Board asking if a Lake Forest Ladies Club could meet in the Frontenac room on Monday mornings. The Board told Noreen who was present that it was fine to meet if it did not present any scheduling problems with the Hall.

Jim said that a prospective buyer of a house emailed the Board asking about having a dog kennel for 2 large dogs. The rule book states that all dog kennels must be approved by adjacent neighbors first and then the Board. Even though this matter never made it to the Board, the idea of 2 large dogs in a kennel did not sound appealing on the surface. The Board feels like dog kennels present more of an issue for the surrounding neighbors than any benefit they bring.

There was another email to the Board from a resident asking about installing a swimming pool. This item is still under review by the Board.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Tim Uding. Seconded by Mark Wiegert. Motion passed with all in favor.