

**Lake Forest Estates**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
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**August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Next Board Meeting**

Call to order 7:00 pm

Jim Donze, Harry Davis, Bob Palmer, Mark Wiegert, Dave Evelsizer, Greg Stephenson and Mark Basler were in attendance.

**Announcements:**

Mark Basler announced that the petition has been filed for the Sewer District and that it looks like we will be on the November ballot. Also, the initial names for the Sewer Board have been sent to the Judge to make the selection for the Sewer Board. Once the Board has been chosen, the Board will make nominations for Officer Positions.

**Open Forum:**

Marvin Gray said he liked the Abby Road Warriors the concert. There was a good turnout for the event.

Darlene Milfelt-Klein asked for the Board's permission to hold an Alzheimer's fund raiser down at the marina selling Scooter burgers on Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 11 am. The Board asked about parking and asked Darlene to make sure that was not an issue.

Mark Basler made a motion to approve her request. Seconded by Harry Davis. Motion passed with all in favor.

AirEvac contacted Tom Duro about using the community center for practice landing with the helicopter. More to follow on that, but if you happen to see multiple landings etc. that will be the reason.

A resident asked about a concrete pad behind his residence and using it to build a building on it. The Board and the ACC Committee will need to follow up on this matter.

**Business session**

**Approval of Minutes-**

Motion to approve the June minutes made by Harry Davis. Second by Dave Evelsizer. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Treasurers Report- Bob Palmer**

As of June 30, 2019, we had \$298,938 in our checking accounts and \$338,122 in certificates of deposit. Our loan balance was \$228,434.

Year to date income totaled \$362,956 while expenses totaled \$104,911, resulting in net income for the period of \$258,045. Net income will drop throughout the rest of the year as most of our income for the year has already been received and expenses are highest at this time of the year.

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

**Community Managers Report: Tom Duro**

Water Usage – Well #1 pumped 748,000 gallons and Well #2 pumped 1,002,000 gallons for a total of 1,750,000 gallons. Wells and chlorinators are working properly.

Lagoons – Lagoons are running normally. John and I replaced a diffuser cover in the final cell.

Maintenance – Continue grass cutting. More than usual utility issues this month, but all are running good now. Replaced leaking 2” ball valve in pool pump room.

Street Lights – If you notice any that are out, please call Tom Duro (not Citizens).

AirEvac is going to be here in Lake Forest on 7/24 and 7/25 if you are interested in signing up for their service. They may have the helicopter with them.

The following bills were voted on to be paid:

Global Security \$1941.76

Motion to approve by Harry Davis. Second by Mark Basler. Passed with all in favor.

**Committees:**

**Public Works:** Don Kuehn

No Report

**Planning and Finance:** Bob Palmer

No Report

**ACC:** Todd Donze

Closed 3 permits for seawalls and 1 permit for a sidewalk.

**Lakes:** Duane Harley

There continues to be 7-8 empty boat slips down at the Marina as of July 11<sup>th</sup>.

All boaters are reminded to review the lake boating regulations as it was very busy during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday weekend and there were a few close calls. Additionally, it was noticed that some boats were going in the wrong direction and some did not have the orange ski flags visible when pulling tubers or skiers.

We are pleased to see folks enjoying the lakes but please be mindful of our regulations. The boating regulations are also posted on our website at [www.lakeforeststatesmo.com](http://www.lakeforeststatesmo.com).

The re-furbished buoys appear to be holding up quite well. There have been no issues I am aware of to date and the solar lights on top that John Summers modified appear to be holding up as well.

Boat ramp security continues to be good. ***Remember you pay an annual assessment that allows you access to our wonderful resources. Unauthorized users pay nothing and take from your lakes.***

There was discussion about the use of the orange flag while pulling skiers and tubers on the lake. Mark Balsler read the Missouri boating regulations on the use of the orange flag. Lake Forest requires that the orange flag be displayed at all times while pulling a skier or tuber and not just when the person is in the water as per Missouri boating regulations. The Board in conjunction with the Lake Committee feels that it is a much more safer to display the orange flag at all times. Additionally, the Missouri Boating regulation states that if a person has a mirror that gives 160 degrees of rear visibility that an observer is not required. Lake Forest prohibits the use of a mirror and still requires an observer over the age of 14. Bob Palmer checked with our Attorney after the meeting and we are within our rights as a subdivision to be more restrictive on the requirements.

**Security:** Dave Evelsizer

Dave briefed a recent incident of theft in the community. Some resident's cars were vandalized and one truck was stolen. This is an active investigation and not a lot of information can be relayed to the community at this time. The thing to remember is do not make it easy for vandals. Lock your cars, don't leave valuables inside of your cars that can be enticing. Remember that Lake Forest is 2 miles from the interstate and that means that we are accessible.

A question was asked about the security guard and his hours and why he's not working late hours. The security guard works mixed hours that are random. The security guard is paid from the budget of the

Security Committee which has thus far been adequate. The primary function of the security guard is to look for trespassers, ATV violations, and boating violations during the summer months. In the past there have been residents who thought the security guard was a waste of money. The security committee tries to balance this cost/benefit out to meet the needs of the community.

A resident said that there were people swimming at the marina beach past 10:00 pm. The Marina Beach and Pavilion both close at 10:00 pm. Please be considerate and obey this rule.

There was discussion about the Lake Forest fireworks display, which everyone enjoyed. Please keep in mind that the Lake Forest fireworks display is a private event that we go to a lot of expense to provide and it is not meant to be advertised outside of our neighborhood. This ensures that all of Lake Forest residents are able to get down to the Dam area to watch the show.

Joe Dimecurio asked why we couldn't have window stickers for our cars that indicated you were a resident of Lake Forest. There was discussion about this and being able to identify people easily for instance people fishing, or people using the Marina area could easily be identified by their window sticker. Most were in agreement this was easy enough to accomplish.

A motion made by Greg Stephenson to pursue the window stickers. Second by Harry Davis. Motion passed with all in favor.

A resident asked why we don't we check people at the entrance like we did years ago. Jim Donze welcomed people getting involved and doing that again. Bob Palmer mentioned that we don't have people that like to get involved like we have had in years past.

Neighborhood watch was brought up and yes we need an active Neighborhood Watch Program. There is nothing wrong with being vigilant. Always report suspicious activity to the Ste. Genevieve Sherriff's Dispatch at 573-883-5820. In the event of an emergency please call 911.

**Hall – Tom Duro**

No Report

**Entertainment-** Sue Alexander

The concert by Abby Road Warriors was great. That concert was over budget and donations are still being taken to offset that cost.

**Curb Appeal – Linda Summers**

The Curb Appeal Committee is still looking for volunteers to help keep the common flower beds looking great during the summer months. You can sign up to keep a specific bed maintained or be "on call" for projects that require more than one person to complete.

Currently, we are doing monthly weeding and pruning of perennials at the entrance, the Post Office, the Community Center and the Marina.

Please contact Linda Summers @ (314) 609-1120 for more information or to volunteer your time. **Curb Appeal benefits every Lake Forest Estates resident.**

**Boatsheds:** Bruce Giesler

We are asking to see if there is interest in building more boat sheds. There really needs to be 5 or more to make it cost effective. Let the office know if you are interested. The last ones that were built, the purchasers paid half up front and the remainder on the completion of the sheds.

**Pool-** Tom Duro

Jim Donze announced that anyone allowing a baby to swim in the pool without a swim diaper who subsequently contaminates the pool will be charged the cost of cleanup and sanitizing the pool. This includes not only the chemicals required to clean up but also the man hours. This could easily be \$500 or more. Additionally it shuts down the pool and inconveniences the other residents while the pool is sanitized and pool chemistry is brought under control.

Along with this topic is showering prior to entering the pool. Residents who refuse to shower will be barred from using the pool.

Tom reported that 2 new tables for the pool area have been requested. One will be brought down from the balcony.

There was a motion by Harry Davis to purchase two umbrellas and one table and chair set. Greg Stephenson seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

**ATV –** John Summer

Not much to report this month for the trails. I've cut the grass around all the picnic areas of both trails, and replaced the umbrellas on the tables. I will be replacing a [danger low wires] sign that has gone missing.

The trails are in good condition.

**Anyone needing firewood** to split and use, we have trees for you on both trails. See Tom Duro to schedule cleaning up some of the wood.

Any violations of Lake Forest Rules and safety concerns will be handled in a progressive discipline manner, as with any other Lake Forest benefit. Let someone know if you see dangerous behavior or call the Sheriff and file a complaint.

The first letter for ATV violations will be a warning letter. The second will be a fine for the offense. The Third letter will revoke ATV privileges.

Beth Meier asked if we couldn't look at having a front and rear ATV sticker for next year. That will be looked into for next year.

### **Webmaster – Beth Meier**

Please use the Website there is a lot of information there. There are a lot of questions being asked that are easily answered by looking at the website. Also continue to send your updates to Beth.

### **Old Business:**

A question was asked about rock driveways. Rock driveways are not currently prohibited. Jim Donze said that the last few houses that have been built had either pavement or concrete for driveways. The problem is that rock seems to find its way out onto the street. If you have a rock driveway please make sure there is not rock getting out onto the street. Lake Forest may look into ensuring all future houses have either pavement or concrete for driveways.

Greg Stephenson asked if Aptitude provided free WIFI at the pool. Yes, we can thank Aptitude for doing that at no charge. The lifeguards have the code.

There was discussion about the paint striper and we are waiting on the yellow paint. We have white and may be get started soon on striping.

There were complaints about paddle boarders being harassed by fishermen who seemed to be intentionally trying to swamp them. Be a good neighbor and be courteous!

There was also discussion about lights being contained within your property boundary. Per the Blue Book Article XIXC. Do not point lights out over the lake or into your neighbor's yard.

### **New Business:**

None

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Dave Evelsizer. Second by Bob Palmer. Motion passed with all in favor.