

Forest Murmurs September 2016



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Meetings are open to all FRA residents.

Treasurer and Membership Chairperson:

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Jennifer Kelley, Maria Ford

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Jake Bontatibus, Chairman, and Lacey Soriero

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Forest Murmurs Deadlines

Advertisers: Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Articles & Et Cetera: Friday, September 23, 2016



Trustees Present: Jennifer Kelley, Jesse Morgan, Sue Hanley, Carol Wallace, Shelton Monger, Greg Herman, and Maria Ford

Trustees Absent: Jake Bontatibus and Lacey Soriero.

Jennifer Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Police Report: Officer Reeb from the Dayton Police Department was present to report on one burglary, 2 shop liftings, 4 larcenies, 2 simple assaults, and 13 simple crimes. He also presented information about the City of Dayton crime maps and passed an example out. The crime map is available on the web and is free.

Officer Reeb also talked about the increased police presence in Forest Ridge due to the rash of recent car break-ins. This includes unmarked police vehicles.

Visitors: Youssef Elzein, and Krystyn Funner.

Minutes: Maria Ford moved that the June 20, 2016 meeting minutes be accepted as corrected. Shelton Monger seconded.

Vote 7-0

Treasurer: Dan Freeman, Treasurer, reported that the General Fund balance is \$140,334.75. Replacement reserve balance is \$77,800.85. We received 27 full and 3 partial assessments (\$6,750.00) in July, and we've received 1 full and no partials so far this month (\$224.00); so there are 47 full and 4 partial assessments still open (\$10,977.00). This compares to 54 assessments (\$11,771.00) still open at the same time in 2015.

Shelton moved that the July 18, 2016 Treasurer's report be accepted as submitted. Mara Ford seconded.

Vote 7-0

Murmurs: Roberta Havholm talked about the upcoming August Murmurs. Included will be a delinquent accounts list.

Communications: Jennifer Kelley said she has delivered ten welcome packets and said she still has two to deliver.

Website: Greg Herman reported on the websites. He reported that 648 neighbors had signed up for nextdoor.com. The Forest Ridge Facebook page had 1089 likes.

Pool: Ellie Monger was present and reported on the pool. Swim lessons will be completed this Friday. Swim team will also be wrapping up soon. The L-shape pool had to be closed for a short time due to someone getting sick. There have also been many pool parties and more are scheduled. The pool will be open on a shorter schedule the last week due to area schools starting back up in the fall. However, the pool will be open full hours during the Labor Day weekend.

Activities Committee: Jennifer Kelley spoke about the proposed upcoming Labor Day Weekend cookout. There are still many details to work out.

Mr. Elzein suggested the board consider inviting the police departments.

Pool and Outdoor Recreation Committee: Shelton Monger reported on some minor issues with motors at the pool. Otherwise the pool equipment has been running well.

Jesse Morgan said the fall soccer season will be starting soon. Signs will be going up to advertise the soccer program throughout the neighborhood.

Green Areas: Chris Tooley, Green Area Manager, submitted the following report:

Projects this month:

- Regular maintenance on equipment i.e. blades and oil changes
- Had to weld a new hitch

Property

- Replaced parts on wood chipper
- Adjusted the pool gate and it looks better now
- Every swing is operational
- Still trimming the woods line.
- Mulching trees at tree farm
- Mulched the boulevard again
- Mulched the standard area
- Cut down four maple trees

To Do:

- More woods lines
- Tennis court repair concentrating on the Meadowsweet courts
- Paint the pump house

Chris asked for some time off. He also suggested adding picnic tables to some of the parks.

Asset Management Committee: Jennifer Kelley said the asset management committee met recently. They are going to meet with an arborist soon about the many trees which need care. She is also looking at replacing the old shed roof. Maria Ford and Chris Tooley are working on coordinating filling tennis court cracks.

Old Business: Krystyn Funner reported the City of Dayton gave us a \$5,000 grant for playground equipment. She is looking to raise another \$2,464.55. She asked if she could put up posters. Roberta Havholm suggested a write-up in the Murmurs in order to let the neighbors know about the need. Jesse Morgan suggested we offer residents the ability to donate using Paypal.

The volunteer picnic will be August 7th at 5:00 p.m. at the pool. The pool will be closed early that day in order to set up for the picnic.

New Business: Maria Ford gave an update on the newly formed Neighborhood Watch. She discussed ways to make our neighborhood safer.

The list of outstanding assessments will be in the next Murmurs. There will soon be a call for candidates for trustees for the next General Membership Meeting in September.

Jesse Morgan discussed doing a survey to gauge whether residents would like to get the Murmurs by electronic delivery only.

Greg Herman moved we allow a resident to paint some artistic designs on some park benches in the parks of Forest Ridge. Maria Ford seconded.

Vote 7-0

Adjournment: Shelton Monger moved that the meeting be adjourned. Maria Ford seconded.

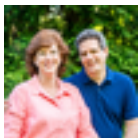
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September 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 City of Riverside Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Work Session 7:30 Meeting	2	3
4	 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
 Patriot Day	12 FRA  FRA General Meeting 7:30 p.m. Forest Ridge Baptist Church	13	14	15 City of Riverside Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Work Session 7:30 Meeting	16	17
18	19 FRA  FRA Trustees Meeting 7:30 p.m. Forest Ridge Baptist Church	20	21	 First Day of Fall	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

FRA General Meeting

September 12th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Forest Ridge Baptist Church. The agenda will include:

Trustee Elections
Committee Reports
Police Reports: Dayton and Riverside

Bylaw Committee

The board of trustees is looking for 3 members of the Forest Ridge Community who are willing to dedicate their time in updating our bylaws. This committee will consist of 7 individuals, 4 from the board and 3 of our neighbors. This is a time sensitive committee as the board would like to have the draft of revised amendments done by the spring general membership meeting. If you are an interested candidate and a homeowner, please send an email to Jkelley2684@gmail.com with your name, address, phone number, and lot number.

More information about the committee will be discussed at the Sept 12, 2016 general membership meeting.

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The meeting ended at 8:54 p.m. The board continued to meet in executive session.

Addendum: On August 13th a vote was taken via email to approve a budget for the Labor Day Picnic in the amount of \$875

Vote 7-0-2



FOREST RIDGE HALLOWEEN PARADE

October is almost here. And that means only one thing to Forest Ridge residents: the Forest Ridge Halloween Parade and Party. We're hoping to make this years events even bigger and better. To make that possible we will be adding yet another new features to the festivities. This years newest feature will be a haunted hay ride through Forest Ridge. So all of you people who love to go all out to decorate your houses, make sure you let us know so we'll put you on the tour.

The parade and party this year will be held on Saturday, October 29th! As in years past, we will be using the gazebo as the focal point for parade activities, and we are expecting the best costumes ever. Come on out with your friends and family to join the fun. However, this year we are changing up the scheduled times a bit. Call it a lesson learned. Turns out it warms up a bit after the morning in the fall in Ohio. Who knew? So, we'll be starting a bit later than in the past to take advantage of the warmer weather in the afternoons for the party. See below for the new times.

The parade will start moving at 11:30 a.m., so plan on getting down to the Boulevard early to get a good seat (bring your own seat). All participants are asked to avoid parking on Forest Ridge Blvd. The street will be blocked off from approximately 10:00 until 12:30 to ensure the safety of the parade participants.

The Halloween Party will start at 1:30. The Halloween Party will be at the Forest Ridge sheds on Meadowseet Dr. There will be games, snacks, and fun for all.

Fright Night at the Movies will be Friday evening, October 28th, beginning at 6:00 pm. This year it looks like in addition to the snacks provided by the Activities Committee we will also have ice cream compliments of our local police. This year, we will only have one movie as that seemed to be the general consensus among everybody. We'll be taking requests/recommendations soon.

The Forest Ridge Haunted Hay Ride. The Haunted Hay rides will be during the week leading up to Fright Night and the parade and party. More info to come on this, so please keep a watch out on our facebook page, web site, and of course Next Door. Right now the plan is to start the rides at 6:00 and be done by 7:00. Demanding on popularity we'll run multiple trips if necessary. Right now, we're planning on Tuesday and Wednesday night! We will have hot beverages and snacks.

We will be doing much of the set up and decorating the week and day/night before. If we have any folks out there who have any suggestions or are interested in helping out please let us know. As last year, we will be taking donations for sweets; all cookies, candy, cupcakes, and any other treats will be greatly appreciated. We had a really nice turnout last year and expect an even bigger crowd this year. There will be more on the parade and party posted on our Facebook page and the Nextdoor Forest Ridge site.

If you're interested in volunteering to help out with the parade or party or movies (or would like to donate some goodies like cupcakes, cookies, or other treats for the party) please email us at jbontatibus@gmail.com.

PARADE SCHEDULE:

10:30 - 11:30 - Participants assemble (costume contestants get numbers, form category groups)

Please have your registration form completed and turned in during this time.

11:30 - Parade starts moving

12:30 - 1:00 - Winner selections and Awards

1:30 - ??? - PARTY TIME!!!!

COSTUME CATEGORIES:

1. Blood and Gore and so much more! - monsters, witches and vampires- oh my!
2. TV/Movie Characters — lets dress up dahling
3. Fairy Tales & Nursery Rhymes — make your dreams come true
4. Super Heroes & Cartoon Characters — anything with licensing potential!
5. Holiday Theme — from anywhere, anytime HO HO HO Hippity hop!
6. Disney Characters — you know who
7. Dress your Dog! Bring your dog in costume and join the parade!
8. Group (this is the only category where more than 2 participants are allowed)



Dear Neighbors, Due to the increase in interest regarding volunteer activities involving many of our green areas and recreational facilities the board adopted and passed in May 2016 the following green area policy and required waiver form. This information is also available on the Forest Ridge website under the 'More Information - Bylaws and Policies' section. Please visit the website for updates to these policies at www.forestridgeassociation.org. Sincerely, The Board of Trustees.

FOREST RIDGE GREEN & RECREATION AREA VOLUNTEER LIABILITY WAIVER FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Rules and decisions governing the Green & Recreation Areas will be made by the board of Trustees. I agree to abide by any decisions made by the board of The Forest Ridge Association. I have read and agree to abide by the rules and policies set forth by the board. I understand that failure to abide by these rules will result in forfeiture of my volunteer privileges.

I understand that The Forest Ridge Association is not responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless The Forest Ridge Association for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with my volunteer activities by me or my guests. I understand all these rules and regulations and promise to follow them in good conscience.

NAME (Print): _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Green Space/Recreation Area Policy

Article VIII (Powers and duties of the Board of Trustees)

Section 1. Powers The Board of Trustees shall have power:

(a) To adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the property of the Association, and the personal conduct of the members or their guests...and establish penalties for the infraction thereof.

Green Space/Recreation Area policy:

In accordance with the Code of Regulations of the Forest Ridge Association, Article VIII (see above)

The green areas and recreation facilities are for the common use and enjoyment of the residents of Forest Ridge and their guests. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the management and maintenance of these common areas.

Any projects affecting these areas or facilities must be approved by the Board of Trustees before any such projects are undertaken. Failure to do so could possibly result in criminal charges, depending on the gravity of the situation.

All people involved (including Trustees) in any communal area projects will be required to sign a liability waiver.

Any person or group not obtaining approval shall be subject to penalties, which may include: Repair of any damage to grounds/gardens or payment for the repair thereof, suspension of privileges, or possible legal action.

NOTES FROM YOUR FRA ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Greetings, Neighbors!!



We wanted to take a minute & remind you of some of the awesome events going on in Forest Ridge throughout the year.

2016 marked the first ever Easter Egg Hunt & Party. We even had an appearance from the Easter Bunny himself! We plan to continue this as an annual event.

Our next event is a new one as well. A Labor Day Party to celebrate all that makes our neighborhood great. We will be having a pig roast, smoked chickens, veggie dogs, games for kids/tweens/teens, and more. Party begins at 2pm, and we are asking anyone who can, to please bring a dish/dessert to share. (We will be located by/in the pool area). If all goes well, this will be an annual event too.



With Fall approaching, it's also time to think about everyone's favorite Ridge celebration- Halloween!! Of course we will always carry on the tradition of the parade. This year we are also going to have year 3 of the party after the parade, as well as year 2 of the 'Fright Night Movie Night' the evening before. (Please look for times, locations, information in upcoming issues of The Murmurs, and on Next Door & Facebook).



Another fun idea we are working on: Family Camp Out Night. This would be located in Forest Ridge, and would be a great opportunity to go camping without having to pack up & leave town. (More details to follow).

Some of these events are Board funded, and others are put on by The Activities Committee. We could not possibly do these excellent events without the assistance of time, donations, etc. from our valued neighbors, as well as our Green Area Crew. Your support has made all off of the difference.

THANK YOU!!

Questions?

Please contact

Jake Bontatibus: jbontatibus@gmail.com

Lacey Soriero: NotCagneyLacey@yahoo.com

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Et Cetera Guidelines

Effective 1 January 2016

Free Ads For Forest Ridge Residents:

Garage Sales

Sale of personal property with a value under \$1000.
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