



Forest Murmurs

October 2017

UPCOMING DATES

- * October 16th: Trustees' Meeting
- * October ??????: Family Hayrides
- * October 27th: Fright Night
- * October 28th: Halloween Parade
- * October 28th: Halloween Party
- * October 28th: Teen Party

President's Message

My name is Larry Ford and I am your new Forest Ridge HOA President. I am retired USAF and have worked as a government contractor at Wright-Patt and Tinker AFB's in Information Technology and Program Management. During my time at Tinker AFB I was the President of Stone Meadows South HOA from 2010 to 2011. I have lived in the City of Dayton area since 1986 and started to rent in this HOA in 2011 and then bought in 2012. Hobbies include family activities, cooking and golf. I have graduated from the Dayton Citizen Police Academy in November 2015. Currently I own and work as a technician with Alpha-Systems of Dayton LLC a computer/network business since January 2012.

Here is the update on the voting that took place on September 11th in case you have not been able to view it on Nextdoor. There were 143 signatures. The vote for the full adoption By-Laws was 48 yes and 87 no. The vote for the change about how to vote was 90 yes and 41 no.

Our next meeting is Monday, October 16th. The board hopes to see you there.

Larry



Does your family have someone to brag about in 2017? Tell us about your new graduate, retiree, or other honor for our December tributes! Email details and a small picture (if desired) to murmurs@forestridgeassociation.org Also contact us at the email above with any questions!

**Forest Ridge Association, Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting : August 21, 2017**

Trustees Present: Chris Hummer, Kristyn Funner, Rick Schaub, Jake Bontatibus, Lacey Soriero, Michael Milisits, Shelton Monger, and Chris Hoopes

Trustees Absent: Elizabeth Burke

Chris Hummer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Golf Outing: Larry Ford discussed the upcoming fund-raising golf outing at Locust Hills on the 13th of October. He said they are still looking for many volunteers. There are currently 5 teams signed up, and there can be up to 22.

Police Report: Officers Miller and Conrads from the City of Dayton were present to discuss the crime statistics for the previous month. Officer Miller said there was a significant spike in theft from vehicles. He reminded residents to take valuables out of their cars and lock the car doors.

A resident asked about the trailer that monitors and displays speed. There is one available that has been requested for use in the area, but there are multiple requests for the machine. The resident thanked the officers for their work at stopping speeding and stop sign running when possible.

Residents discussed a robbery that occurred recently, but the officers did not have details.

Minutes: Chris Hoopes moved to accept the minutes as corrected from the previous month. Shelton Monger seconded.

Vote 7-0

Visitors and Open Forum for Association Members: There were many residents present to discuss multiple issues. Mike Fry, an employee and resident, discussed issues he was having with messages on NextDoor. Beverly Prendergast was present to discuss her concerns with the bylaws. She would like to see a list of changes. Shelton Monger said that those are available. Another resident asked about the original by-laws and Shelton Monger said they are available on the website under More Information->Forest Ridge Code of Regulations. Sue Hanley voiced concern with those who don't have computer access getting access to copies of the original by-laws.

Shelton Monger emphasized that the construction of the new by-laws was done by the committee. Rick Schaub briefly discussed his issues with the updated by-laws.

Doug Benbow asked if we had valid by-laws. Shelton Monger said the by-laws are valid, but there are issues with accomplishing things with them. Brian Davies voiced concerns with the aging population and how there is difficulty getting them involved.

Treasurer: Dan Freeman, Treasurer was presented the Treasurers' report for July. The balance of the general fund is \$96,712.53. The balance of the replacement reserve is \$67,827.14. There were 7 full and no partial assessments received in July and 3 so far in August. There are 58 full and 2 partial assessments still open. Shelton Monger made a motion to accept the report and Jake Bontatibus seconded.

Vote 8-0

Assets and Maintenance: Chris Hummer discussed the shed updates and the basketball hoops. Chris Hummer proposed replacing the poles, backboards and hoops with institutional equipment. Lacey Soriero made a motion to purchase the basketball hoops not to exceed \$5,000 and Chris Hoopes seconded.

Vote 7-1

Mike Milisits is continuing to work on shutting off some of the night lights.

Activities/Recreation: Jake Bontatibus discussed the activities of the past month including a movie at the pool. He also discussed the upcoming Labor Day party on September 4th at 4pm near the pool. Finally, he discussed the campout scheduled for September 16th.

Chris Hoopes said that due to some law changes, the soccer team needs access to an AED. Shelton Monger suggested going to area hospitals to see if any could be donated. The cost is around \$1,000 and need annual certification. Chris Hoopes and Jesse Morgan are going to investigate local hospital programs.

Communication: Kristyn Funner said the September issue of the Murmurs will be delivered the first weekend in September. She sent the order for the postcards for the semi-annual meeting.

Kristyn Funner said she delivered 3 welcome packets. She said that the new welcome packet is complete. She has also been actively posting on Next Door and Facebook.

Greens Areas:

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

Projects this month:

- Fixed wheel bearings on Scag mower
- Fixed wheels and belt on Exmark

Property:

- Replaced 4 swings
- Trim woods line at small soccer field, small soccer field, shed playground, bid good, and guidewire
- Mulch trees in Boulevard
- Prepare soccer fields
- Work on storm damage
- Made movie screen frame for pool party

'Tis' The Season To Be Jolly

What's that you say? It's only early fall and still in the 80's but it is never too early to start planning for our Treats for First Responders.

For those of you new to Forest Ridge for the past several years the residents have baked, bought, and assembled treats for our police and fire departments during the Holiday season. Once again we will be doing this so please put the following dates on your calendar. December 17 and 18 will be the days to deliver your donations to my home. December 19 will be delivery day to the police and fire stations.

What are we looking for? Cookies, candy, Christmas breads (banana, or your favorite flavor), brownies, etc, anything your family likes for the holidays. Also needed are cards to go in the boxes (usually done by home schoolers or classrooms) and decorated large boxes. This year I would like to purchase some large plastic bins to make delivery easier. This will require donations of money, in check form, made out to FRA and sent to [4073 Quail Bush 45424](#). There are no funds budgeted for this event so to keep everyone in the loop as to how the money is spent I will give the checks to the treasurer and then provide receipts for reimbursement. I will also provide a report in January. Last year donations were used to buy apples, oranges, pretzels, and other non sweet items.

Details on packaging, etc, will be provided next month in the Murmurs.

Want to volunteer now? E-mail mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net or call 236-7141 after 6 pm. You may also private message me on Next Door.

Let's make this year bigger and better than ever.

Susan Hanley

To Do:

- Purchase next round of fertilizer
- Prepare for Labor Day and Campout parties
- Woods line and trails
- Address trees before grinding stumps.

Chris Tooley thanked the residents who have donated bottled water to his crew.

Pool: Ellie Monger, pool area manager, said the raft party was successful and they had 250 to 300 people at the party. She has one party remaining and is looking forward to the Labor Day party. She also said the swim team went well.

Chris Hummer asked if there was money available to do some of the necessary repairs at the end of the season. Shelton Monger discussed some of the repairs that they are planning.

Shelton Monger mentioned that there have been six lives saved this year by the lifeguards.

Old Business: Kristyn Funner said that the final paperwork for the playground grant is complete and will be handed in this week.

New Business: None.

Adjournment: Kristyn Funner moved to adjourn the meeting. Shelton Monger seconded.

Vote 8-0

Meeting ended at 8:37.

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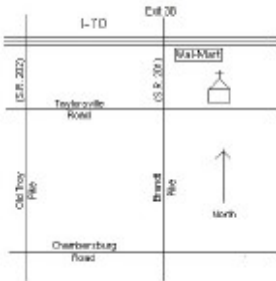
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