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Fall Soccer

Forest Ridge residents,

I am deeply saddened to inform you that the 2020 fall soccer season as we know it will be postponed indefinitely. This was not an easy decision to make but for the health and safety of our community, we feel it is the right decision to make. This year has been very difficult for all of us. We do feel it is important for kids to find a way to go outside and stay active. The nets will stay up until Columbus Day and we will continue to supply soccer balls to the field as needed. Additional, we will be adding another small soccer field next to the large soccer field by the pool. Please take all the necessary precautions to stay safe and healthy. If you and your family are feeling well please join other families each Saturday at 10 a.m. for an hour of soccer. We ask that you what your reversible jerseys (email frasoccer@gmail.com to purchase one for \$25) or wear a blue or white shirt for a simple division of teams. If you have had a fever or suspect you may have come into contact with someone with Covid-19 please quarantine for two weeks and do not come to the field. Benches are available for family members but please stay 6 feet apart from other groups of families and follow all up to date guidelines from the CDC. We look forward to some type of normalcy in the 2021 season.

Brittany Heckman
FRA Soccer Chairperson



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(-) Term Expiration Date

Matters concerning Forest Ridge policy should be referred to the Trustees.

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Third Monday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at the
Forest Ridge Baptist Church on Union Schoolhouse Rd.
Meetings are open to all FRA residents.

Interim Treasurer and Membership Chairperson:

Treasurer, Rich Spielman	937-212-9693
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Assessment payments are accepted by mail and membership cards are issued
at the pool Please send all FRA correspondence to:

FOREST RIDGE ASSOCIATION
c/o Towne Property Management
6540 Centerville Business Parkway • Dayton, OH 45459

FOREST RIDGE COMMITTEES

Pool Maintenance and Operations:	
Pool Number	937-236-9691
Green & Maintenance Committee:.....	Scott Kreckman
Activities Committee:	Scott Kreckman
Pool Committee:	Mike Bradley
Communications Committee:	Mike McHugh
Audit Committee:	Steve Weiser
Infrastructure Committee:	Larry Ford
Elections & Voting:	Larry Ford

FOREST RIDGE ASSOCIATIONS

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Rebeca Brooks.....	
Local Organizations	
BSA Troop 169:	
BSA Troop 5169:	
Mark Jobe	937-237-3139

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911
Riverside Residents:	
Fire/Ambulance (Riverside).....	911
Non-Emergency Number	937-233-2080
Community Problem Response Team	937-510-3490
	Jeremy Reeb
Dayton City Residents:	
Police	937-333-2677
Fire/Ambulance	937-333-3473

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Articles & Et Cetera: Friday, August 29, 2020

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Forest Ridge Association
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
May 18, 2020

Trustees Present: Mike Bradley, Rich Spielman, Tabitha Bentz,
Scott Kreckman, Larry Ford, Mike McHugh and Steve Weiser
Trustees Absent: None

Mike Bradley called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM via Zoom meeting
Mike Bradley moves that we vote to approve the April 2020
minutes as printed, Larry Ford seconds the motion. Yes votes:

Mike Bradley, Steve Weiser, Rich Spielman, Scott Kreckman, Larry
Ford, Mike McHugh and Tabitha Bentz. No votes: None

Mike Bradley will provide Tabitha with Cindy Hess's
email address for minute recording purposes.

FRA Board will continue to monitor all Federal, State and Local
communications for impacts to all FRA activities. We will provide
residents updates to all programs and services as they become available.

Police Report: No police presence due to Covid-19 limits on meeting size

Treasurer:

Operating Funds Financial Report – Apr 2020

Available Funds as of April 1, 2020		
	\$283,477	
Income		\$21,608
Expenditures		\$22,017
Funds Transferred to Reserve Fund	\$ 7,200	
Decrease in Operating Funds	(\$7,609)	
Available Funds as of April 30, 2020		\$275,868

Capital Funds Financial Report – April 2020

Available Funds as of April 1, 2020		
	\$ 94,186	
Income		\$ 8,133
Funds transferred from Operations	\$ 7,200	
Expenditures		\$ 0
Increase in Capital Funds	\$15,333	
Available Funds as of April 30, 2020		\$109,519

UNCOLLECTED ASSESSMENTS (AS OF 5/16/2020)

Current Year

88 Properties owe full assessment and late fees
15 owe partial assessment and 14 owe only the late fee
Total owed is \$33,098

Current Year and Prior Years

69 Properties owe current and prior year assessments – Total owed \$95,332

Status of Collection Accounts

- Collection letters were sent out on May 12th to properties that owe less than \$1000
- We currently have liens filed on the 22 properties that owe over \$1000 – dollar value of liens is \$53,338
- Six other properties that had liens against them, paid them off in April – dollar value was \$9,646
- We also have five properties in bankruptcy or foreclosure – dollar value is \$13,649
- Payments are being made on one, and a lien has been filed on another one

Communications:

Communications Committee current task list:

Priorities:

- Address FRA website/social media admin/account hand off
- Address FRA infrastructure/email and audit concerns
- Address FRA shared drive issues (part of audit concerns)
- Understand and document the following processes in a board accessible location for current and future boards
 - o Communications committee/Chair responsibilities – IN PROGRESS
 - o All management for electronic account access for FRA accounts – IN PROGRESS

- o Welcome packages
- o Murmurs

Communication Committee Updates

- FRA Web Site/Social media account hand over
 - o Now have direct admin access/control to all FRA website and social media accounts (FRA website, Nextdoor and Facebook)
- ∅ FRA Website being taken care of by Mike McHugh
 - o Currently working organization infrastructure/email challenge
- ∅ Nextdoor and Facebook actively being monitored by Jenn Bradley
 - o During handover, non-essential Admin accounts were made into moderator accounts
 - o In process of reaching out to Deb H to see if she has interest in helping out with Facebook and taking some off of Jenn's hands.
- Welcome packages being handled by Larry and Maria Ford
- Murmurs being handled by Roberta Havholm

FRA Email/Hosting

- Record auditing and Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
- We have to be careful with what info we collect and how we handle it
- Per the by-laws, the membership can request any records or information at any time (exceptions are hire/fire, payroll etc) from the board and we have a responsibility to produce requested information. For our board with process needs to be done with/through the President)
- Per guidance from lawyers, the organization should have, and be using, organization specific email accounts for these and any auditing purposes (7-10 years)
- Lawyers shared it is common practice for many organizations to use a Google Shared drive (being careful what information is being stored on that drive)
- FRA is currently not in compliance with email guidance and do not have access to records for the previous boards over previous 7-10 year period

Historically FRA website is hosted with GoDaddy since 2005

- Domain name annual \$20.99 (renews in August) to own Forrestridgeassociation.org
- Hosting \$119.88 WordPress package (Where/whose servers our website lives on)
- Email – Grandfathered GoDaddy package that allows us 1 actual email address at forrestridgeassociation.org, (Currently the treasurer account), and 100 redirects to personal emails

FRA organization needs minimum of 20 FRA email addresses for board members, major roles and major committee chairs.

- Current GoDaddy email packages
 - o 10gb storage \$1.99 per month/per user, renews at \$5.99 per user (\$39.80 mo/\$477.60 year)
 - o 50gb storage \$3.99 per month/per user, renews at \$6.99 per user (\$79.80 mo/\$957.00 year)
 - o 50gb storage + Office 365 \$8.99 per month/per user, renews at \$15.99 per user (\$179.80 mo/\$2,157.60 year)

These options do not seem responsible or feasible for our organization

Alternative options

- o Do nothing and hope we never get requests for records or audited moving forward
- o Change hosting/domain from GoDaddy to another more competitive company that fits our needs
 - Using Wordpress recommendation and basic Google research:

- <https://wordpress.org/hosting/>
- <https://hostingfacts.com>
- GoDaddy alternative that makes the most sense, based on pricing, uptime, reviews, and being US based
- Dreamhost

Alternative options

Side by side comparison

- Go Daddy:
 - o Hosting - \$9.99 per month
 - o 1 email/100 redirects grandfathered plan no longer available - any other extra see GoDaddy pricing above
 - o No SSL - http vs https - less secure
 - o Total cost \$140.87/year \$422.61/ 3 years
 Doesn't Meet our current needs
- Dreamhost:
 - o Hosting - \$4.95 per month
 - o Includes unlimited emails at our domain
 - o Includes SSL
 - o Total cost - \$59.40/year \$178.20/3 years (current running deal)
 Meets our current needs and allows room to grow

Pro/Cons

- Con - Any inherent technical issue associated with moving any website from one place to another
- Con - We eat the cost of the rest of the GoDaddy hosting for this year (expires 12/2020)
- Con - Not currently budgeted for in communications committee - need to find funds (possibly unused/cancelled activities budget?)
- Con - customer service only available via Chat or Email - no phone number
- Pro - Meets our current infrastructure needs with room to grow
- Pro - Address ¾ of our record keeping and audit needs
- Pro - more cost effective

Moving Forward

- Option 1 - Find budget to move FRA hosting services to Dreamhost immediately and address communication and audit concerns
- Option 2 - Wait until next year/budgeting cycle to address and allow next board to make decision
- Option 3 - Continue to use what we have with regard to GoDaddy/gmail combination which does not address audit concerns
- Option 4 - Do nothing

The options were discussed by the board and Mike Bradley motioned to adopt option 1. Larry Ford seconds the motion. Yes votes: Mike Bradley, Steve Weiser, Rich Spielman, Scott Kreckman, Larry Ford, Mike McHugh and Tabitha Bentz. No votes: None

Maintenance & Greens:

Weed spraying round 1 was completed and a second run made due to oversight by Leisure Lawn. Arbor Experts removed all previous contract trees - working to identify other pressing trees that need removal due to safety concerns and infrastructure. We have an account with Champion for mulch and the crew will begin on that in the coming weeks. Scott will be interviewing several potential candidates this week via phone as part-time assistance.

Infrastructure:

Update on culverts by Little Jeep Park - scheduled 2021 or 2022 per the reserve study.
 Update on Tennis courts repair/resurface - scheduled for 2021 or 2022 per the reserve study
 Tennis Court nets

- Midwest Sports
- Edwards 40LS for \$199.95 with 5 year Warranty
- Edwards 30LS for \$174.95 with 3 year warranty

We want to try and follow the reserve study as much as possible.

Pool: All pools allowed to open on May 26 with restrictions. We will NOT meet the May 26 opening date. Working with Swimsafe to develop plan to meet CDC and Ohio opening requirements. Still not sure if Montgomery County will have additional opening requirements. Pool licenses have been applied for but not received at this time. Additional funding will be required to meet social distancing changes (i.e. cleaning supplies, plexiglass partitions, hand sanitizer stations, signage, etc.) May require additional employees (or volunteers) to implement. Per JP, Swimsafe is working with Montgomery County to find out what the inspections will be like. There will be a maximum facility capacity as well as a maximum capacity for each pool. There will have to be cleaning every 2 hours minimum. Working on getting plexiglass for the front desk. Possibly a reservation style for swim times if necessary, to curtail crowds. Social distancing will be the hardest part to enforce. Swim lessons and parties will be out of the question this year. Pre-Season repairs required before we can open. Additional plumbing work required in both bathrooms - 3 estimates received, lowest was for \$1935 for work. L shape pool pressure test partially completed (\$2400). All return lines good but skimmer line found leaking. Leak detection

company wants to dive the pool to finish leak checks (Est \$2,400). Skimmer leak repair estimated at \$3200. Estimate for other leaks TBD. Lap pool needs the north pool wall repatched due to weight of decking being held up by the side of the pool, Est \$3200. Old lifeguard chairs need to be removed, Est \$628, we will try to do that inhouse. New L shape pool chlorine feeder, Est \$428 \$618.23 of \$1,000 budget spent as of April. Need approximated \$15-20K more
 Larry Ford suggests shutting down the pool to get everything fixed this year. Possibly have to at least leave the L shaped pool closed this year and open the lap pool and the kiddie pool. So we at least have something for the residents to use. We can always bring the L shaped pool into service once the leak is fixed. Mike Bradley would like to use some of the money from the Chase account to get the repairs completed in the bathrooms, the lap pools and the L shaped pool. Mike McHugh would like to hear everyone's opinion on the pool repairs. All members approved spending for the current repairs. Mike Bradley will get some quotes for the decking around the lap pool to find out how much that will be.

Recreation: Spring Soccer 2020 - Cancelled
Swim Team

- Operations limited by State of Ohio Restrictions
- 50% pool capacity limits will affect swim meets
- May have internal (FRFF only) Swim meets
- Possible June 15 start by July start with foregoing championships is possible

Activities: Spring

- Easter Egg Hunt - Cancelled
- Memorial Day Pool Opening/Food Truck Rally - possibly moved to Labor Day
- Garage Sale - TBD but Tory is calling Monday morning to try and get permits squared away for 27 June Summer
- July 4th Party - Date TBD (Pool)
- Pool Raft Party - Date TBD (Pool)
- Labor Day Party/Pool Movie Night - Moving Food Trucks and Memorial Day activities to one big blow out day on 7 Sept (Pool) Autumn
- Halloween Hayrides - Date TBD
- Fright Night - Date TBD (Location ?)
- Halloween Parade - Date TBD
- Give Back Thanks - Date TBD Winter
- Christmas Light Fight Preliminary Judging - 12-13 Dec (online)
- Holiday Party - Date TBD (Location ?)

Audit: Please provide 2017 and 2018 Audit status - Hammerman, Graf & Hughes are working through the audit now. Dan Freeman has been slowly providing information for the audit - Mike Bradley has given Cindy Hess at Towne Properties access to the folder that contains audit information. Please provide 2019 Audit start date? - Amy with Hammerman, Graf & Hughes mentioned there are a few options we can explore vs a full audit.

Old Business: Entrance Sign Replacement (Kitridge & Strathaven) - Claim was renewed with the insurance company, Need 2 more replacement cost quotes - Larry states work is delayed due to Ohio Stay at Home Order
 Shed Driveway Replacement - Cheapest to let Riverside contractor do the work when they do the work on Meadowsweet
 Insurance Review - Need to have a review of HOA insurance coverage as recommended by Kaman and Cusimano (K&C)

- K&C sent recommendations
- CIC reviewed K&C's recommendations and provided their options and new quote for coverage

New Quote:

Total General Liability Premium needs to increase to \$3,128 (+235 per year)
 Cyber Risk needs to be added for \$186 per year
 All other coverage is OK
 Total New Annual Premium \$6,263 (+\$421)
 Renews at the end of the year. Board has tabled the decision for now

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 9:04.

Friends of Forest Ridge



WE ARE THE VOLUNTEERS

HISTORY OF THE FRIENDS OF FOREST RIDGE

The group started in 1973 as The Ridge Tillers Garden Club with four members and grew to a membership of twenty seven. A few years later the group divided and the Friends of Forest Ridge was established. Our purpose was to increase community awareness, pride, improvement and appreciation of friendship within Forest Ridge.

In the early years as the community began to come together we established a horticultural program which consisted of a twenty year plan to be done in four, five year goals. The program started on the boulevard in 1973.

There was no topsoil, only road gravel and weeds. To raise money we started a plant sale. Members went door to door taking orders for flowers. The flowers were delivered to a member's yard where people in the community could pick them up. This was done on a cash and carry basis only. The first money was used to buy sod and grass for the boulevard. The sale was held every year and monies were used to buy trees, shrubs and bushes for areas in our community. As the years went by and the sales grew, we used the pool area for unloading of delivery trucks, and distribution of the flowers.

From 1973-1985 members and husbands hand dug holes to plant the trees on the boulevard. The first plantings on the boulevard began in 1975 with two ovals being planted with Washington Hawthorns (2), Radiant Crabapples (2), White Crabapples (2), Forsythia (2), and Burning Bushes (2) which were surrounded by Blue Spreading Junipers (24). These two ovals were connected by White Crabapples (5) and American Lindens (3). In the section between Silver Oak and Honeyleaf the first tree was planted in 1978 in an oval halfway between the two streets.

Continuing the 20 year plan, the Pool and Soccer areas were designed and landscaped with plantings beginning between 1978 and 1979. Radiant Crabapples (5) were planted at the Sports Complex to welcome you down the Corkwood sidewalk. White Pines (6) and Douglas Fir (3) were planted at the entrance to the Play Ground. Pin Oaks (4) were planted around the swings and slide area. Sugar Maples (2) were added near the Tennis Courts, also Virginia White Magnolias (5) near the pool and Green Ash trees (8) in and around the Soccer Field. Along the South side of the pool fence are Chokeberry Bushes (35) with beautiful crimson color and blackberries for the birds.

In 1980, the Forest Ridge sign made of concrete was provided by the builder and included plantings of Colorado Blue Spruce (2) and Taxus (10). This was enhanced by the Friends adding six railroad ties and top soil to make a flower garden. Daffodils (200) were planted as well as white chrysanthemums and lavender started our first bed of annuals in Forest Ridge. A few years ago the ten Taxus died and were removed. One of the Blue Spruce died and was removed last year.. We have continued to plant this bed with perennials and annuals through the current year. Daffodils, yellow Coreopsis and Sedum perennials are currently planted in this bed (along with annuals which are changed from year to year.) The top tier consists of China Girl and China Boy Holly as well as boxwood shrubs.

In 1981 – 82, the Boulevard between Silver Oak and Honeyleaf was planted and is comprised of two sections which contain Norway Maples (6), Greenspire (Little Leaf) Lindens (11), Crabapples (20), Pear Trees (4) and at the end of each section were planted Mungo Pines (5).

In 1983 the final section of the Boulevard between Silver Oak and Strathaven was started and the planting of Redmound Lindens (12), Austrian Pines (8), Serviceberry Bushes (10) and Mungo Pines was completed. In the Fall of that year the night before the Halloween Parade some of the trees were cut down by vandals and the Forest Ridge Association Board volunteered to have them replaced.

In 1985 the Friends decided to add a tree line along the sidewalk of the Boulevard by planting Aristocrat Pears (16) in Section One and in Section Three (26). These Pear trees have snowy white blooms in the Spring.

The Linden and Pear trees have a tall triangular shape which does not require pruning. This completed our design and plantings on the Boulevard.

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In 1986 the Entrance to the Pool Area was undertaken. A soft shrub garden was designed. Five hundred feet of landscape edging was used to outline the planting area. Weed killer was applied, ground cover removed, ten bales of peat moss plus eight cubic yards of mushroom soil, gypsum and fertilizer were added and the following shrubs, bushes, etc. were planted: Cranberry Cotoneaster (37), Upright Taxus (17), Mungo Pines (13), Wentworth Viburnum Berries (14), Purple Smoke Trees (2), Upright Taxus (10), Golden Flame Spirea (17), Dwarf Sargent Flowering Crabapple (1), Variegated Red-Twig Dogwoods (8) and Yellow Potentilla (8).

Willow Branch Tennis/Basketball Court landscaping was done in 1987. Along the walkways are planted Bradford Pear Trees (15), Snowdrift Crabapples (2) and Anthony Water Spirea Bushes (34).

In 1988 Perennial beds were established in the ovals along the Boulevard. To these beds members planted annuals with different color themes every year. The original ovals from 1975 were updated by removing the burning bushes and forsythia and these were replaced with Blue Rug Junipers and Autumn Joy Sedum which blooms a mahogany color in the Fall and lavender blooming Hostas were planted under the shade trees.

In 1989 along Union Schoolhouse at Silver Oak we planted Pink Crabapples (3), White Pines (5), American Lindens (7) and Chinese Silk Trees (13) which have white blossoms in June.

In 1990 the first "Theme Park" which was called "The Country Park" was established along Union Schoolhouse Road. This park is located on the left hand side on Union Schoolhouse one-tenth of a mile past Forest Ridge Blvd heading up toward Elmshaven. These are Native Ohio trees and consist of forty-four which are: Green Ash, Hackberry, River Birch, Hornbeam, Shadblow, White Pine, Tulip Tree, Douglas Fir, Hemlock, Elm, Sycamore and Crabapple.

In the Fall of 1991 the Soccer Field on Meadowsweet was planted with trees which showed brilliant colors in the Fall. Red Maple trees (13) were chosen and planted in this area.

The second "Theme Park" plantings were done in 1992. This area is called our "Bird Nesting-Feeding Park" and is located on Sweetleaf. Coming from Valley Street turn onto Union Schoolhouse make a left onto Silver Oak. Take Silver Oak to Sweetleaf which is on the left. Drive a short distance past Corkwood Drive on the left there is small green area. The sidewalk area is lined with October Glory Ash (12), Northern Red Oak (3), Norway Spruce (3) and Viburnum Berry Bushes (3).

Barrels were bought to use for planting flowers at the pool. These barrels are planted with annuals every year by Friends.

Since we had achieved our 20 year goal plan the flower sale was discontinued at the end of 1995. We continue to support the community by planting flowers at the Forest Ridge Entrance Sign, the Gazebo and at the pool with monies provided by the FRA.

After the completion of the 20 year plan our next undertaking was raising monies for the building of the gazebo. The initial idea and plan for the Gazebo was presented by the Friends and approved by the FRA in 1993. Three committees were established (Stage 1 contacting contractors, preparing proposals to be submitted to the FRA Board. Stage 2 - Selection of Contractor and Construction. Stage 3 - Building of the brick concrete walkway.) Three bids were accepted and Archadeck was selected as the gazebo building contractor by the FRA Board. The gazebo was started in 1994 and finished in 1995 and was a joint venture between the FRA and the Friends of Forest Ridge. The brick walkway was also started during this period and was completed in the Spring of 1996. Landscaping for the gazebo was designed by the Friends.

Gazebo landscaping consists of Viburnum, Potentilla, yellow Day Lilies, Golden Spirea Bushes (5), Bird's Nest Spruce, Barberry Shrubs (2) and Ornamental Grasses and was completed in the Fall of 1996.

Additional Gazebo Plantings - In 1997 members planted Blue Hyacinths, Yellow Daffodils and Dark Pink Tulips totaling 126 bulbs. Every year at Christmas we decorated the gazebo with pine garland, red bows and lights.

Friends of Forest Ridge



In 1998 Perennials were added to the ovals on the boulevard between Union Schoolhouse and Honeyleaf which consisted of Knockout Roses and Daylilies.

During the years members of the "Friends" provided ideas for designs for landscaping Forest Ridge. We have always competitively bid to companies for the best prices and all monies from the plant sales were used to beautify our community. Members planted trees, shrubs, perennials, annuals, maintained the beds by trimming shrubs, and watering trees and flower beds (hauling one gallon water jugs from our homes to the planting areas), fertilizing, mulching and weeding during the growing season. We would like to thank the two homeowners on Silver Oak for allowing us to use their water when it was needed for the plantings at the Forest Ridge sign. Forest Ridge has one of the finest collection of native trees.

Over the years many of the shrubs and trees that were mentioned in the plantings have died from age or disease.

Other projects originated by the FFR are: Contracting and obtaining lighting for the Forest Ridge Sign, selection and design of the Forest Ridge Sign at the corner of Union Schoolhouse and Silver Oak (over the years the design of the sign and lettering had to be changed a number of times due to vandalism. The FFR worked on selection of the lettering, colors and design - the final and current one being granite), redesigning the flower bed at the entrance sign (removing railroad ties and replacing with a two tiered stone flower bed) and landscaping designs throughout the community. All these projects were submitted for approval to the FRA and monies approved. Our latest contribution was used to make repairs and reseal the wood on the gazebo in June of 2018.

Some of our members have relocated to other areas but continue to support our community by contributing their time and efforts in planting flowers and offering ideas to enhance our community.

In 2009 the City of Riverside presented the Friends of Forest Ridge with a Proclamation Honoring our years of service in beautifying the community and for our invaluable service in planting and the upkeep of flowers within the Riverside Community.

We thank the Forest Ridge Community and the Forest Ridge Association for their support throughout the years in our endeavors to make Forest Ridge a place where new neighbors feel welcome.

Our current membership consists of twenty one ladies and one gentleman (who joined us in 2013). The majority of the ladies have been with the "Friends" since the very early years. Although our hearts and minds are willing, after 47 years of commitment to the community the members of "Friends" feel it is time to hang up those trowels, shovels, kneelers, gloves, buckets, trimmers and recycle those water jugs. We take pride in all that we have accomplished and look forward to enjoying the fruits of our labors.

Our hope and wish is that there are others in our community who will be willing to pick up the torch and carry on to keep Forest Ridge a place that is a warm and inviting community for new families.

Friends of Forest Ridge Historian

Marion J. Taylor

FRA OPERATING AND REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDS as of May 31, 2020

OPERATING FUNDS

Available Funds as of May 1, 2020			275,868
Income		22,059	
Expenditures			12,462
Increase in Operating Funds			9,597
Available Funds as of May 31, 2020			285,465

Income is from Current Year and Prior Year Assessments
 Expenditures were for : Green Area (\$ 7,163), Administration (\$ 2,375)
 Communications (\$ 1,849) and Swimming Pool (\$ 1,075)

REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDS

Available Funds as of May 1, 2020			109,519
Income		8,134	
Expenditures			0
Increase in Replacement Reserve Funds			8,134
Available Funds as of May 31, 2020			117,653

Income is from Current Year Assessments and Interest Income

UNCOLLECTED ASSESSMENTS

As of June 12,2020

Current Year Only: 107 properties owe assessment and fees. Amount owed is \$ 30,867.

Current and Prior Years: 57 properties owe current and prior year assessments and fees. Total owed is \$ 88,858.

We currently have liens on 19 properties. Dollar value of these Liens is \$ 43,409

The sending out of collection letters and the filing of liens has resulted in an increase in the collection of owed assessments.

If you have any questions, contact Rich Spielman at rich.spielman@forestridgeassociation.com

FRA OPERATING AND REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDS as of JUNE 30, 2020

OPERATING FUNDS

Available Funds as of June 1, 2020 **285,465**

Income	1,995	
Expenditures		36,168
Funds Transferred to Replacement Reserve		49,184
Decrease in Operating Funds		83,357

Available Funds as of June 30,2020 **202,108**

Income is from Current Year and Prior Year Assessments		
Expenditures were for: Swimming Pool (\$ 24,863), Administration (\$ 5,243) Green Area (\$ 5,146) and Communications (\$ 916)		
Replacement Reserve	2020 Reserve Funds Collected thru June 2020	89,766
	2020 Reserve Funds Transferred thru May 2020	40,582
	2020 Reserve Funds Transferred in June 2020	49,184

REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDS

Available Funds as of June 1, 2020 **117,653**

Income	0	
Funds Transferred from Operations (See Above)	49,184	
Expenditures		0
Increase in Replacement Reserve Funds		49,184

Available Funds as of June 30,2020 **166,837**

Reserve Study Minimum Reserve Fund Requirement	77,071	
2020 Reserve Fund for 2020 Repair/Replacement Requirements	89,766	
	166,837	

UNCOLLECTED ASSESSMENTS

As of July 10, 2020

Current Year Only: 83 properties owe assessment and fees. Amount owed is \$ 23,440.

Current and Prior Years: 47 properties owe current and prior year assessment and fees. Total owed is \$ 81,007.

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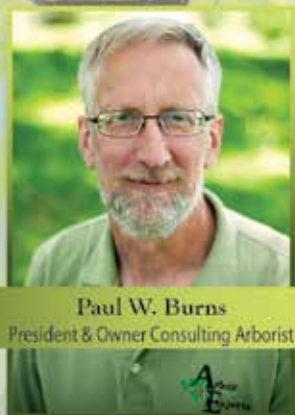
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Fall General Meeting News

Fellow FRA Members,

“Cornhole Anyone?” Looking for people interested in meeting for cornhole. We could play at the gazebo, and still maintain social distancing while having some fun! Email Mike: MSEDILLO_1165@yahoo.com”

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It looks like our attorney has been able to obtain a waiver from the State of Ohio that allows us to hold the annual Fall Member's Meeting, but we have to meet social distancing and mask requirements, so we may have to move the meeting outdoors.

Still, we wanted to let everyone know the meeting is going to happen, but we have to work out all the details to include what happens if it rains. More information will be coming to each household in the mail soon,

We hope to see you soon!

FRA Board of Trustees



FRA Movie Night, August 22nd. FRA Movie Night, Saturday August 22th. Forest Ridge will hold a family Movie Night featuring Wizard of Oz, **Saturday August 22nd** at dark, in the field by the pool. We will have designated spaces for each family, and we ask that you bring your own chairs or blankets and observe proper social distancing. We had hoped to have the movie night this month but we are working to get speakers and secure a screen. If this goes well we hope to continue this monthly as weather permits. Thank you!



Hello Neighbors. We had some really nice skies to look at Jupiter and Saturn at our July Stargaze. So much fun was had, I decided to try it again in August. Jupiter and Saturn will be up much earlier in August, plus we might get a peek at Mars. I'm scheduling this for **Friday, August 14th** with a **bad weather date of the 21st**. Same location, but maybe about 20 ft to the south. :) We'll hope for clear skies! any questions, please message me!

