

Forest Murmurs December 2021

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No Musmuss in January!

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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.

Assessment Payments

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	
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Activities Committee:	Scott Kreckman
Pool Committee:	Jesse Morgan
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Infrastructure Committee::	Larry Ford
Elections & Voting:	Larry Ford

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Forest Murmurs Deadlines

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Trustees Present: Scott Kreckman, Larry Ford, Steve Weiser, Tabitha Bentz, Roberta Havholm, Frank Semmelmayer, Faith Richardson, Jesse Morgan joined by phone at 7:08. Trustees Absent: Justin Hickman

Scott Kreckman called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

Police Report: No police present due to Covid-19

Minutes: September Meeting Minutes will be emailed out for a virtual vote.

Executive Elections: We must vote on President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

President: Scott Kreckman nominated. **Vote 8-0** Vice President: Jesse Morgan nominated. **Vote 8-0** Treasurer: Steve Weiser nominated. **Vote 8-0** Secretary: Tabitha Bentz nominated. **Vote 8-0**.

Treasurer: Steve Weiser reporting

Operating Funds Financial Report – September 2021

Available Funds as of September 30, 2021

\$79,001.73	
Income	\$0.00
Expenditures	-33,248.94
Decrease in Operating Funds	<u>\$ 33, 248.94</u>

Reserve Funds Financial Report for September 2021

Available Funds as of January 1, 2021

\$34, 858.65	
Income	\$ 3.48 (interest)
Expenditures	\$ 7, 246. 15
YTD Expenses	\$128, 187.82

Communications: Roberta Havholm reported. September Murmurs were delayed due to missing items, and were delivered to Mark Jobe on Friday, October 15th.

Maintenance & Greens: Scott Kreckman reported. Contractor will be done on October 29th, and we anticipate signing him to a new contract in the spring. The dumpster at the pool will be moved to the back of the lot on October 29th, and service will be paused beginning Nov 9th.

Infrastructure: Larry Ford reported. Largest expenses not anticipated until 2023 with Tot Lots. We will need to pursue.

Pool: Jesse Morgan reported. Pool lights have a short and there are some outstanding plumbing issues we will seek quotes for. Needed electrical work to install water fountain and fix outstanding issues came to a quote of \$3688.00-will require a Board vote. Also looking toward next year-the lap pool will require repainting (\$24, 000), and the L-pool pumps will need reworked and replaced (\$9, 989.00). Pool season was

a successful one; a season by the numbers will be separately published in the Murmurs.

Scott Kreckman moved to approve the electrical work at \$3688.00, Roberta Havholm seconded.

VOTE 8-0

Recreation: No report

Activities:

Autumn

- Fright Night October 29th at Sheds
- Halloween Parade October 30th (Gazebo and Forest Ridge Boulevard)
- Halloween decoration clean-up and Christmas decorating day will be scheduled.

Winter

- Christmas Light Fight Preliminary Judging 18-19 Dec (Online)
- Luminaries will be done again, collections have begun
- Christmas Party December 11

Audit: Steve Weiser reported. Finally was able to contact our Auditors and has a meeting this week to discuss tax fine issue.

Elections: Larry Ford reported. Voting results: Reserve Funding was approved. Roberta Havholm, Frank Semmelmayer, and Faith Richardson were all voted in as new members.

Old Business: Steve and Tabitha will exchange needed information in order to close Huntington account and transfer funds. Board reviewed potential 2022 Budget line by line based on previous expenses and anticipated expenses.

Scott Kreckman moved to approve budget as amended by Board through discussion, Frank Semmelmayer seconded. **VOTE 8-0** Budget will be submitted to Towne, and published at the beginning of the year

Resident's Questions and Concerns: Maria Ford attended the Open house on the City of Dayton's new Neighborhood Safety Plan effort. Each Dayton neighborhood will need to submit their top 5 safety concerns to the Department-HOA will most likely be responsible for curating this list. It is not a final document, and is open to being changed at any time. This document will be used to create a dialogue between each neighborhood and the Dayton Police to develop a plan on how to best address concerns. Also, if anyone in the neighborhood has a non-emergency issue, they can contact Lt Keller (937-333-7448).

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

AMERICORPS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

My name is Colette Looney and I grew up in Forest Ridge. I lived on Beach Haven Ct. off Cozycroft until I was 12, and then my family moved to Corkwood Dr. and I was so excited because we got to live on the street that had the sidewalk connection to the Forest Ridge pool! My grandmother still lives on Sweetbirch Dr. and I take my daughter trick-or-treating through the neighborhood every year.

Now as an adult, I still really cherish the neighborhood and even though I do not reside here, I want to work to do something good within the Forest Ridge community. Icurrently work as a Volunteer Coordinator for AmeriCorps Seniors, the sister program to AmeriCorps. Forest Ridge has always housed military families from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and one of our organization's goals is to find ways to serve retired military and veterans through volunteer work. One of the ways we fill this need is through our Senior Companion program which provides companionship to seniors through volunteering with the RSVP program of Montgomery and Greene Counties.

I am writing this article in the Murmurs to see if there are individuals interested in getting this program going throughout the neighborhood to reestablish old connections and create new ones for the neighborhood since the pandemic has started. There are many retired folks that want to stay in their home in Forest Ridge and could use some neighborly support. All volunteers are registered with our organization and receive a federal background check. Those who may drive for their senior companions can receive mileage reimbursement. Since Covid-19 is still affecting older populations, companion volunteering can be over the phone. Even if you are not retired military and you are interested in volunteering or being paired with a senior companion, AmeriCorps Seniors would be more than happy to welcome you to the program!

Please contact me at <u>clooney@fcsserves.org</u> or 937.225.9999 ext. 2 If you are interested in volunteering or are interested in having a companion.

TREATS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

From: "Hamilton, Christine" <<u>Christine.Hamilton@daytonohio.</u> gov>

Date: November 15, 2021 at 12:26:27 PM EST To: Sue Hanley <<u>mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net</u>> Subject: RE: Treats for First Responderd

Awesome! Thank you so much.

Christine Hamilton Community Engagement Officer Dayton Police Department East Patrol Operations Division 2721 Wayne Ave Dayton, Ohio 45420 Office 937.333.7431 I Fax 937.234.1508 I www.daytonohio.gov

-----Original Message-----

From: Sue Hanley <<u>mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net</u>> Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 12:25 PM To: Hamilton, Christine <<u>Christine.Hamilton@daytonohio.gov</u>> Subject: Treats for First Responderd

The goodies will be delivered on December 13th and will include both purchased and home made items. Delivery will be to Wayne Ave and Helena St.

Thanks Susan Hanley

Sue,

Thank you so much! We really appreciate all the time and effort that goes into this! Also, thank you for the continued support for us as well as the fire department.

Thanks,

Ofc. Nick Toscani Patrol Division Riverside Police Dept. (937)233-1801 Ext 822 Ntoscani@riversideoh.gov

From: Sue Hanley <mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net> Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 12:22:29 PM To: Nick Toscani <NToscani@riversideoh.gov> Subject: Treats for First Responders

These will be delivered on December 13 and will include both purchased and homemade items. Could you please pass this on to the Fire Station on Harshman

Thanks Susan Hanley. 937-236-7141 Forest Ridge association



CHRISTMAS LIGHT FIGHT 2021 EDITION



Residents of Forest Ridge,

The 2021 Christmas Light Fight will be returning this year! There are 3 categories; Inflatables, Seen From Space, and Grand Champion. Signups will be done on signup genius and will be live soon. You must sign up to be considered for any category! Preliminary Judging will be December 18th and 19th so make sure your decorations are up and lit those nights if you enter! We will announce the winners after all judging is completed and awards will be handed out. The Grand Champion will also receive a metal plaque to display proudly for years to come. Previous year's winners cannot win in consecutive years, but that doesn't mean we don't want to see last year's winners up their game!

Keep an eye out for the link to signup genius on Facebook and Nextdoor in the coming days!

Thanks, Activities Committee While we have had some very generous donations for the Treats for First Responders Project at this late date we are still in need of certain items. I don't know if it is Covid, the increase in price of items or the fact that we have so many new residents who are not aware of the unique thing we do every Christmas season.

Treats for First Responders

We still need the following: a volunteer Santa available on December 13th. Bottles of water, bags of oranges and apples, pre-packaged snacks, napkins and paper plates and homemade goodies.

Also \$\$\$ which can be delivered to 4073 Quailbush . This will help buy missing items for the baskets.

Delivery dates to the above address are December 11th from 10-noon and December 12th from noon-2. We deliver to 5 stations so please divide your donations into 5 pkgs.

Questions: mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net or 937-236-7141.

Thanks to all of you who have been so generous. May you have a happy and fun filled holiday season.

WHEN DELIVERING PLEASE DO NOT RING THE DOOR BELL! OUR 150 POUND NEWFIE THINKS HE IS THE GUARDIAN OF THE STREET. There is a green bench on the porch where you may leave items.

Sue Hanley





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FREE Hanging Folders with tabs - I have about 150-200 hanging folders I don't need but hate to throw away. Need some? Call 937-233-0241.

"Hangin With My Homies": I offer a unique service to pet, plant, and house sit while you are away. I live in the Forest Ridge area and charge fair prices. Please email me for more information at: hanginwithmyhomies21@gmail.com.

Yarn needed: Do you have yarn you're not going to use? A resident is crocheting afghans for the homeless. Drop your unused yarn at the little green library box or the green bench at 4073 Quailbush. Thanks in advance.



ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS:

If you have moved in during the year, you have the opportunity to receive a welcome packet. This packet has lots of useful information in it which can help you get your "bearings" a little sooner, and with less effort. When a house is sold, we can easily find out who is there and when they got there. When a rental property has new tenants, it is much more difficult for the Welcome Committee to get that information. New to the area? Need information? Send Maria Ford a private message on NextDoor.





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