

Minutes of June 19, 2023, Meeting- Forest Lakes Club

Chairman Jeff Vincent called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. Members of the board present included Debbie Devenny, Gary Branning, Greg Smith and Bernie Bukowski. Jared McCall and Joe Watkins were unable to attend. Also present were members Karen Perl and Joann Smith.

Treasurer's Report as of June 19, 2023

We currently have \$36,969.26 in the special assessment account, \$10,873.71 in the Byram Twp., escrow account, \$31,515.79 in the dam assessment account, \$34,517.71 in the MMF and \$163,244.80 in the operating account for a total of \$277,121.73.

A motion was made by Gary Branning and seconded by Debbie Devenny to accept the minutes of the May 8, 2023; meeting as read. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion

Board member Greg Smith updated the board on the status of the Farmland Assessment. He and Dorothy Gorman met with our forester and our 2024 application was approved. A copy was delivered to the Byram Twp., tax accessor and another copy was mailed to the U.S. Forestry Service on Rt. 206 in Andover, New Jersey 07821.

Our Forester advised us that it has been 10 years since our last plan and we need to have a new one prepared this fall.

The board approved an estimate for clearing the vegetation on the dam as required by our agreement with NJ Dam Safety. The vegetation will be cleared sometime in June weather permitting. We also need small trees removed as well as some of the common reed at the bottom of the dam.

Gary Branning spoke with the owner of Samurai Roofing and was able to get a price adjustment of \$650.00. A motion was made by Debbie Devenny and seconded by Gary Branning to accept the estimate from Samurai Roof. The motion was passed unanimously.

There was a lengthy discussion of the playground equipment at Main Beach and Cove Beach. There are a couple of issues with the equipment which will be addressed immediately.

There is a large rock at main beach which needs to be spray painted so that it is more visible.

The new docks at Cove Beach we delivered and the swim team is delighted.

The summer News Bole is in production and expected to be emailed to the membership shortly.

There was a discussion of "email alerts". We only pay \$13.00 per month for our email alerts. We need to limit the number of emails we send out or the cost will go up significantly.

Discussion (Cont.).

There was a brief discussion of the potholes at the entrance to Forest Lakes. Unfortunately, the board hasn't been able to get the cooperation of the other parties involved and resolve the issue.

Jeff Vincent advised the board that the Forest Lakes Club at the entrance is very dirty. He is looking into methods to clean it without damaging it.

Recent repairs:

All the screen in the French Doors at the clubhouse were replaced.

The toilet seat in the men's room was replaced.

The SS Zack was repair.

A motion was made by Gary Branning and seconded by Debbie Devenny to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.