

Minutes of the July 18, 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, Bernie Bukowski, Gary Branning, Jared McCall and Greg Smith. Joe Watkins was unable to attend the meeting. (Please see attached list of members who attended the meeting).

Treasurer's Report as of July 18, 2023

We currently have \$37,569.26 in the special assessment account, \$10,873.71 in the Byram Twp. escrow account, \$31,515.79 in the dam assessment account, \$138,218.64 in the operating account and \$34,517.17 in the MMF for a total for \$252,694.57.

A motion was made by Debbie Devenny and seconded by Gary Branning to approve the minutes of the June meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion

Jeff Vincent read the swim test guidelines and opened the meeting for public discussion of the guidelines.

Some members stated that there were inconsistencies in the guidelines and others stated that the swim test should be administered more quickly.

Board member Gary Branning said that the guidelines must be followed and who is tested is at the discretion of the guards.

The guidelines will be discussed further at the upcoming work sessions.

The roof was replaced at the beach house and we are waiting for estimate for gutters.

The vegetation around the dam was removed and we will be taking some small trees down in the fall after the leaves are down.

The timeline for the boat project was discussed.

The large rock at main beach was painted a bright red.

The Regatta was a huge success and the board and the members present thanked the staff.

Jodi Ciaraffo would like the board to look into the cost of purchasing and planting a shade tree at Harbor View Beach.

Jeff Vincent and Karen Perl discussed cleaning the sign at the entrance on Rt. 206.

There was a discussion of possibly purchasing playground equipment. Some of the members present will be looking into the cost and fundraising.

Discussion (Cont.)

An email blast will be sent out to members in the late summer and early fall to make sure that members living across from the lake do not dispose of their leaves or grass clippings on club property.

Communication with members was again discussed. The board feels that it has greatly improved with email blasts, Facebook posts and keeping the website up to date.

There was also a brief discussion of mandatory membership and the recurring potholes at the entrance on Forest Lakes Dr. The board is considering contacting Peter Kellogg, the owner of the white professional building currently used as a day care center.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.