

## **Minutes of the August 14, 2023, Meeting – Forest Lakes Club**

Debbie Devenny called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. Members of the board present included Bernie Bukowski, Gary Branning and Greg Smith. Jared McCall, Jeff Vincent and Joe Watkins were unable to attend. Members Karen Perl, Joanne Smith, Katie Trowbridge and Cindy Mathews were also present.

### **Treasurer's Report**

We currently have \$28,869.26 in the special assessment account, \$10,873.71 in the Byram Twp. escrow account, \$31,515.79 in the Dam Assessment account, \$120,988.63 in the operating account and \$34,517.17 in the MMF for a total of \$226,764.56.

A motion was made by Gary Branning and seconded by Greg Smith to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2023, meeting as read. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Discussion**

Member Karen Perl expressed concern that residents along Forest Lakes Dr. near Cove Beach were parking on the lake side of the road and possibly endangering the buffer between the road and the lake. Greg Smith mentioned in Byram township you are allowed to park on the street but not on private property.

Cleaning the Forest Lakes sign at the Rt. 206 entrance to the lake was discussed. The company that made the sign will be contacted to determine the best way to clean the sign without any further damage.

There was discussion on non-member interactions on the beach. The beach staff has had more interactions with non-members this summer than ever before. The non-members are more aggressive and are not easily removed from the beach.

There was also a lengthy discussion of Airbnb's in the lake. Members under 65 must be with their guests and non-members cannot advertise access to the beach for their renters. The board will contact our attorney and have a letter written to the members/non-members who are renting their homes and remind them of our rules.

There was a discussion of the dead trees on lakefront property and odd lots. Dorothy Gorman will be setting up a meeting with Doug Vetter to meet with Greg Smith and evaluate the trees on club property and decide which trees need to be taken down.

Gutters are needed for the beach house and estimates will be obtained.

### **Follow-ups**

Boats – Greg Smith reported that the inventory of unregistered boats has declined significantly and he plans on taking another inventory in the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of September.

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Potholes – The board will try to contact Peter Kellogg directly and discuss the potholes in the parking area adjacent to his property.

Playground equipment - Members Katie Trowbridge and Cindy Mathews are interested in upgrading the playground equipment at both main and Cove. They plan on looking into options for the board's review.

The board will discuss playground equipment at their next work session in September.

A motion was made by Debbie Devenny and seconded by Bernie Bukowski to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.