

FLOA Board & Community Meeting for September 19th 2026, 2PM

Agenda/Minutes

Board Members in Attendance

Cal Phillips, Dino Cerchie, Scott Keele, Linda Curry, Rhonda Walters, Penny Jones, Ron Williams

Board Members Absent

Shari Massion, Helen Krsul

Cal welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2pm sharp with the Pledge of allegiance.

Black Mesa Ranger District – Sheep Timber Sale Details

Keith Gustafson, timber management officer, reported that the south side of Forest Lakes has 1500 acres of 5-24” trees being harvested, put into slash piles, material put through grinder, and hauled to the biomass facility to be turned into energy. The 3-year service contract expires Dec 31, 2027 but will likely complete this winter. Cost is approximately \$1000+/acre. Trees marked orange are to be left in the forest. Over half the acres have time restrictions due to wildlife protection. This project improves our fire risk, mitigation and tree health. Keith showed a map of their 5-year plan thru 2030. Loggers will be using Merzville to get to the site. Some prescribed burns may happen post-project which may get rid of some of the smaller ~2” trees.

Secretary’s Report

Linda Curry gave the secretary’s report from the August 2026 meeting.

Rhonda Walters made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Ron Williams 2nd the motion. All Ayes- No Nays, motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report - Dino Cerchie gave the Treasurer’s report showing

Labor Day Results:

Rummage Sale	\$27,190
Pancake Breakfast	\$1814
Bake Sale	\$1453
Total	\$30,457

2026 Financial Review:

Delta Income:	\$35,220
Delta Expenses	\$10,710

Total Budget Delta: \$45,930

Upscopes \$45,985*

*These were new items for the community center and efforts to benefit the entire community. The objective is always to push the budget delta back into the community.

Year-End Projection:

With a current balance of **\$62,422**, and the following upcoming expenses: gazebos concrete (9K), sidewalk (1.7K), replacement tent tops (\$510), emergency CD funds (5K)**, and Fire Analysis Plan (10K), we expect a year-end balance of **\$13,046**

**Emergency funds may be required for heavy storm activity. The brick sale funds will go toward this fund and will likely exceed the \$5K.

Linda Curry moved to approve the Treasurers Report, Rhonda Walter 2nd the motion. All Ayes – No Nays and the motions carried.

Committee Reports

Labor Day Rummage Sale

With Shari's absence today, Cal read a letter that Shari wrote thanking all the volunteers and the community for their support. Shari gave a special thanks to Scott Keele and Rosanne Smith, for putting up tents, making shelves and more.

Cal presented Cheryl Thompson, Lloyd Thompson, Vickie Sullivan, Debbie Flanigan, Sheree Perry, and Faye Hubele with gift cards from FLOA for all their hard work and dedication.

After Labor Day, the work didn't cease as volunteers packed up items for Valley Big Brother/ Big Sister's among other charities including Sunshine Acre's, Timeout Women's Shelter, Pet Rescue in Mesa, and Navajo Nation. Our community efforts are extending far beyond Forest Lakes.

Moving forward, Cheryl Thompson, Lloyd Thompson, Debbie Flanigan, and Vickie Sullivan will be taking over the rummage sales. We thank them for taking on this endeavor for the community.

Labor Day Pancake Breakfast

Scott Keele reported the pancake breakfast went well. Thanks to all the volunteers. It was a great weekend.

Bake Sale

Cal (Patti) Phillips reported the bake sale made a record of over \$1400. Doris Barr, Joni Pepe and Sheree Perry helped Patti with the bake sale. Thanks to all that contributed and bought our yummy goodies.

Highway Cleanup

September 10th was the final Highway Cleanup for the season. Cindy and Kevin Waite led this effort with 29 volunteers participating. We collected 25 bags for ADOT. Thanks to all that volunteered.

Appreciation Dinner and Dance

Tonight is our FLOA appreciation dinner and dance at 5pm (dinner) and 6pm (dance). Heidi is catering the event with a delicious 80's wedding dinner: salad, chicken piccata, beef tips in red wine sauce, vegetable medley, mashed potatoes, rolls, and a chocolate waterfall for dessert. Heidi will not disappoint. Come out and enjoy the fun.

Legacy Patio

Dino Cerchie reported that brick orders 4, and 5 are due next week (4800 lbs of bricks coming in). We plan to lay out the patio in the Q for folks to see prior to installation. About 20 brick spots are still available. Order before December 2026 to get your brick included in this patio.

Facilities

Ron Williams reported that we hope to prep the legacy patio starting Sep 20th. He is currently confirming the fascia bid on the clubhouse.

Cal reported two new gazebos have arrived and two more coming next week. Assembly will begin next week and installation before the snow arrives.

Neighborhood Communications

Cal Phillips reported that Dave Gardner continues working on the portable communications system. Dino reported that Dave has a new app he will introduce to make the system more usable. If you have a licence to transmit, you will be able to transmit via your phone to his base station and then to the repeater from anywhere in the country. Stay tuned. There is a radio page on the FLOA.CLUB website for more information. Find this on the Forest Lakes GMRS Repeater (Call Sign WRVM208). The library has more radios for \$25.

New Business

FLOA.Club Website

The Camera's link shows our Forest Lakes snow cam along with other live videos of traffic cameras on the way to Forest Lakes from the valley to see road conditions. Check it out on FLOA.CLUB ("more" tab, cameras)!

FLOA Director Election Committee Report

Three FLOA board positions are up this year. Two positions are rerunning leaving one open position to fill Scott Keele's spot. Shane Williams is the only candidate running for the open spot. Scott asked if anyone from the floor would like to run for the board the mandatory three times. No one from the floor accepted the request. Scott moved to approve Shane Williams as a new board member. Welcome Shane!!

After a short recess, the board came back and reported our new Vice President is Penny Jones. The other officer positions will remain the same: Cal Phillips as President, Dino Cerchie as Treasurer, and Linda Curry as Secretary.

Other Items

Drawing for 260 Roadhouse Certificates: September meeting winners include:

Rebecca Johnson
Cheryl Rogers
Dave Turner
Joe/Susie Newell
Donna Brunton
Lee Noblitt
Kathy Tsokas
Pete Stevens
Dwayne Clark
Louise Laughlin

Door Prize: Awarded to Ruth Martin winning the rake. Congrats!

Quilt Drawing: The end-of-season quilt drawing was won by Lyndsey Turnage. Congratulations Lyndsey!

Community Reports

Garden Club - Katie Root thanked FLOA and the community for supporting the garden club and for their generosity. Katie thanked several individuals for donating plants and their time to help make our club successful.

Fire Auxiliary Report - Scott Keele reported the auxiliary donated \$15,000 to the fire department along with a confidential \$50,000 donation. This will go toward the drone program.

Fire District - Chief Rodrequiz reported a motor vehicle accident near Heber-Overgaard where a family of four lost their lives. There is a Gofundme page for this family. The fire department also reported a cabin fire. A resident thanked the Chief for looking out for our community and monitoring lightning strikes.

Water District - (not present)

Library Auxiliary - (not present)

Sheriff - (not present)

County - Dan, who does the community road grading, mentioned there is housing being built on the county lot (Old Rim and Merzville) for county workers to stay in when needed.

Public Comments

- APS Backup Power Station is on hold due to the unsuccessful backup station installed in Young. APS has done a good job cleaning out trees to help keep our power on.

After a 10 minute break the Firewise Update will begin.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 PM.