## Forest Lakes Owners Association Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting Saturday September 21,2024, at the Forest Lakes

## **Community Center – 2:00pm**

Board Members in Attendance – Judy Nelson, Cal Phillips, Dino Cerchie, Rhonda Walters, Scott Keele, Shari Massion, Donna Brunton, Ron Williams

Board Members Absent - James DePriest

Judy welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2:04pm with the Pledge of allegiance.

Chief Rodriguez came to give a report from the Fire District. Chief reported the call volume is down this year quite significantly. He attributed this to the road construction on AZ State Route 260 and the paving of the 300 Rd from Woods Canyon Lake turn Off to Bear Canyon Lake turn Off. It will be wonderful when complete but, in the meantime, people visiting the area is down, call volume is down and transports are down. What that could mean is service cuts, and operating revenue may be down. By law the Fire Department cannot operate in the red. They are stretching their budget as far as they can, but they may need to make some adjustments or cuts. The Forest Service has advised there will be some prescribed burns coming up and there may be smoke.

He advised the Southside thinning project is scheduled to be happen in the next 2-3 years.

Secretary's Report – Rhonda Walters reported the August Board Meeting Minutes are online and have been distributed to all of the FLOA Board Members. Shari Massion moved to approve the August minutes as written and Ron Willims 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All Ayes – No Nayes The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Dino Cerchie showed on the big screen the treasurer's report. FLOA is doing great between fund raisers, membership drive and donations we are way ahead of the projected amount for 2024. Dino projects will be approximately \$30K - \$35K ahead of the projected amount by the end

of the season. Rhonda Walters moves to accept the Treasurers Report as written Scott Keele 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All Ayes – No Nayes. The motion passed.

Another great year from our generous residents of Forest Lakes. We discussed possibly purchasing another CD with our profits. We decided to table that discussion until the next work session.

Facilities Report – Cal Phillips reported the map kiosk was finally rebuilt! Richard Ostemeier, Steve Schaider, Kevin Waite and Cal Phillips did a great job rebuilding and installing the original map and is back in place. This has been a long project and is now complete due to some great volunteers! It should be completed next week.

Stirling fence has also started the construction of the new privacy fence on the North side of the complex. It should be completed next week.

Events Report – Scott Keele reported the 50's Dinner and Dance is tonight starting at 6pm.

Scott reported the FLOA house may be open longer this year! There is more interest in a longer season and the FLOA house has to be available for the Election in November so we may as well use it and enjoy some activities. They are thinking maybe a Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving Potluck and maybe even a Holiday party! Stay Tuned for more info!

## President's Report -

The Fall Highway clean up is cancelled due to the highway construction. Judy and Frank Summers will be leaving us in the future and will be stepping down from coordinating the highway clean up. They have found the new coordinator's – Cindy and Steve Schaider. Thank you, Cindy and Steve, for stepping up to volunteer!

Judy reported the FLOA website is hit about 1492 in the last month. That is about normal, keep checking it out to see what's new! Our website is performing at 87% - great job Judy!

Membership is doing great this year! We have 574 members for the 2024 season. 2022 we had 571 members; in 2023 we did not send out the actual mailer just the email blast and the membership was down to 429. We are back up and so excited.

There is a temporary comprehensive advisory group invited by the Board of Supervisors to represent the diversity of the County. Their role is to advise recommendations update the goals and purposes of the County through 2025. It is a 6 month commitment, Judy was one of 8 people invited to be on this board, Congratulations Judy. Forest Lakes will now have a representative at the County!

Weather Station – Dino Cerchie gave some exciting news regarding our new weather station. We had originally agreed to the air quality sensor and Forest Lakes is represented! Go to purpleair.com and you can see the air quality in the Forest Lakes area. The closest one prior to us putting this in was Show Low or Scottsdale! It also shows up on "Watch Duty". Someone suggested we have a full-blown weather station in Forest Lakes. FLOA will be taking over the website ForestLakesWeather.com. The resident that had the website and snowstick is ready to give that to FLOA! The actual sensor for the weather station will be set up at the Fire Department as it needs to be above the treetops, be set up in an open area, have internet and a backup generator. All of the data will be sent to the weather underground. There is so much information we can add to the Forestlakesweather.com page! Cal Phillips moved to allow Dino to proceed and spend the \$2400 now with the knowledge there will be additional proceeds, approx. \$1900 each year to keep the equipment current and functional. Shari Massion 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All Ayes – No Nayes the motion passed.

Election of the Members to Board Of Directors –

Cal Philips, Vice President and Nominating Committee Chair

The Board members whose terms are ending - Judy Nelson, Shari Massion, and James DePriest

Nominees for the 2025 Open positions – Penny Jones, Helen Krsul and Shari Massion

Cal asked for any additional nominees from the floor that are not already on the ballot and interested in running. No additional nominations.

Cal reported per our bylaws with only 3 candidates he can move to accept the three candidates running. Congratulations to Shari Massion, Penny Jones and Helen Krusl! We welcome you to the 2025 Board of Directors.

The 2025 Officers adjourned and went to the corporate office to determine positions on the Board.

Cal Phillips – President

Scott Keele – Vice President

Rhonda Walters - Secretary

Dino Cerchie - Treasurer

Members at Large -

Shari Massion

**Donna Brunton** 

Ron Williams

Penny Jones

Helen Krusl

Congratulations to the NEW 2025 Forest Lakes Owners Association Board of Directors!

The Quilters club raffle for the beautiful 2024 quilt goes to – Judy Farr!

Judy gave out extraordinary volunteer awards to Judy and Frank Summers, Helen Noyes, Kris Schack, Patti Phillips, and Roseann Smith. We have so many volunteers that help each year! We thank all of you!

Meeting adjourned at 3:21pm