

**FLOA meeting minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting Saturday
May 20, 2023 at the Forest Lakes Community Center**

Board Members in attendance – Judy Nelson, Quentin Tolby, Shane Williams, Cal Phillips, Donna Brunton, Shari Massion, James DePriest, Ron Williams and Rhonda Walters

Board Members Absent – none

The Board President, Judy Nelson, called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance and “Armed Forces Commemoration” honoring our local veterans.

Judy discussed the most recent communication with the Coconino County Park & Recs department regarding the proposed park at Merzville and AZ260. The board has reviewed the most recent letter sent from the Parks and Rec department discussing much different terms and expenses than originally sent. The board has voted and decided to not take the Park & Rec’s department up on their offer to build a park. The costs that FLOA would be responsible for were substantially higher than the original estimate and included much more upkeep and maintenance than we felt the community could handle.

The Secretary minutes from the September 2022 were approved. Shane Williams moved to accept them and Cal Phillips 2nd the motion.

Shane Williams presented the Treasurers Report and the proposed 2023 Budget. Shane explained why the board believes it would be a good idea to open a Money market account/saving account that earns interest with the money put aside for an emergency fund. The Report was approved. Shane Williams moved to accept the report and Cal Phillips 2nd the motion.

Facilities-

Cal Phillips discussed the improvements made since the board meeting in September 2022 and some of the proposed projects for 2023. Some of these include new lighting in the house, outlets installed on the exterior of the Mack Shack, new shed and shelving put in, redo the cement area outside the front door of the house, and more. The board approved a budget of \$20K for maintenance and improvements to the community center last fall.

Activity/Events Report

Rummage Sale – Shari Massion reported the sale will run Friday – Sunday. Friday and Saturday regular price, Sunday 8am – 12 pm will be 50% off, 12pm – 1pm will be \$1. Shari has a person lined up to take everything left at the sale for \$200, this is great news as the volunteers will not have to pack, load and get rid of all the leftover stuff.

Pancake Breakfast – Shane Williams gave us a report saying all the consumables are already at the Mack Shack except the eggs which will be brought up to Forest Lakes by Quentin Tolby. He said he has most of his volunteers already on the sign up sheet, there are a few positions open. The pricing changed this year to \$5 a person no matter the age..

Bake Sale – Shane Williams gave us a report on the bake sale asking for donations. The usual volunteers will be out of town this year but Shane has found replacement volunteers. The bake sale brought in over \$1,000 last year!

Fabulous 4th will be held on the Holiday Tuesday July 4th. Shari Massion has games, booths, watermelon eating contest, face painting, balloon animals, etc planned. She put out a call for volunteers to help run the booths.

Community Markets – 1st Saturday of the month, June 3rd, July 1st, and Aug 5th from 9am – 1pm. Kris Schack will be the new coordinator of this event. At this point we have about 15-20 vendors signed up, Scott Wullkotte committed for music, we still need a food truck!

Semi- Annual Highway Clean-Up is coordinated by Judy Summers. The next clean-up will on Thursday June 1st. Judy told everyone just show up at the community center and they will disperse the volunteers to different sections of the highway. Scott Keele and Shane Williams will host the volunteer breakfast after the event at the community center.

Quentin Tolby wanted to give a shout out to Hickman Farms as they donate the eggs for the pancake breakfast every year for approximately the last 10 years. The board acknowledged this is a big part of how we can keep our breakfast cost down to \$5.

Judy Nelson gave a membership update. This year we are trying to go paperless and have everyone register online at Floa.club, there is a very simple payment button. This will save FLOA quite a bit of money on paper, envelopes, and postage. So far it has worked pretty well but we are down in memberships from last year. We will try and get the word out at each community event.

Public Comments –

Patty Phillips wanted to enlighten everyone as to how the history room is set up, encourage all to look and enjoy the room.

Patti Phillips also encouraged everyone to enjoy some of the activities happening at the community center this summer. These activities are on the FLOA calendar which can be found at Floa.club. Some fun activities are Ladies Cards, Bunko, Game Night, meetings and more, come on out and have some fun!

Dennis Massion wanted to remind everyone of the Fire Auxiliary Ice Cream Social on Sunday 5/28/23 from 2-4 at the fire station. New 2023 t-shirts will be debuted and sold. He also informed us all we have a new deputy in town, Abel Ballesteros. Welcome Abel.

Joan Lebigot inquired on the status of internet at the community center. Currently there is not a concrete plan to pay for internet at the community center.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:11pm.

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Walters, secretary.

The next meeting will be on Saturday June 17, 2023 at 2pm at the Community Center House.